

# STRATEGIC PRIORITIES | 2024-2030

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The South Dakota Board of Technical Education and the technical college system have affirmed strategic priorities centered around three pillars. The priorities and related goals are outlined below.

## Priority

# 1

### Attainment

Increasing the number of South Dakotans who attain high-quality postsecondary credentials.

**Goal** Produce **3,001** credential completers per year by 2030.

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# 2

### Affordability

Ensuring technical education in South Dakota is affordable and offers a positive return on investment.

**Goal** Maintain a **5.0 or lower** cost to earnings premium for every AAS program in the system by 2030.

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# 3

### Alignment

Preparing learners and graduates for meaningful employment and continued education opportunities.

**Goal** Increase the year five in-state placement rate to **75%** by 2030.

**Metrics** The system will track progress by defining primary and supporting metrics associated with each priority and providing annual updates on outcomes related to those metrics. The metrics are being considered and recommended by the Institutional Effectiveness Task Force.

**Connectedness** The three priorities are connected and the system must make progress in all three areas to ensure we continue to fulfill our mission of producing skilled professionals prepared to serve the people, industries and communities of South Dakota.



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