

1. Based on the 2017 Economic Impact Study, what is the total impact that Otero College had on the local community (operational spending, student spending, and alumni impact)?

- a. \$10 million
- b. \$20 million
- c. \$30 million
- d. \$50 million

2. What percentage of Colorado high school graduates who enroll immediately in postsecondary education complete a credential in 6 years?

- a. 20%
- b. 25%
- c. 30%
- d. 40%
- e. 50%

DID YOU KNOW...

**Colorado is credited as one of the most highly educated states in the nation but has one of the lowest percentages of high school students who complete a college degree. Colorado's highly educated residents are transplants. This is referred to as the "Colorado Paradox".*

**Colorado ranks 47th in the nation in public investment for higher education. Colorado spends less per student on postsecondary education than any other state except New Hampshire and Vermont.*

**Colorado consistently ranks near the bottom in U.S. FAFSA completion rates of graduating seniors. Rates are higher in our service area thanks to our Financial Aid office and their FAFSA nights, but we're seeing a decline amongst students from outside of our service area.*

**High school students who are first-gen, low-income, and/or students of color are less likely to enroll in college and complete FAFSA's than their peers. In addition, jobs vulnerable to displacement or significant transformation due to technology, automation, and artificial intelligence (AI) are disproportionately concentrated among people of color, those without college degrees, women in low-mid pay jobs*

3. Decreasing college enrollment has been a national issue for the last 5+ years, and this trend was accelerated by the pandemic. Within the last 5 years, Otero's enrollment has decreased by:

- a. 5%
- b. 10%
- c. 18%
- d. 25%

4. What percentage of occupations require a bachelor's degree (approximately)?

- a. 50%
- b. 60%
- c. 75%
- d. 85%

5. What is the Colorado Department of Higher Education's goal for overall postsecondary attainment (certificates or degrees) for all Coloradans aged 25-34 by 2025?

- a. 44%
- b. 55%
- c. 66%
- d. 77%