

Cursory Observations of The Performance Report for Ohio's College's and Universities, 2005

- This data is being used by legislators to make important decisions, especially budgetary decisions.
- Statewide, 38% of first-time freshman took remedial courses
- Students that took the core curriculum in high school (four courses in English, math, and social studies, and at least three courses in science that include biology, chemistry, and physics) had a remedial enrollment rate of 14%.
- Colleges with a higher percent of students receiving aid than Southern State (79%)
 - Jefferson (85%)
 - Belmont (92%)
 - Central (80%)
 - Marion (81%)
 - Zane State (87%)
- SSCC serves more 1st generation students than any two-year college.
- SSCC is one of the least diverse colleges.
- Edison, Marion, and SSCC have the highest percentage of PSEO enrollment.
- 1st Year Students taking remedial courses

	South	North	Central	Fayette
Under age 20	65%	59%	67%	42%
Over age 20	35%	41%	33%	58%
- Our percentage of students graduating in two years or less is good in comparison to other colleges (25%).
- Time to completion – Non-transfer (Southern State)
 - Ag Tech – no data available
 - Business Tech – Consistent with other colleges
 - EENG - More than 4 years
 - Health Tech – Consistent with other colleges
 - Liberal arts – Highest percentage of all colleges with students getting it done in 2 years.
 - Natural Sciences – One of the highest of all colleges with students getting it done in 2 years.
- From 2000-04 Southern State is one of the top three institutions as far as the largest increase in FTE. Our rate was 45% while the state average was 30% for this time period.
- Our cost of instruction is 6th lowest in the state.

- State support of FTE has decreased 8% for SSCC from 2000-04 while our FTE enrollment has increased 45%. However, we have taken less of a hit than the majority of institutions.
- Our average class size is consistent with our peers.
- State Community Colleges have a higher percent of full-time instruction.
- Our percentage of courses taught by full-time faculty at Fayette is noticeably low.
- Hocking, JA Rhodes State, and Sinclair have the highest percentage of instruction done by full-time faculty.
- Southern State has the lowest facility utilization rate in the state for classrooms during daytime and evening hours.
- Labs at south have a fairly high utilization rate during the daytime and evening hours that is more consistent with state averages.
- SSCC had the lowest tuition increase from 2003-06.
- Our 2005 tuition increase was next to the lowest in the state (3%) – Rio Grande (2.2)
- SSCC has the 7th lowest tuition—Five colleges with lower tuition have a levy. Our tuition is still below state average.
- We provide students with more institutional grants than any two-year college.
- The percentage of SSCC students taking out loans is among the highest in the state.
- The percentage of SSCC students receiving state aid is among the highest.