



STRATEGIC PLAN

2026 - 2030

Our Mission

OACC advocates for Ohio's community colleges with strong policy leadership, empowers members to drive workforce alignment and student success, and convenes partners across education, workforce, and government to advance the vitality of Ohio's communities.

Our Vision

As the unified voice for Ohio's community colleges, OACC will advance policies and partnerships that position the state's community colleges as the model for access, affordability, workforce alignment, and student success.

Our Strategic Priorities

OACC's strategic priorities aim to maximize the impact, success and innovation of Ohio's community colleges. The goals and strategies will position OACC to support the evolving needs of its member colleges to ensure they thrive in a dynamic higher education landscape.

Policy & Advocacy

Position OACC as the voice of the community college sector and a leading influence in shaping state higher education and workforce policy by:

- 1 Strengthening policy influence and relationships
- 2 Elevating the value and visibility of the sector
- 3 Building OACC's organizational capacity

Student & Workforce Success

Advance innovation, create pathways, eliminate barriers, and expand opportunities so all Ohio students can succeed and the state's employers can thrive by:

- 1 Strengthening statewide capacity for student success
- 2 Driving innovation in curriculum and practice
- 3 Deepening partnerships with employers and industry
- 4 Elevating the community college value proposition

Professional Development & Network Engagement

Equip OACC members to lead effectively in a rapidly evolving higher education and workforce environment by:

- 1 Strengthening partnerships and collaborative networks
- 2 Expanding professional learning and leadership development
- 3 Enhancing data and technical assistance support

Innovative Solutions

Serve as an incubator for ideas and position Ohio's community colleges to be future-ready by:

- 1 Promoting innovation and collaboration across the sector
- 2 Strengthening knowledge sharing and foresight
- 3 Advancing community and economic development partnerships