Governor Brown recently released a higher education plan that addresses a set of quality and performance goals for UC, CSU, and California Community Colleges. Originally, the basic elements of the plan include UC and CSU receiving up to a 20 percent increase in general fund appropriations over a four-year period contingent upon progress made towards four goals and metrics. However, last-minute negotiations in the budget process modified this compact.

The California Community Colleges system was not targeted in the first year of the plan; the plan stated that the California Community College’s goals would be developed subsequently and introduced in the Governor Brown’s 2014-15 budget proposal. This item seeks to inform the system on progress made internally on development of proposed metrics and goals that align with Governor Brown’s Higher Education Plan and our own Student Success Initiative.