



Strong Start: Student Success from the Start



Flexible to meet student and campus needs

- 4 days to 4 weeks in duration
- Year-long supports including mentoring, mental health, and academic support
- Early campus move-in
- Academic supports and summer foundational instruction
- Active involvement of university faculty
- Community-building activities



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Focused

- 59% of participants were BIPOC
- 40% of participants were Pell Eligible
- 79% of participants were from Oregon

Student backgrounds

COVID-19 impacted, low-income, students with disabilities, first-generation, ethnically diverse, rural, foster youth, abuse survivors and other risk factors



Amazing Success

- Retention through the 4th week: 95.5% to 100%!
- Increased self efficacy, belonging and academic preparation
- Strong personalized follow-up and supports



Growing Need

- The Pandemic impact has been broad and will be lasting
- Under-served communities have been disproportionately harmed
- Strong Start is an effective and critical response



Next Steps

- Continued investment by the legislature



Questions or requests for more information

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