

FY2018-FY2019 MINNESOTA STATE LEGISLATIVE REQUEST

As a part of the Minnesota State system, Minnesota West Community & Technical College receives funding via the legislative request submitted by Minnesota State.

Minnesota State is the fifth largest system of colleges and universities in the nation with 30 state colleges and universities across the state that serve as an essential resource to students, business, and industry.

In addition to requesting its operating budget, Minnesota State is requesting \$178 million in new funding for fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

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- \$143 million to support and protect campuses like Minnesota West Community & Technical College
- \$25 million for critical technology replacements impacting Minnesota West Community & Technical College
- \$10 million for student incentive grants

To see the Minnesota State FY2018-FY2019 Budget Request, click [here](#).

To see the complete Minnesota State FY2018-FY2019 Legislative Request book, click [here](#).

IMPACT OF THE MINNESOTA STATE LEGISLATIVE REQUEST TO MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Minnesota West Community & Technical College will receive \$2.8 million of the \$143 million supporting and protecting campuses, and an estimated 285 students will be supported by the funding for incentive grants

- A fully funded request will allow us to
 - Expand and revitalize programming in manufacturing, healthcare, and STEM related areas in response to workforce demands.
 - Expand career pathways in partnership with local industry and high schools to meet employment needs and fill the skills gap.
 - Provide additional education and career support for students from diverse backgrounds, particularly in the Worthington area, the second most diverse community in greater MN.
- Not fully funded request will cause us to
 - Stall investments in new programming to meet the needs of employers in southwest MN.
 - Cause continued deterioration in the condition of our facilities.
- To learn more about the impact of the Minnesota State legislative request to Minnesota West Community & Technical College, click [here](#) refer to page 24.

2017 MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE CAPITAL REQUEST

Should any portion of the Minnesota State capital request be funded, Minnesota West Community & Technical College is included for:

- \$1.632 million in asset preservation (HEAPR)

EXTRAORDINARY REASONS TO #FUNDMINNESOTASTATE AND MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

- Minnesota West Community & Technical College is one of 37 state colleges and universities that are part of the Minnesota State system.
- The colleges and universities that make up Minnesota State are home to 54 campuses, 5 of which belong to Minnesota West Community & Technical College.
- Minnesota State serves 396,000 students annually, and Minnesota West Community & Technical College serves 10,107 of those students.
- Minnesota State serves more students of color, first generation college students, and low-income students, including the 18% of Minnesota West Community & Technical College students who are students of color and the 28% who are Pell eligible.
- Minnesota West Community & Technical College partners with business and industry in an effort to make sure we offer the right programs, in the right places, turning out the right number of graduates who are prepared with the necessary knowledge and skills to be successful in the jobs of the future.
- We award approximately 1,000 degrees, diplomas, and certificates annually.
- 83% of our graduates live, work, and contribute to Minnesota.
- President's Advisory Committee collaborates with business/ workforce leaders to meet workforce demands with technical-based programming.
- We offer accessibility to students through multiple class delivery options such as online, on-campus, and hybrid courses.
- We have strong ties with high schools through the NACEP accreditation program, partnering with 52 high schools and serving nearly 900 students last year for concurrent and dual enrollment courses.
- Service and success in our students is demonstrated by our graduation and persistence rates.

See the Minnesota State Extraordinary Facts sheet by clicking [here](#).

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