

# 2026 HIGHER EDUCATION IMPACT

## DISTRICT 7



**Sen. Warren Hamilton**  
R - McCurtain

### INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED

- ▶ Carl Albert State College
- ▶ Connors State College
- ▶ Eastern Oklahoma State College

### COUNTIES REPRESENTED

- ▶ Haskell
- ▶ Latimer
- ▶ Le Flore
- ▶ Pittsburg
- ▶ Sequoyah

### HIGHER EDUCATION IN OKLAHOMA



**Over 200,000** students enrolled annually



**Over 41,000** degrees and certificates awarded at all levels in the last academic year, and an increase of **more than 15%** over the last decade



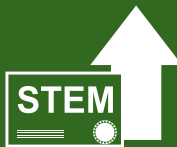
For every \$1 of state appropriations invested, the state system of higher education **yields \$17.48 in economic output.**



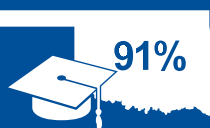
Associate and bachelor's degree holders **earn a median income 25% and 75% higher**, respectively, than those with only a high school diploma.



Data from the National Center for Education Statistics show the **cost of attendance** at Oklahoma universities is **among the lowest in the nation.**



Over the last decade, STEM degrees **increased nearly 29%** at all levels.



Our students learn here, earn here — **91%** of Oklahomans who graduate from a state system college or university remain and work in the state one year after graduation.



Of Oklahoma's 100 critical occupations, the **top 22** highest-paying jobs require an associate degree or higher, and **eight of the top 10** fastest-growing jobs require a college degree.

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## BY THE NUMBERS

### Enrollment

- ▶ During the 2024-25 academic year, 6,565 students enrolled at institutions in or adjacent to District 7.

### Graduation

- ▶ During the 2024-25 academic year, 1,089 students graduated from institutions in or adjacent to District 7.

### Oklahoma's Promise

- ▶ In District 7, 237 students from the 2025 high school graduating class qualified for the Oklahoma's Promise scholarship.
- ▶ Currently, 382 high school students in District 7 are enrolled in Oklahoma's Promise.
- ▶ Since inception in 1992, 4,268 high school students from District 7 have received the Oklahoma's Promise scholarship.
- ▶ During the 2024-25 academic year, nearly 500 students at public higher education institutions in or adjacent to District 7 received approximately \$1.4 million in scholarships from Oklahoma's Promise.

### Concurrent Enrollment

- ▶ During the 2024-25 academic year, 1,708 students enrolled in 20,426 credit hours through concurrent courses at institutions in or adjacent to District 7.