

Resolution to Redesign Remediation in Indiana

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WHEREAS, nearly a third of recent Indiana high school graduates and more than two-thirds of the state's community college require postsecondary remediation in English or mathematics;

WHEREAS, less than one in five Indiana college students in postsecondary remediation will graduate within six years;

WHEREAS, the annual cost of postsecondary remediation to Hoosier students and taxpayers is estimated to exceed \$35 million at Indiana's community college alone;

WHEREAS, Indiana's K-12 and higher education systems must strengthen efforts to reduce the number of high school graduates who require postsecondary remediation through increased academic preparation and early intervention;

WHEREAS, Indiana must promote instructional practices that reduce the time college students spend in remediation and accelerate their successful transition to college-level coursework;

WHEREAS, research has shown that many students identified as needing postsecondary remediation can succeed in credit-bearing, gateway college courses when given the opportunity and additional support;

WHEREAS, Indiana's community college has shown promising success at delivering remediation through a co-requisite model that places students in college-level courses with supplemental support; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education is committed to championing state policies and practices that increase college completion, productivity and academic quality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

- I. Early Intervention:** The Commission endorses common college-readiness standards, assessments and supplemental instruction in high school as the optimal and preferred method of ensuring students are prepared to succeed in postsecondary education;
- II. College Remediation:** The Commission endorses the co-requisite model as a statewide best practice for postsecondary remediation and affirms Ivy Tech Community College's goal of delivering 100 percent of its remedial coursework through the co-requisite model by 2014; and
- III. Comprehensive System:** The Commission is committed to developing a well-coordinated and aligned statewide remediation strategy by 2015 in partnership with the Indiana Department of Education and Indiana Department of Workforce Development that increases student success and education attainment.