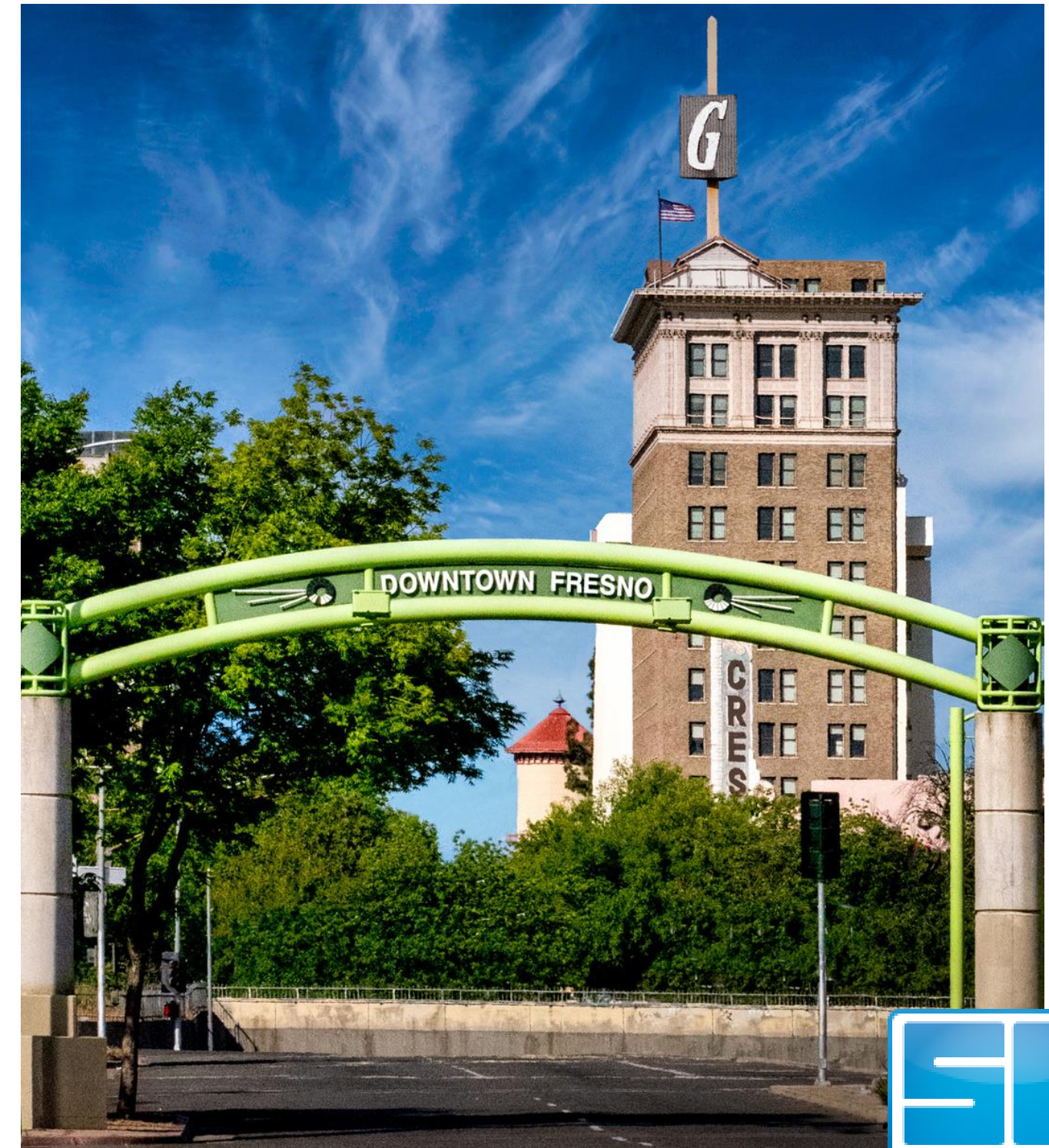


# CASE STUDY-IMPLICATIONS OF NEW SAAM CALCULATIONS FOR STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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- The Team
- Funding Formula Background
- State Center FTES Analysis
- Implications
- Recommendations



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FCOE resolution to form district 1964*





# MEET THE TEAM

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# ATTENDANCE ACCOUNTING METHODOLOGY

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- *Designed to compute the FTES served by an institution.*
  - *Five (5) methodologies to calculate FTES (Title 5, section 58003)*
  - *Complex and Outdated*
  - *Restricts innovative course scheduling to meet the needs of diverse students, especially post-pandemic.*
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- ***Changes Since 2024 Board of Governor Adopted Amendments***
  - *reduces number of methodologies from five (5) to three (3)*
  - *replaces weekly census, daily census, and alternative attendance accounting (for credit)*
  - *Single methodology for all credit courses i.e. “Standardized Attendance Accounting Method (SAAM)”*
  - *Keep Actual Hours of Attendance (i.e. positive attendance) for Open-entry /open-exit credit courses*
  - *Keep Alternative Attendance Accounting Procedure for Noncredit Courses*



# WHY STATE CENTER CCD

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**4**  
*HSI colleges*

**2**  
*high schools*

**50.4%**  
*50% law*

**FIRST-1910**

*Fresno City College*

**NEWEST-2020**

*Madera Community College*



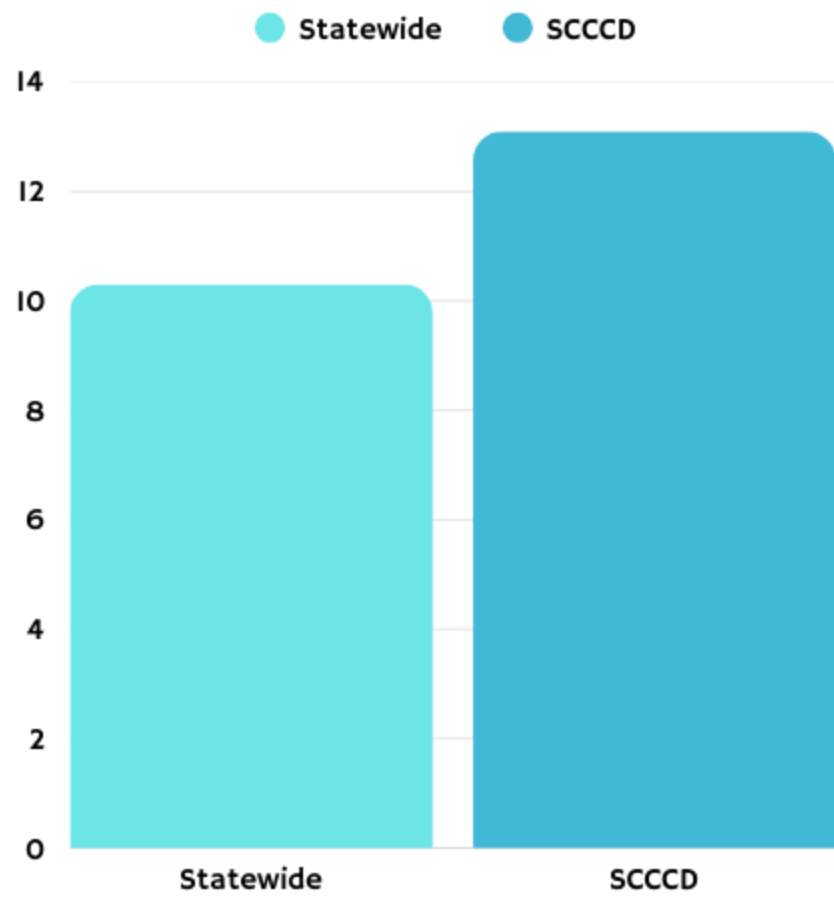
**2 YEARS**  
*growth*

**3 YEARS**  
*unfunded ftes*

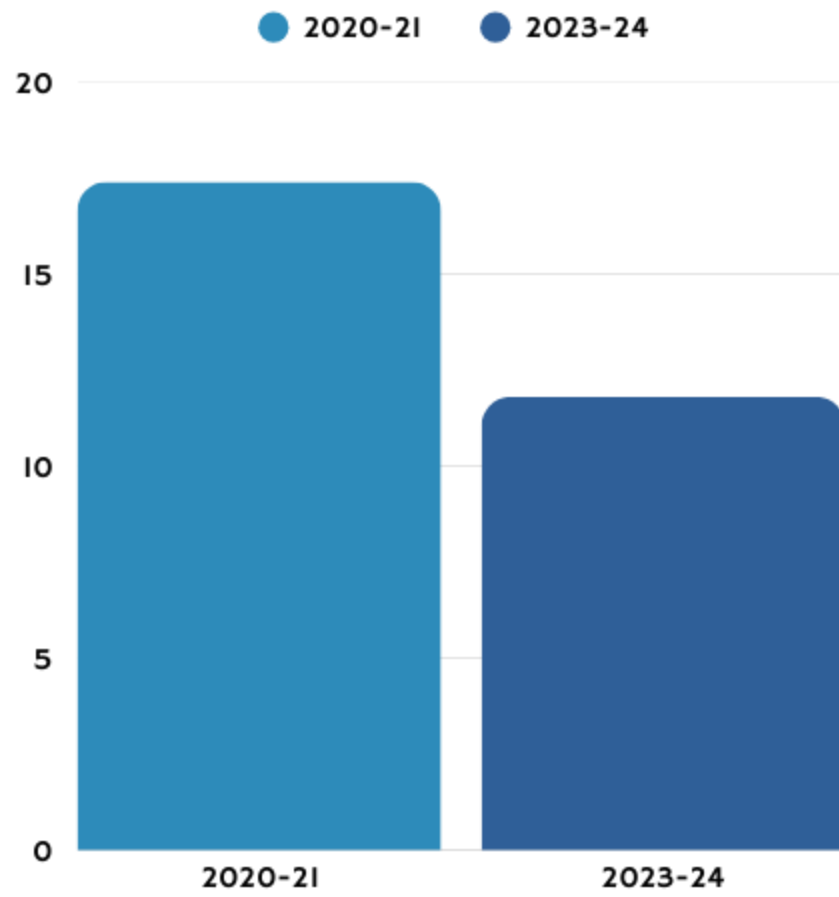
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# SCCCD Key Performance Indicators

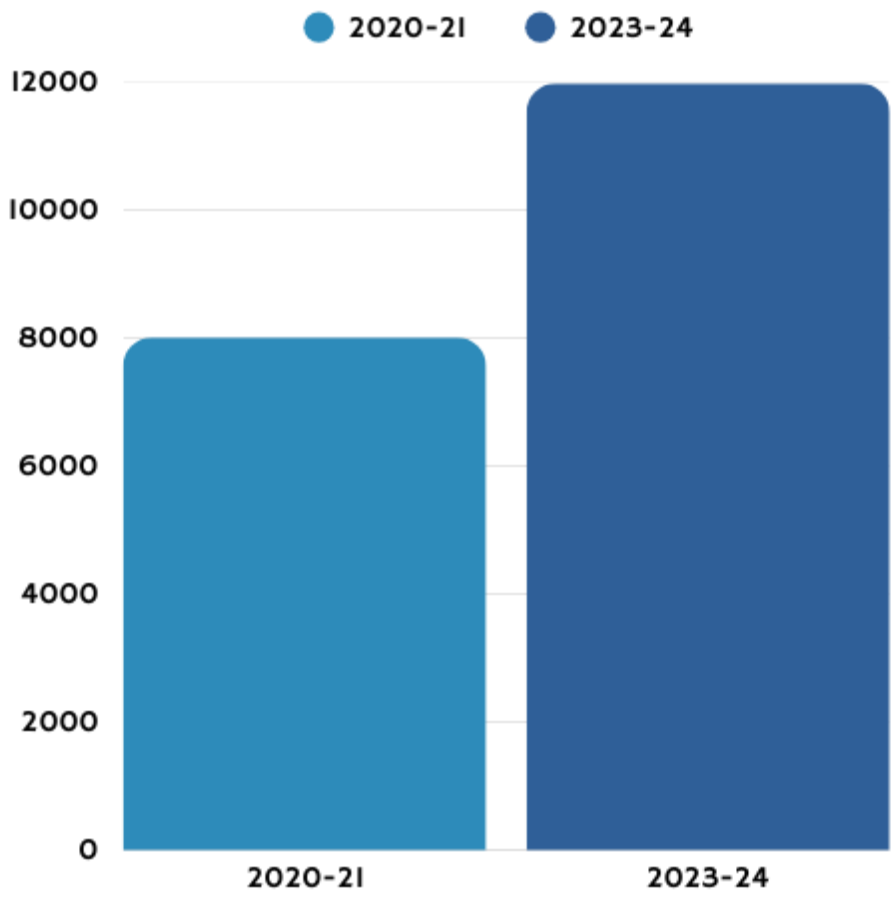
Enrollment  
Growth  
outpaces  
Statewide



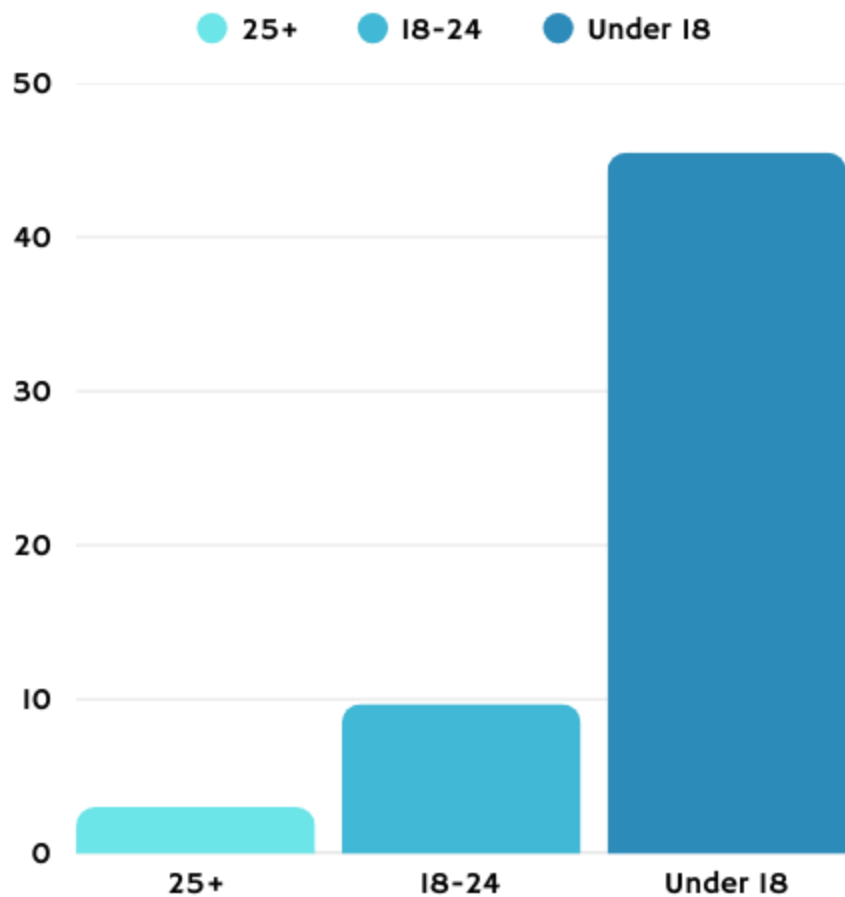
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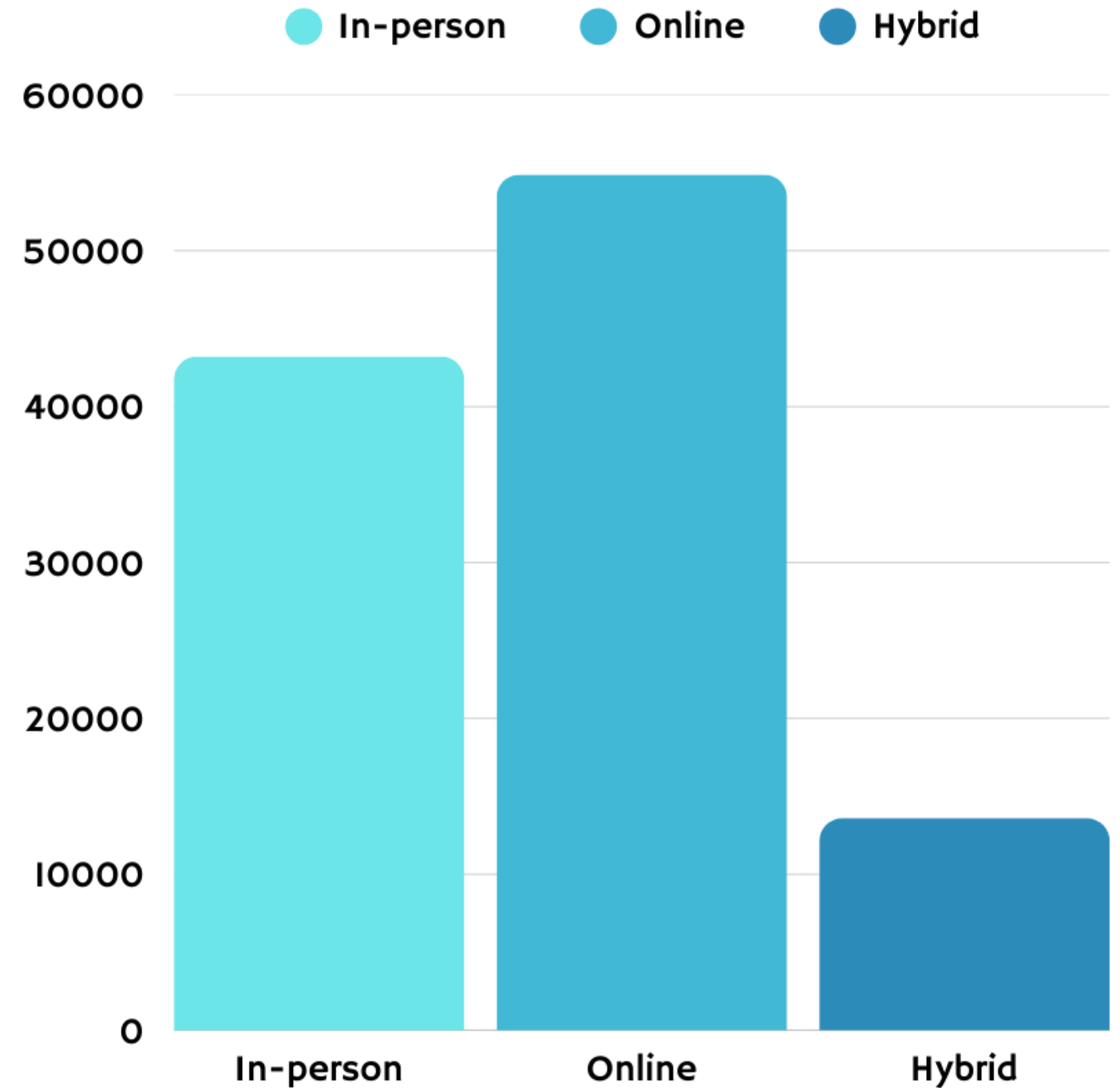
Dual  
Enrollment  
has increased  
50%



Greatest  
enrollment  
growth is the  
under 18



# Enrollment by course modality





# IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW FUNDING FORMULA

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*2024-25*

*P1 Exhibit C*

Total FTES - 34,759.07

Credit - 31,378.87

Special Admin - 3,017.38

CDCP - 55.86

Noncredit - 306.96

Unfunded FTES - 2,513.61

**\$13,868,999**

*Estimate*

*SAAM Method*

Total FTES - 35,346.75  
**(+587.68 FTES)**

Credit - 31,966.55

Special Admin - 3,017.38

CDCP - 55.86

Noncredit - 306.96

Unfunded FTES - 3,101.29

**\$16,980,452**





# RECOMMENDATION #1

## Maximize classroom efficiency and Enrollment Management-

**State Central** District is a fiscally conservative district and is currently using reserves to offset unfunded FTES. How long would these reserves last.

**Reducing number of classes** will help reduce faculty overloads and adjunct costs.

Classroom utilization rate is currently at 76%, which presents an opportunity to optimize the use of instructional spaces and resources. To enhance efficiency and reduce underutilization, the following recommendations are proposed:

### 1. Adjust the Number of Course Sections:

- Reduce the number of sections offered until the overall classroom usage rate increases to 90%.
- Ensure that exceptions are made for courses required for graduation

### 2. Maximize Classroom Capacities:

- Aim to use classroom space to its fullest extent, but maintaining class size within the limits of 50 students and raise the minimum from 11 to 25.

### 3. Increase Online Course Offerings:

- Transition non-graduation-required courses or those conducive to digital instruction to online formats; this will free up physical space to accommodate additional enrollments.

### 4. Policy Implementation for Sustained Improvements:

- Propose that the district develop and adopt a board policy addressing enrollment management and classroom utilization.
- A structured policy could help guide long-term strategic planning,



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# RECOMMENDATION # 2

## Advocate for Increased Funding along with Resource Reallocation and Cost Control

### 1. Funding Advocacy

- Current Situation: 2,514 unfunded FTES in FY24- 25. With the new SAAM method, this will increase to 3,101 FTES or nearly \$17M unfunded.
- Enrollment Growth: CCC is requesting the state fund a higher rate of enrollment growth at 1.5% in 2025-26. This funding will help maintain programmatic quality as enrollment increases.

### 2. Resource Reallocation:

- Program Analysis: Analyze to identify programs with strong enrollment, completion rates, and employment outcomes by reallocating resources from under-enrolled or duplicative programs.
- DEIA Principles: Ensure access to prioritized programs for historically underrepresented groups.

### 3. Cost Control and Revenue Generation:

- Dual Enrollment
- Collaborate with other departments or institutions to share instructional materials, faculty, or virtual course sections.
- Employer Partnerships: Co-sponsor cohorts, cover tuition, or internships
- Grants: Work with nonprofits or workforce boards to obtain grants for targeted populations



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# RECOMMENDATION #3

## Update Course Outline of Record

### 1. Course Outline of Record (COR) Overview

- Defines the structure and credit of a course.
- Specifies units, instructional hours, and prerequisites/corequisites.
- Serves as a contract between the college, students, and accrediting bodies.

### 2. Current status: Lecture and lab components are combined under a single credit unit value

### 3. Proposed change: Assign separate credit units for the lecture and the lab portion of the course

- Split credit units between the lab and the lecture
- Add lab credit unit to the course if lab hours are not accounted toward the credit unit
- Reduce the credit units for lectures to compensate for the lab credit hours gained

### 4. Financial and Operational Impacts

- Academic Senate “10+1”
- Teaching load and overload
- Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)
- Tuition and student financial aid
- Course Articulation and Transfer



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# QUESTIONS ?



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# THANK YOU!

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