

Understanding Current Reform Initiatives in Illinois

	Key Goals	Focus	Lead Agency
Accelerating Opportunities	Fundamentally change the way ABE is delivered; moving to an integrated system structured to transition and support students to achieve postsecondary credentials in high demand marketable credentials and college readiness.	Adult Education	ICCB
College and Career Readiness Pilot Project Act (CCR)	Legislation (SB 3705) aimed at funding developmental interventions in the Junior and Senior Year of High school to reduce remediation needs for entering students.	High School / Community College	ICCB
College Planning Act	Legislation (HB1710) targeting low-income and potential first generation college students with programs to promote college awareness and planning.	8 th Graders	ISAC
Common Core State Standards(CCSSI)	Development of standards for college and career readiness that are back mapped to early learning standards. Standards for each level of education across the states.	K-12 standards	ISBE
Complete College America (CCI)	Initiative aimed at increasing credentials of students throughout the states.	Higher Education	IBHE
Developmental Education Advisory Council (DEAC)	Ad Hoc committee convened by the ICCB to examine developmental education standards in Math and Reading.	Community College	ICCB
High School to College Success Report (HSCSR)	Revamped High School Feedback data report that is available to school leaders at the secondary and postsecondary level for the purposes of examining key disconnects in connections between high schools and community colleges.	K-12 & Community Colleges	IBHE
P-20 Council	Legislatively created council that is intended to coordinate education initiatives in Illinois.	All students & initiatives	Governor
P-20 Longitudinal data system	System being developed through projects listed here (RTTT, PA), as well as state legislation aimed at providing robust data resources for agencies and researchers for students from kindergarten through graduate school.	K-12 & postsecondary students	ALL

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Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC)	Create an assessment system and supporting tools that will help states dramatically increase the number of students who graduate high school ready for college and careers.	High School	ISBE
Perkins Programs of Study (Carl D. Perkins CTE Act) (POS)	Articulated curriculum across secondary to postsecondary, including the integration of academic and technical content. Other elements include professional development, sharing of data, support services, etc. Includes the Pathways to Results (PTR) a continuous improvement process.	High Schools & postsecondary students	ISBE/ ICCB
Public Agenda for College and Career Success (Illinois Specific) (PA)	Comprehensive Higher Education reform aimed at reducing remediation, alignment of standards, and increasing completions.	Illinois Higher Education	IBHE
Race to the Top (RTTT)	Comprehensive education reform aimed at standards, assessments, curriculum, and school leadership.	K-12 education	ISBE
Shifting Gears (SG)	Joyce Foundation project aimed at the development of CTE bridge programs in adult education and developmental education that includes three elements—support services, contextualized instruction, and career development.	Adult students	ICCB
STEM Learning Exchanges	Organizations under development aimed at coordinating business, industry, and education on the development of programs of student as well as resources for secondary and postsecondary teachers.		

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