The United States once led the world in its proportion of adults educated beyond high school. Today we no longer lead, and there is a significant gap between employers’ needs and the education levels of working adults. Not all jobs require education beyond high school, but it is estimated that by 2020 65% of jobs in Wyoming will require such training; today only 34% of Wyoming adults have an associate degree or higher.

Our Goal

NWCCD will do its share to fill this gap by producing 1,000 graduation awards per year by 2020. We will achieve this by improving the success rate of enrolled students and by increasing enrollments.

Strategic Plan to 2020

Our Mission:
Creating student success and making a difference in our communities through educational leadership

Sheridan College
3059 Coffeen Ave.
PO Box 1500
Sheridan, WY 82801
(307) 674-6446
(800) 913-9139

Gillette College
300 W. Sinclair
Gillette, WY 82718
(307) 686-0254
(888) 544-5538

Sheridan College in Johnson County
235 S. Main #2
Buffalo, WY 82834
(307) 684-2001

Nationally, the goal is 5,000,000 awards.
NWCCD’s GOAL: 1,000 AWARDS annually by 2020.
"The U.S. lags behind its peers in producing citizens with training beyond high school at the same time as our businesses and industries require increasingly sophisticated skills from employees at all levels. As our District looks to the future, we are focused on doing our part to help Wyoming and the nation prosper.”

–Paul Young, NWCCD President

Our Plan to reach...

Our Strategy

We will foster engagement and shared responsibility with our students, our communities and our employees.

STUDENT SUCCESS GOALS:
- Ensure academic relevance for students
- Accelerate the pathway through developmental studies
- Improve student retention and completion

Action Areas:
- Create a seamless intake system that includes a documented educational plan and support network
- Provide customized academic pathways and support for students
- Integrate enrollment management with academic planning

COMMUNITY SUCCESS GOALS:
- Partner with community leadership organizations to help grow the economy of our region
- Provide breadth and depth in cultural and intellectual opportunities

Action areas:
- Host events and activities and provide a venue for community events and activities
- Deliver meaningful and diverse community education opportunities
- Partner with civic organizations and employers in economic development initiatives
- Expand leadership capacity in our communities

ORGANIZATION HEALTH GOALS:
- Build leadership capacity and effectiveness at all organization levels
- Achieve a high level of shared ownership and responsibility

Action Areas:
- Share information actively
- Increase two-way communication and participation at all levels
- Train and develop managers
- Increase delegation of responsibility and authority and improve accountability