

## TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM BOARD

### GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Source of Funds	FY25 Adjusted Base	FY26 Recommended	% Change Over FY25	FY27 Recommended	% Change Over FY26
GPR	587,442,900	619,080,600	5.4	615,080,600	-0.6
PR-F	33,440,400	32,851,800	-1.8	32,851,800	0.0
PR-S	3,060,100	3,065,500	0.2	3,065,500	0.0
PR-O	1,683,900	1,697,100	0.8	1,697,100	0.0
TOTAL	625,627,300	656,695,000	5.0	652,695,000	-0.6

### FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION SUMMARY

Source of Funds	FY25 Adjusted Base	FY26 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY25	FY27 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY26
GPR	23.25	27.25	4.00	27.25	0.00
PR-F	26.75	22.75	-4.00	22.75	0.00
PR-O	5.00	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00
TOTAL	55.00	55.00	0.00	55.00	0.00

### AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The system board is the coordinating agency for the state technical college system. The Governor appoints 10 members of the 13-member board, with the advice and consent of the Senate. Three additional members, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, a member of the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents and the secretary of the Department of Workforce Development, serve in an ex officio capacity. The board appoints a system president to administer the agency. Two divisions administer the agency's programs. The board establishes statewide policies and standards for the educational programs and services provided by the 16 technical college districts that cover the entire state. Each nine-member, locally-appointed district board is responsible for the direct operation of its respective school and programs and for hiring a district president.

### MISSION

The mission of the system is to enable eligible people to acquire the occupational skills training necessary for full participation in the workforce by stressing job training and retraining, and recognizing the rapidly changing educational needs of the citizens of the state to keep current with the demands of the workplace.

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**PROGRAMS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Program 1: Technical College System**

Goal: Expand the pool of skilled workers in the state's labor force.

Objective/Activity: Increase employment by graduates within six months of technical college graduation through targeted outreach efforts to employers.

Objective/Activity: Increase the number of minority students who graduate.

Goal: Increase access to technical and career education through the use of leading-edge instructional technology and techniques.

Objective/Activity: Increase the number of opportunities for technical college students to enroll in distance education offerings.

Goal: Increase postsecondary educational opportunities for young adults and working adults in Wisconsin.

Objective/Activity: Increase the number of technical college students successfully transferring to University of Wisconsin System institutions.

Objective/Activity: Increase the number of credits earned by nontraditional college-age technical college students enrolled in associate degree programs.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

**2023 AND 2024 GOALS AND ACTUALS**

<b>Prog. No.</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Goal 2023</b>	<b>Actual 2023</b>	<b>Goal 2024</b>	<b>Actual 2024</b>
1.	Percentage of graduates employed within six months of graduation.	90%	93%	90%	N/A <sup>1</sup>
1.	Number of minority students who graduate.	4,800	5,571	4,800	N/A <sup>1</sup>
1.	Number of credits earned by students enrolled in distance education offerings.	600,000	715,853	600,000	N/A <sup>1</sup>
1.	Number of students successfully transferring to institutions.	4,000	5,395	4,000	N/A <sup>1</sup>
1.	Number of associate degree credits earned by students age 24 and older.	520,000	423,663	520,000	N/A <sup>1</sup>

Note: Based on fiscal year.

<sup>1</sup>Data not yet available.

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### 2025, 2026 AND 2027 GOALS

<b>Prog. No.</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Goal 2025<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Goal 2026</b>	<b>Goal 2027</b>
1.	Percentage of graduates employed within six months of graduation.	90%	90%	90%
1.	Number of minority students who graduate.	5,000	5,000	5,000
1.	Number of credits earned by students enrolled in distance education offerings.	600,000	600,000	600,000
1.	Number of students successfully transferring to institutions.	4,300	4,300	4,300
1.	Number of associate degree credits earned by students age 24 and older.	475,000	475,000	475,000

Note: Based on fiscal year.

<sup>1</sup>Certain goals have been revised for 2025.

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**GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. General Aid Increase
2. Addressing Artificial Intelligence in Technical Education
3. Open Educational Resources
4. System Office General Operations
5. Nonresident Tuition Exemption for Undocumented Individuals
6. Nonresident Tuition Exemption for Certain Native Americans
7. Tuition Waiver for Certain Native Americans
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**Table 1  
Department Budget Summary by Funding Source (in thousands of dollars)**

	ACTUAL FY24	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST FY26	AGENCY REQUEST FY27	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY26	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY27
<b>GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE</b>	\$584,992.9	\$587,442.9	\$614,120.4	\$620,120.4	\$619,080.6	\$615,080.6
State Operations	3,465.7	3,409.6	4,087.1	4,087.1	4,047.3	4,047.3
Local Assistance	581,527.2	584,033.3	610,033.3	616,033.3	615,033.3	611,033.3
<b>FEDERAL REVENUE (1)</b>	\$35,667.8	\$33,440.4	\$32,851.8	\$32,851.8	\$32,851.8	\$32,851.8
State Operations	4,905.0	4,216.1	3,627.5	3,627.5	3,627.5	3,627.5
Local Assistance	30,109.6	28,424.3	28,424.3	28,424.3	28,424.3	28,424.3
Aids to Ind. & Org.	653.2	800.0	800.0	800.0	800.0	800.0
<b>PROGRAM REVENUE (2)</b>	\$6,043.4	\$4,744.0	\$4,762.6	\$4,762.6	\$4,762.6	\$4,762.6
State Operations	2,774.8	1,369.8	1,388.4	1,388.4	1,388.4	1,388.4
Local Assistance	2,749.6	2,750.0	2,750.0	2,750.0	2,750.0	2,750.0
Aids to Ind. & Org.	519.0	624.2	624.2	624.2	624.2	624.2
<b>TOTALS - ANNUAL</b>	\$626,704.1	\$625,627.3	\$651,734.8	\$657,734.8	\$656,695.0	\$652,695.0
State Operations	11,145.5	8,995.5	9,103.0	9,103.0	9,063.2	9,063.2
Local Assistance	614,386.3	615,207.6	641,207.6	647,207.6	646,207.6	642,207.6
Aids to Ind. & Org.	1,172.2	1,424.2	1,424.2	1,424.2	1,424.2	1,424.2

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

**Table 2  
Department Position Summary by Funding Source (in FTE positions)**

	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST FY26	AGENCY REQUEST FY27	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY26	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY27
<b>GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE</b>	23.25	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.25
State Operations	23.25	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.25
<b>FEDERAL REVENUE (1)</b>	26.75	22.75	22.75	22.75	22.75
State Operations	26.75	22.75	22.75	22.75	22.75
<b>PROGRAM REVENUE (2)</b>	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
State Operations	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
<b>TOTALS - ANNUAL</b>	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00
State Operations	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

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**Table 3  
Department Budget Summary by Program (in thousands of dollars)**

	ACTUAL FY24	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
			FY26	FY27	FY26	FY27
1. Technical college system	\$626,704.1	\$625,627.3	\$651,734.8	\$657,734.8	\$656,695.0	\$652,695.0
TOTALS	\$626,704.1	\$625,627.3	\$651,734.8	\$657,734.8	\$656,695.0	\$652,695.0

**Table 4  
Department Position Summary by Program (in FTE positions)**

	ADJUSTED BASE FY25	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
		FY26	FY27	FY26	FY27
1. Technical college system	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00
TOTALS	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00

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**1. General Aid Increase**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	20,000,000	0.00	25,000,000	0.00	20,000,000	0.00	25,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	20,000,000	0.00	25,000,000	0.00	20,000,000	0.00	25,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding for distribution to technical colleges based on equalization of fiscal capacity (70 percent) and performance criteria (30 percent) to give the system the necessary resources to expand the state's talent pipeline.

**2. Addressing Artificial Intelligence in Technical Education**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	5,000,000	0.00	5,000,000	0.00	8,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	5,000,000	0.00	5,000,000	0.00	8,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for grants to technical colleges to support: (a) artificial intelligence curriculum and resource development to meet employer demands; (b) educator recruitment, retention and upskilling in artificial intelligence fields; (c) stackable credential development for artificial intelligence degrees and certifications; and (d) infrastructure development related to artificial intelligence.

**3. Open Educational Resources**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	1,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00	3,000,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	1,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00	3,000,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for grants to technical colleges for the creation of open educational resources that will allow public access to course materials for greater student access and availability to all colleges within the system.

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**4. System Office General Operations**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	700,000	4.00	700,000	4.00	660,200	4.00	660,200	4.00
PR-F	-500,000	-4.00	-500,000	-4.00	-500,000	-4.00	-500,000	-4.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>160,200</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>160,200</b>	<b>0.00</b>

The Governor recommends providing funding to address increasing operational costs and continue delivering innovative training and education for Wisconsin's students and employers. The Governor also recommends converting 4.0 FTE positions from PR-F to GPR and providing additional funding to address cybersecurity and infrastructure needs for the system.

**5. Nonresident Tuition Exemption for Undocumented Individuals**

The Governor recommends exempting a person who is a citizen of another country from nonresident tuition if that person meets all of the following requirements: (a) the person graduated from a Wisconsin high school or received a high school graduation equivalency declaration from this state; (b) the person was continuously present in this state for at least three years following the first day of attending a Wisconsin high school or immediately preceding the receipt of a declaration of equivalency of high school graduation; and (c) the person enrolls in a University of Wisconsin System institution or Wisconsin technical college and provides the institution or college with proof that the person has filed or will file an application for a permanent resident visa with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services as soon as the person is eligible to do so. See University of Wisconsin System, Item #1.

**6. Nonresident Tuition Exemption for Certain Native Americans**

The Governor recommends allowing a student to qualify for resident tuition or fee rates at the University of Wisconsin System or Wisconsin Technical College System if the student: (a) is a citizen of one of Wisconsin's 11 federally recognized American Indian nations or tribal communities, or (b) is a citizen of a federally recognized tribe in a state contiguous with Wisconsin. See University of Wisconsin System, Item #1.

**7. Tuition Waiver for Certain Native Americans**

The Governor recommends providing tuition waivers for students at the University of Wisconsin System or Wisconsin Technical College System if the student: (a) is a Wisconsin resident and is verified as an enrolled member of any of Wisconsin's 11 federally recognized tribes and (b) enrolled at a University of Wisconsin System or Wisconsin Technical College System undergraduate program. See University of Wisconsin System, Item #1.

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**8. State Operations Adjustments**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	11,200	0.00	11,200	0.00	11,200	0.00	11,200	0.00
PR-S	5,400	0.00	5,400	0.00	5,400	0.00	5,400	0.00
PR-O	23,200	0.00	23,200	0.00	23,200	0.00	23,200	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39,800</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>39,800</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>39,800</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>39,800</b>	<b>0.00</b>

The Governor recommends providing funding for certain state operations appropriations to reflect increased supplies and services costs related to the provision of current programmatic requirements.

**9. Standard Budget Adjustments**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY26		FY27		FY26		FY27	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	-33,700	0.00	-33,700	0.00	-33,700	0.00	-33,700	0.00
PR-F	-88,600	0.00	-88,600	0.00	-88,600	0.00	-88,600	0.00
PR-O	-10,000	0.00	-10,000	0.00	-10,000	0.00	-10,000	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-132,300</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-132,300</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-132,300</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-132,300</b>	<b>0.00</b>

The Governor recommends adjusting the board's base budget for: (a) full funding of continuing position salaries and fringe benefits (\$201,900 in each year); and (b) full funding of lease and directed moves costs (-\$334,200 in each year).

