



HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS – EDUCATION
AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
SB 2003
TESTIMONY

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Strategy and Priorities: Serving students today, adapting to change, planning for the longer term

- Affordability for working families (SBHE Goal 1)
- Access to rural areas in a big state (SBHE Goal 2)
- Excellence for Student Success (SBHE Goal 3)
- System Efficiencies (SBHE Goal 4)
- Research Excellence (SBHE Goal 5)

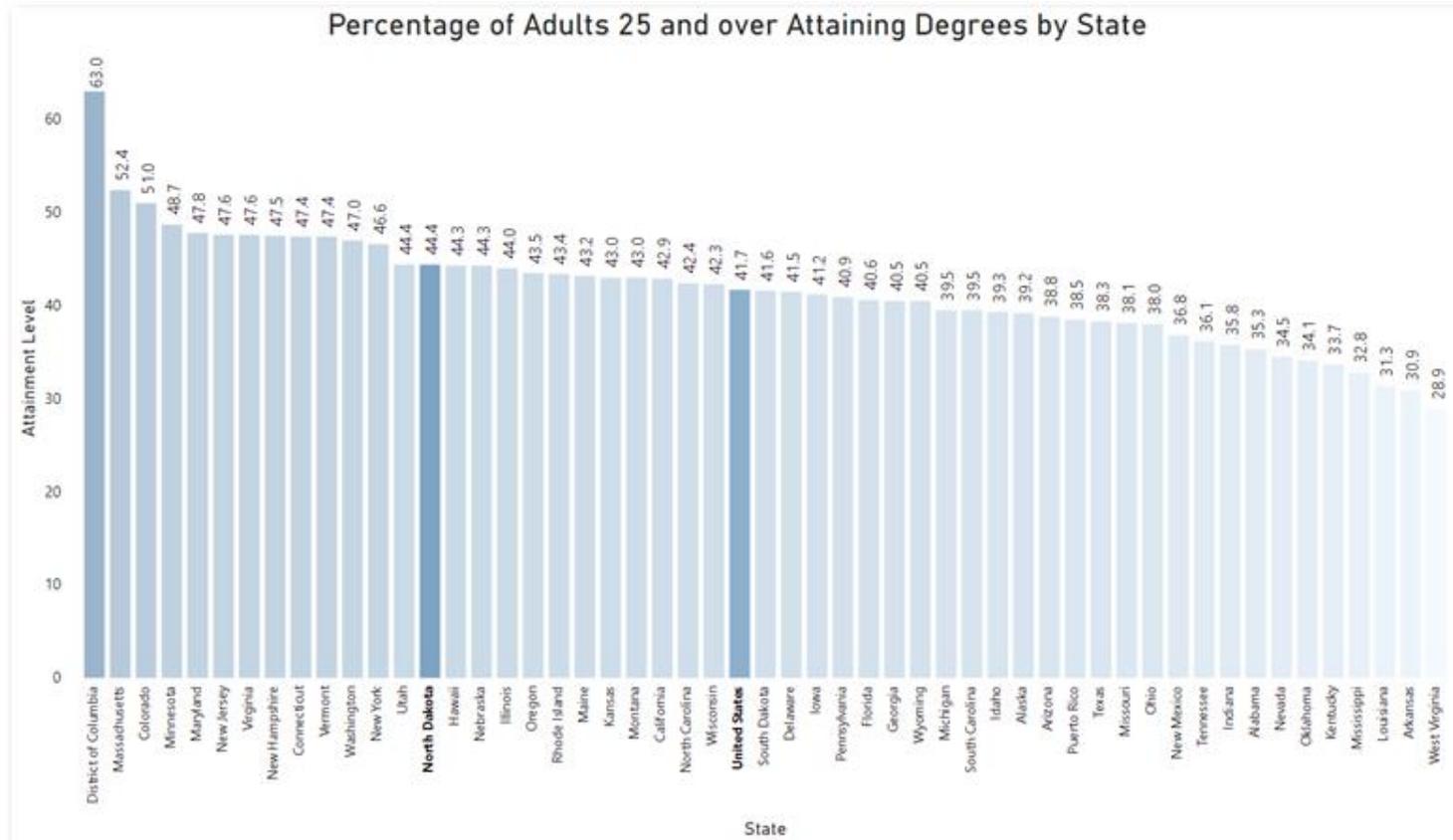
Pandemic Surge

- Provided trained nurses, lab techs, contact tracers and related personnel to serve on the frontline
- Transitioned 11,000 face-to-face courses to alternative delivery in less than two weeks during Spring 2020
- Shifted courses to hybrid instructional model using technology and enhanced instructional design
- Improved classrooms safety and air quality
- Accelerated new techniques in tele-medicine

2021-23 Strategy and Priorities

- Economic: \$5.42 billion FY 2019
- Innovation:
 - Polytechnic, Dual Mission
 - Support for open educational resources;
 - Electronic Curriculum Open Resources;
- Collaboration:
 - Tele-medicine, mental health access;
 - Dakota Digital Academy;
- Responsiveness:
 - More than 100 new certificates, dozens of new programs;
 - Expanded, high quality online programming;
- Workforce:
 - More opportunities with Career and Technical Education throughout the state;
 - Expanded access in the Dakota Nursing Program
- Improved Student Outcomes:
 - Substantial increase in Dual Credit
- Strategic Priorities:
 - Exploration of a funding stabilization mechanism for higher ed;
 - Increased support for research at our institutions;
 - Enhanced mental and behavioral health programs;
 - Salary increases for faculty/staff
 - Continued support for scholarships such as the Career Builders program

2021-23 Strategy and Priorities



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 American Community Survey

NDUS Retention and Completion rates

Retention or Completion	SAM Rate
NDUS Retention	74%
NDUS Community College Outcome	66%
NDUS Regional University Outcome	58%
NDUS Research University Outcome	75%

71%

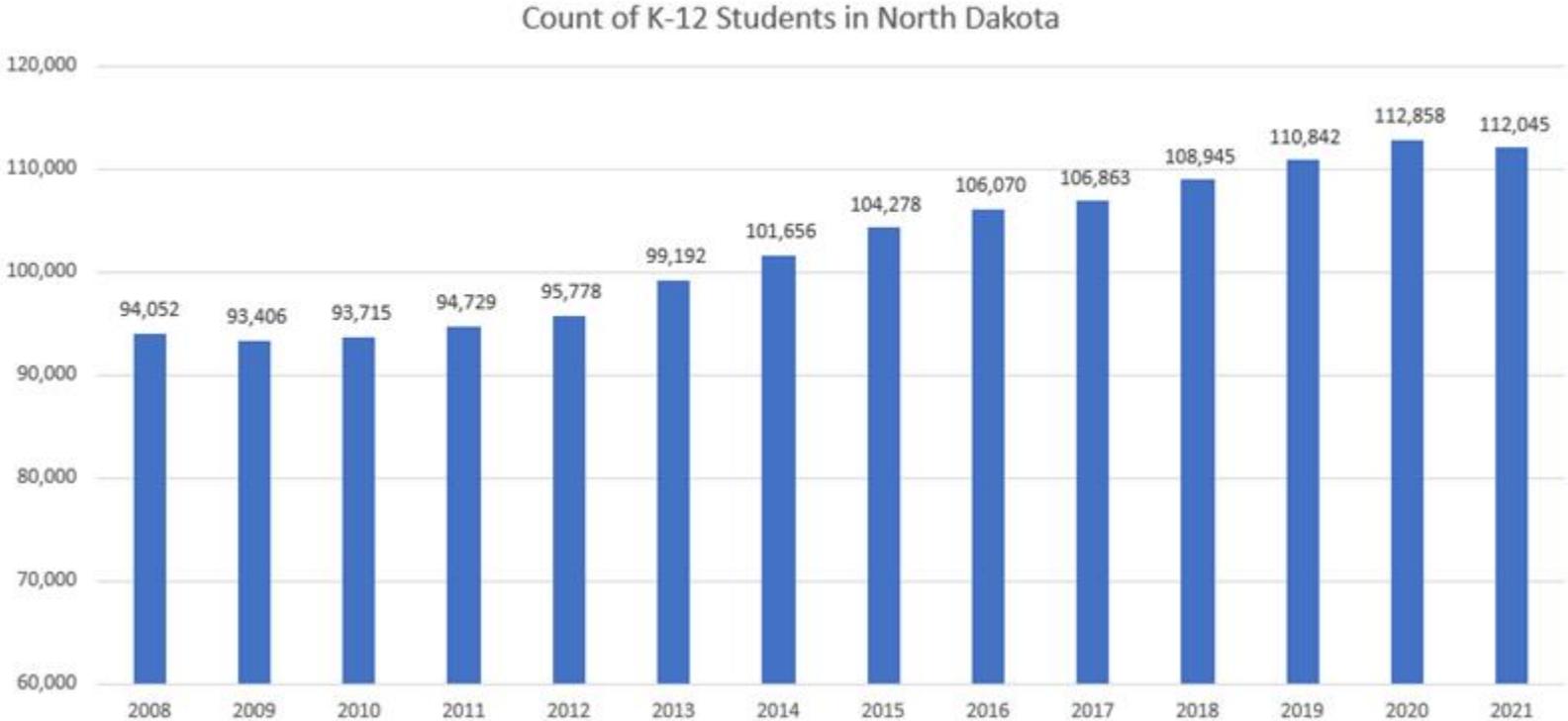
More than 7 out of 10 students who begin college at an NDUS Institution complete a degree within six years

Two NDUS community colleges were ranked in the Top 30 nationally.

(Chronicle of Higher Education, 2019 Almanac)

Growing youth population

N.D. biggest growth by 2031 *(source: WICHE)*



Focused on Cost Savings, Transformation

- Savings has been increased through innovation and public/private partnerships, including
 - ▣ OERs and OER training;
 - ▣ The Aldevron Tower addition to the NDSU College of Health Professions;
 - ▣ Training grants leveraged through the Dept. of Commerce;
 - ▣ Partnerships with Sanford Health, Cat Remanufacturing and others.
- Transformative efforts
 - ▣ Faster pathways for military students to earn degrees;
 - ▣ NSA Certification at BSC and NDSU, which elevated the digital programs at both institutions.