

Strategic Plan 2023-2028

Mission

Southeastern Community College provides accessible, quality programs and services which promote student success and economic vitality.

Vision

Southeastern Community College, a visionary leader in lifelong learning, embraces diversity, transforms lives, strengthens communities, and inspires individuals to excellence.

Values

Excellence: we are committed to the highest standards in all aspects of teaching, learning, and service.

Integrity: we encourage honesty, respect and personal accountability among and between students, staff, and stakeholders.

Stewardship: we are effective and vigilant stewards of our financial, physical, and human resources.

Continuous Improvement: we promote evidence-based decisions and systems within a culture of empowerment and teamwork.

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Strategic Goal 1 - Promote Student Success

Strategy #1: Exercise strategic enrollment management

- Initiative #1 Implement and maintain a Student Recruitment Plan
- Initiative #2 Implement and maintain a Student Retention Plan
- Initiative #3 Develop an Athletic Program Growth Plan
- Initiative #4 Increase housing options

Strategy #2: Improve Persistence and Completion through Guided Pathways

- Initiative #1 Expand use of Student Planning module
- Initiative #2 Increase tutoring support and advising including concurrent enrollment
- Initiative #3 Establish an SCC Career Services and Placement Center
- Initiative #4 Provide systematic training on student-wellbeing support methods and technical systems
- Initiative #5 Expand new student orientation options

Strategy #3: Deliver accessible, quality programming

- Initiative #1 Expand and/or develop new programs and career pathways
- Initiative #2 Expand and/or develop alternative scheduling and modality offerings
- Initiative #3 Systematically assess student learning
- Initiative #4 Implement strategies to connect adjuncts to SCC

Strategy #4: Develop student mentoring

- Initiative #1 Implement student (peer) mentorship programs
- Initiative #2 Establish an alumni mentor program

Strategy #5: Enhance student engagement, personal development, and inclusive culture

- Initiative #1 Implement and monitor tele-mental health
- Initiative #2 Expand programming for personal and social support to students utilizing external resources
- Initiative #3 Expand student activity programming
- Initiative #4 Research feasibility of a scheduled student activity hour
- Initiative #5 Promote student communication

Strategic Goal 2 - Strengthen Human, Financial, and Facility Resources

Strategy 1 – Continuously improve campus facilities

- Initiative #1 Conduct annual review of facilities and maintenance 1-year and 8-year plans
- Initiative #2 Construct new student center
- Initiative #3 Explore options for construction of safe room
- Initiative #4 Construct soccer/track complex
- Initiative #5 Research renovations for bookstore, cafeteria, student affairs offices, academic achievement center, athletic offices, Keokuk auto lab and other needs

Strategy 2 - Align college staffing, budget and related resources to match college priorities

- Initiative #1 Collaborate and gain information from our colleagues to prioritize key staffing and resource needs within PEC with available funding
- Initiative #2 Prioritize budgetary resources to align with assessment, marketing, recruitment, and retention strategies
- Initiative #3 Expand academic program reviews to optimize institutional effectiveness
- Initiative #4 Establish a compensation structure and develop an implementation plan over the next 5 years that helps to attract and retain highly qualified employees.

Strategy 3 – Increase financial resources from individuals and private/public entities

- Initiative #1 Secure additional private and public donations and grants
- Initiative #2 Expand public/private partnerships in support of college goals and objectives

Strategy 4 – Maintain/Increase affordability and access to educational opportunities

- Initiative #1 Increase scholarships aligned with enrollment strategies and targeted educational programs
- Initiative #2 Increase student completions of the SCC Foundation scholarship application

Strategic Goal 3 - Enhance Collaborative Partnerships

Strategy 1 – Develop collaborative relationships that will increase SCC enrollment

- Initiative #1 Implement a partnership with Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center
- Initiative #2 Expand Southeast Iowa Higher Education Alliance programs, services, and resources
- Initiative #3 Collaborate and support regional career academies

Strategy 2 - Enhance collaborative efforts that link K-12, community agencies, and business/industry partners to support teaching and learning

- Initiative #1 Develop industry sponsorship models
- Initiative #2 Expand work-based learning programs and IETs
- Initiative #3 Develop sector partnerships
- Initiative #4 Strengthen participation of industry on Advisory Councils
- Initiative #5 Improve high school concurrent enrollment registration process

Strategic Goal 4 - Practice Continuous Improvement

Strategy 1 – Develop annual divisional tactical plans that are aligned with the Strategic Plan

• Initiative #1 Annually assess the effectiveness of the Strategic Plan

Strategy 2 - Enhance workplace communication and culture

- Initiative #1 Facilitate communication initiatives from stakeholder input
- Initiative #2 Benchmark local workplace culture programs
- Initiative #3 Promote use of employee self-care resources
- Initiative #4 Facilitate activities to identify and reverse implicit bias
- Initiative #5 Update digital resources for easy access of information

Strategy 3 – Enhance onboarding of employees

- Initiative #1 Conduct year-round onboarding of new hires
- Initiative #2 Create cross-departmental awareness with all employees

Strategy 4 – Cultivate involvement and connections among staff and students

- Initiative #1 Provide and encourage opportunities for staff to engage with students
- Initiative #2 Provide time and opportunity to create connections among colleagues
- Initiative #3 Annually communicate common employee spaces on both campuses
- Initiative #4 Establish expectations for timely communications