

How do fall 2006 enrollments look at two-year colleges?

- Fall enrollments are over 2 percent higher than last year.
- Annual enrollments are projected to be 3,000 FTES higher than last year.
- Projected enrollments will exceed the CTC budgeted level by over 1,000 FTES.
- Much of this year's growth is occurring in workforce and basic skills programs.
- Basic skills enrollment increased by 12% over last fall, continuing last year's growth trend.
- Enrollments in workforce programs rose for the third year in a row, despite serving fewer Worker Retraining students, whose numbers continue to drop since the peak of the recession in 2003.
- Programs that combine basic skills and workforce programs (I-BEST), which are educating the state's least skilled workers, account for nearly half of the increase in workforce enrollments.
- Population and economic trends show strong workforce enrollments continuing as employees routinely upgrade their skills.
- The Running Start program increased by 4 percent over last fall.
- Transfer programs remain steady – consistent with a stable 18- and 19-year-old population.

