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## NJCAA Athletics: A Reliable Pathway to Student Success

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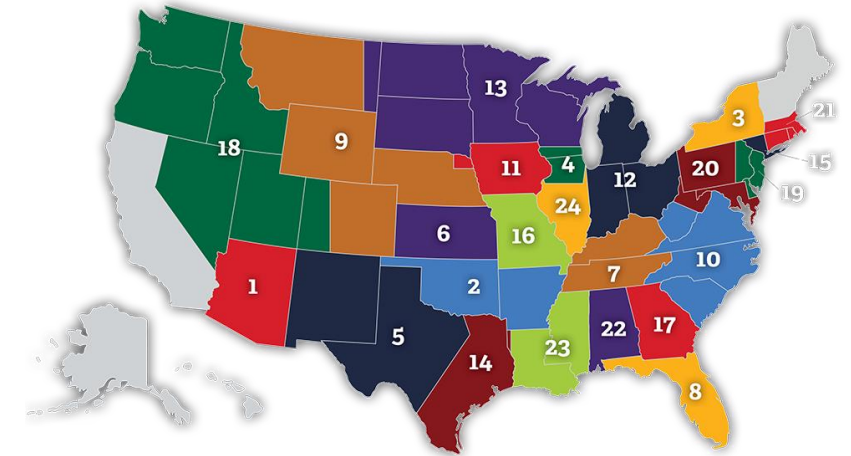




# What is the NJCAA?

- **We're the nation's second-largest intercollegiate athletic association.** Our association is comprised of over 500 two-year member colleges and nearly 60,000 student-athletes.
- It is the mission of the NJCAA to foster a national program of athletic participation in an environment that supports equitable opportunities consistent with the educational objectives of member colleges.

The NJCAA's mission is to promote and foster two-year college athletics. Unlawful discrimination is incompatible with this mission and detracts from the organization's goal of promoting healthy and fair competition. The NJCAA prohibits unlawful discrimination based on sex, race, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, religion, creed, sexual orientation, age or any other characteristic protected by applicable law in the NJCAA's governance, programs, regulations and employment practices.



## Strategic Goals include:

- Educational Opportunities
- Data Research
- National Standards & Accountability
- Competition Structure
- Marketing, Branding & Promotion of the NJCAA



# Who is the NJCAA?

We are...

- A national board of voting members that represent the 24 regions and presidents.
- A national office of 20 individuals serving out the overall mission.
- Member colleges from 24 various regions and 42 different states.
- Internship program that creates leadership opportunities.
- Three divisions of intercollegiate athletics



# Defining *Student Success*

## **STUDENT SUCCESS**

- Access
- Retention
- Completion
- Public Relations
- Recruitment
- Awareness
- Community Engagement
- Reverse Transfer
- Job Placement



# Let's Talk About ACCESS.

## STUDENT SUCCESS

How it starts and how it finishes!

## ACCESS

*What does **access** mean to each community college?*

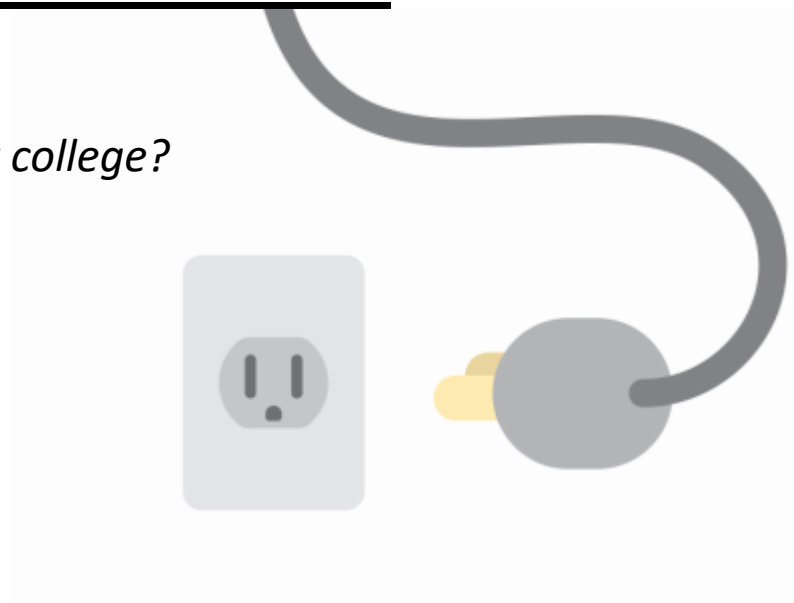
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# Let's Talk About RETENTION.

What does **retention** mean to each community college?

- Mentorship
- Out-of-State Students
- Financial Support
- Comraderies
- Engagement

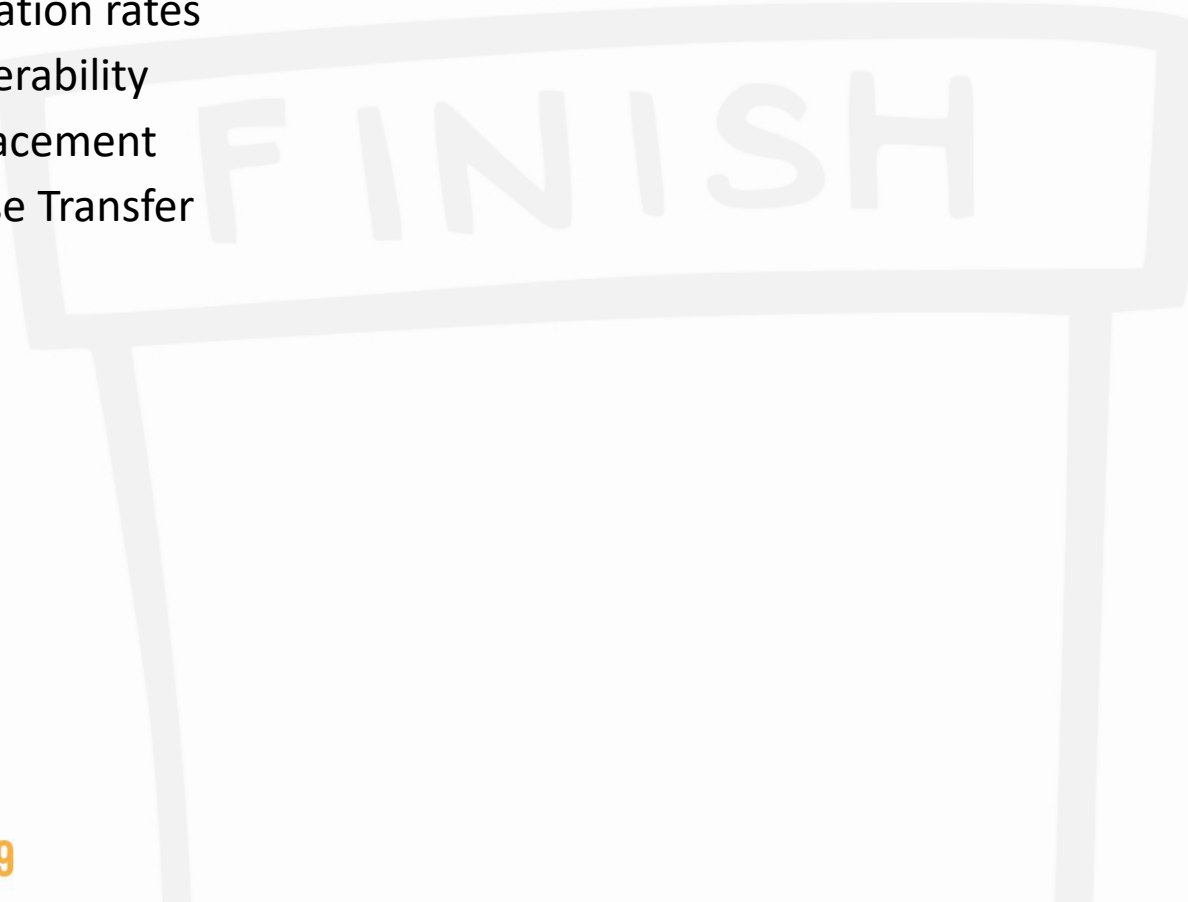




# Let's Talk About COMPLETION.

*What does **completion** mean to each community college?*

- Financial Impact
- Graduation rates
- Transferability
- Job Placement
- Reverse Transfer



# Let's Share Success Stories.

- Transferability
- Grade Point Averages
- Scholarships
- Team GPA Awards – 3.0 or higher → 743 teams
- All-Academic 1st – 3rd Team → 6,832 total (record number)
  - 1st Team 4.00
  - 2nd Team 3.80 - 3.99
  - 3rd Team 3.60 - 3.79





# Student-Athlete Data Points for *2016-2018*

## NJCAA Student-Athlete Study Results

*24 colleges selected from our 24 regions who participated in the data study. 23 regions submitted.*

- An average of 118 student-athletes per college
- Ranging from 2 to 4 semesters of classwork completed
- Percentages of Student-Athletes receiving some form of financial aid ~70%
- Students are – on average – taking **14.1 hours per semester** or **28.2 credit hours per year**



# Student-Athlete Data Points for 2016-2018

## NJCAA Student-Athlete Study Results (Continued)

- *The average student-athlete is completing **4.78 hours** of developmental credits during freshman year.*
- **After one (1) semester**, the average GPA is **2.83**.
- **After two (2) semesters**, the average GPA is **2.72**.
- **After three (3) semesters**, the average GPA is **2.82**.
- **After four (4) semesters**, the average GPA is **2.76**.



# Answering the *Why*?





**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME  
AND ATTENTION.**

