

## HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING AND ACCOUNTABILITY STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS

The Legislative Council, at its September 8, 2005, meeting, selected MGT of America, Inc., as the consultant for conducting the higher education funding and accountability study provided for in Section 23 of 2005 Senate Bill No. 2003. The following is a summary of the recommendations included in the final report for the higher education funding and accountability study completed by MGT of America, Inc.:

<p>North Dakota University System accountability measures</p>	<p>Establish benchmarks and goals for each measure</p> <p>Include data for each higher education institution in summary fashion in the University System annual performance and accountability report</p> <p>Reduce the number of accountability measures</p> <p>Once the number of accountability measures is reduced, retain those same measures for five or six years.</p> <p>Include a measure of faculty productivity that is appropriate for each institution</p>
<p>North Dakota University System peer institutions</p>	<p>Establish peer lists of no fewer than 15 institutions</p> <p>Use peer institutions as recommended by MGT of America, Inc., for the purposes of determining adequate funding levels for North Dakota higher education institutions. A listing of the peer institutions recommended by MGT of America, Inc., is attached as an appendix.</p>
<p>North Dakota University System long-term financing plan</p>	<p>Determine the count of students for the base funding component of the plan by using an average of the two most current years' fall enrollment--25 percent based on student headcount and 75 percent based on full-time equivalent students</p> <p>Use the peer institutions recommended by MGT of America, Inc., to update the peer funding comparisons. Keep the same set of peer institutions for at least two bienniums unless there are major changes that suggest a peer group may need revision.</p> <p>Update the data for the peer institutions by using the most current Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) data available at the time the biennial budget request is prepared.  <b>Survey the peer institutions to collect current data on appropriations and net tuition revenues for agriculture programs to ensure that valid data is available to segregate these revenues at North Dakota State University.</b></p> <p>Revise the method of allocating parity and equity so that a minimum of 80 percent of the new funding is allocated to equity and 20 percent to parity. Further, allocate 20 percent of the parity dollars in inverse proportion to the percentage of peer funding so that institutions that are the furthest from peer funding would get the greatest relative parity increase.</p> <p>Increase state funding to the University System to reach a goal of 21 percent of the state general fund budget</p> <p>Establish more realistic targets for the percentage of peer funding</p>

## HIGHER EDUCATION PEER INSTITUTIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY MGT OF AMERICA, INC.

Institution	Recommended Peer Institutions	Institution	Recommended Peer Institutions	
Bismarck State College	Athens Technical College Athens, Georgia	Lake Region State College	West Liberty State College West Liberty, West Virginia	
	Dekalb Technical College Clarkston, Georgia		South Arkansas Community College El Dorado, Arkansas	
	Marshalltown Community College Marshalltown, Iowa		Feather River Community College District Quincy, California	
	Lake Michigan College Benton Harbor, Michigan		Florida Keys Community College Key West, Florida	
	Lake Superior College Duluth, Minnesota		Southwest Georgia Technical College Thomasville, Georgia	
	Ridgewater College Willmar, Minnesota		Ivy Tech State College-Whitewater Whitewater, Indiana	
	New Mexico Junior College Hobbs, New Mexico		Northwest Iowa Community College Sheldon, Iowa	
	San Juan College Farmington, New Mexico		Cecil Community College North East, Maryland	
	SUNY College of Technology at Canton Canton, New York		Kirtland Community College Roscommon, Michigan	
	Reading Area Community College Reading, Pennsylvania		West Shore Community College Scottville, Michigan	
	Western Dakota Technical Institute Rapid City, South Dakota		Pine Technical College Pine City, Minnesota	
	Texas State Technical College-Harlingen Harlingen, Texas		Brunswick Community College Supply, North Carolina	
	Texas State Technical College-West Texas Sweetwater, Texas		Sampson Community College Clinton, North Carolina	
	Lake Washington Technical College Kirkland, Washington		Clatsop Community College Astoria, Oregon	
	Blackhawk Technical College Janesville, Wisconsin		Frank Phillips College Borger, Texas	
	Dickinson State University		California State University-Monterey Bay Monterey, California	Paul D. Camp Community College Franklin, Virginia
			Indiana University-Kokomo Kokomo, Indiana	California State University-Monterey Bay Seaside, California
			Indiana University-East Richmond, Indiana	New College of Florida Sarasota, Florida
			Purdue University-North Central Campus Westville, Indiana	Indiana University-East Richmond, Indiana
			University of Maine at Presque Isle Presque Isle, Maine	Purdue University-North Central Campus Westville, Indiana
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts North Adams, Massachusetts		Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts North Adams, Massachusetts		
University of Montana-Western Dillon, Montana		University of Maine at Fort Kent Fort Kent, Maine		
Oklahoma Panhandle State University Goodwell, Oklahoma		St. Mary's College of Maryland St. Mary's City, Maryland		
University of Pittsburgh-Bradford Bradford, Pennsylvania		University of Minnesota Crookston Crookston, Minnesota		
New College of Florida Sarasota, Florida		University of Minnesota Morris Morris, Minnesota		
University of Maine at Fort Kent Fort Kent, Maine		University of Montana-Western Dillon, Montana		
Lyndon State College Lyndonville, Vermont		Elizabeth City State University Elizabeth City, North Carolina		
Elizabeth City State University Elizabeth City, North Carolina		Central State University Wilberforce, Ohio		
Central State University Wilberforce, Ohio		Lyndon State College Lyndonville, Vermont		
			Mayville State University	

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Minot State University	University of Virginia's College at Wise Wise, Virginia
	Virginia Military Institute Lexington, Virginia
	Western Connecticut State University Danbury, Connecticut
	Eastern Connecticut State University Willimantic, Connecticut
	Southern Arkansas University Main Campus Magnolia, Arkansas
	Georgia Southwestern State University Americus, Georgia
	North Georgia College & State University Dahlonega, Georgia
	Kentucky State University Frankfort, Kentucky
	Georgia College and State University Milledgeville, Georgia
	Bemidji State University Bemidji, Minnesota
	Northwest Missouri State University Maryville, Nebraska
	Chadron State College Chadron, Nebraska
	Western New Mexico University Silver City, New Mexico
	New Jersey City University New Jersey City, New Jersey
	Eastern New Mexico University Portales, New Mexico
	New Mexico Highlands University Las Vegas, New Mexico
	Cheyney University of Pennsylvania Cheyney, Pennsylvania
Minot State University - Bottineau	Rich Mountain Community College Mena, Arkansas
	South Arkansas Community College El Dorado, Arkansas
	Feather River Community College District Quincy, California
	Lamar Community College Lamar, Colorado
	Quinebaug Valley Community College Danielson, Connecticut
	Garrett College McHenry, Maryland
	Pine Technical College Pine City, Minnesota
	Rainy River Community College International Falls, Minnesota
	Miles Community College Miles City, Montana
	Martin Community College Williamston, North Carolina
	Pamlico Community College Grantsboro, North Carolina
	Mesalands Community College Tucumcari, New Mexico
	New Mexico State University-Grants Grants, New Mexico
	Clatsop Community College Astoria, Oregon

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North Dakota State University	Frank Phillips College Borger, Texas
	University of Alaska Fairbanks Fairbanks, Alaska
	University of Arkansas Main Campus Fayetteville, Arkansas
	University of Connecticut Storrs, Connecticut
	University of Delaware Newark, Delaware
	University of Idaho Moscow, Idaho
	Iowa State University Ames, Iowa
	University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky
	University of Maine Orono, Maine
	University of Nevada-Reno Reno, Nevada
	University of Nebraska at Lincoln Lincoln, Nebraska
	University of Rhode Island Kingston, Rhode Island
	Clemson University Clemson, South Carolina
	University of Tennessee Knoxville, Tennessee
	University of Vermont Burlington, Vermont
	University of Wyoming Laramie, Wyoming
	State College of Science
Indian Hills Community College Ottumwa, Iowa	
Northwest Iowa Community College Sheldon, Iowa	
Washtenaw Community College Ann Arbor, Michigan	
Anoka Technical College Anoka, Minnesota	
Hennepin Technical College Brooklyn, Minnesota	
Linn State Technical College Linn, Missouri	
Great Basin College Elko, Nevada	
SUNY College of Technology at Alfred Alfred, New York	
Oklahoma State University-Okmulgee Okmulgee, Oklahoma	
Clackamas Community College Oregon City, Oregon	
Mt. Hood Community College Gresham, Oregon	
Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology Lancaster, Pennsylvania	
Texas State Technical College-Waco Waco, Texas	
Eastern Wyoming College Torrington, Wyoming	

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University of North Dakota	University of Alabama at Birmingham Birmingham, Alabama	
	University of Hawaii at Manoa Honolulu, Hawaii	
	University of Illinois at Chicago Chicago, Illinois	
	University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky	
	University of Louisville Louisville, Kentucky	
	University of Missouri-Kansas City Kansas City, Missouri	
	University of Nevada-Reno Reno, Nevada	
	SUNY at Buffalo Buffalo, New York	
	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, North Carolina	
	Wright State University Dayton, Ohio	
	University of Pittsburgh Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	
	University of Tennessee Knoxville, Tennessee	
	University of Utah Salt Lake City, Utah	
	University of Vermont and State Agricultural College Burlington, Vermont	
	University of Virginia-Main Campus Charlottesville, Virginia	
	Valley City State University	California State University-Monterey Bay Monterey, California
		Western State College of Colorado Gunnison, Colorado
		New College of Florida Sarasota, Florida
		Lewis-Clark State College Lewiston, Idaho
Purdue University-North Central Westville, Indiana		
University of Maine at Presque Isle Presque Isle, Maine		
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts North Adams, Massachusetts		
University of Minnesota Morris Morris, Minnesota		
Elizabeth City State University Elizabeth City, North Carolina		
Winston-Salem State University Winston-Salem, North Carolina		
Central State University Wilberforce, Ohio		
Oklahoma Panhandle State University Goodwell, Oklahoma		
University of Pittsburgh-Bradford Bradford, Pennsylvania		
Texas A&M University at Galveston Galveston, Texas		
Lyndon State College Lyndonville, Vermont		
Williston State College	Northeast Alabama Community College Rainsville, Alabama	

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	Southern Arkansas University Tech Camden, Arkansas
	Feather River Community College District Quincy, California
	Marshalltown Community College Marshalltown, Iowa
	Highland Community College Freeport, Illinois
	West Shore Community College Scottville, Michigan
	Itasca Community College Grand Rapids, Minnesota
	North Central Missouri College Trenton, Missouri
	Miles Community College Miles City, Montana
	Western Nebraska Community College Scottsbluff, Nebraska
	New Mexico State University-Carlsbad Carlsbad, New Mexico
	McDowell Technical Community College Marion, North Carolina
	Southwestern Oregon Community College Coos Bay, Oregon
	University of Pittsburgh-Titusville Titusville, Pennsylvania
	Northwest Community College Powell, Wyoming