

**THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 94 of 1979**

**388.1845 Public transparency website; "best practice" measures; dashboard or report card; icon badge; determination of compliance with section; report.**

Sec. 241a.

(4) No later than November 1 each year, a public university shall maintain a public transparency website available through a link on its website homepage. The website must include all of the following concerning the public university:

(a) The annual operating budget and subsequent budget revisions.

(b) A summary of current expenditures for the most recent fiscal year for which they are available, expressed as pie charts in the following 2 categories:

(i) A chart of personnel expenditures, broken into the following subcategories:

(A) Earnings and wages.

(B) Employee benefit costs, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, life, disability, and long-term care benefits.

(C) Retirement benefit costs.

(D) All other personnel costs.

(ii) A chart of all current expenditures the public university reported as part of its higher education institutional data inventory data under subsection (1), broken into the same subcategories in which it reported those data.

(c) Links to all of the following for the public university:

(i) The current collective bargaining agreement for each bargaining unit.

(ii) Each health care benefits plan, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, disability, long-term care, or any other type of benefits that would constitute health care services, offered to any bargaining unit or employee of the public university.

(iii) Audits and financial reports for the most recent fiscal year for which they are available.

(d) General fund revenue and expenditure projections for the current fiscal year and the next fiscal year.

(e) A listing of all debt service obligations, detailed by project, anticipated fiscal year payment for each project, and total outstanding debt for the current fiscal year.

(f) The institution's policy regarding the transferability of core college courses between community colleges and the public university.

(g) A listing of all community colleges that have entered into reverse transfer agreements with the public university.

(h) A dashboard or report card demonstrating the public university's performance in several "best practice" measures. The dashboard or report card must include at least all of the following for the 3 most recent academic years for which the data are available:

(i) Enrollment.

(ii) Student retention rate.

(iii) Six-year graduation rates.

(iv) Number of Pell grant recipients and graduating Pell grant recipients.

(v) Geographic origination of students, categorized as in-state, out-of-state, and international.

(vi) Faculty to student ratios and total public university employee to student ratios.

(vii) Teaching load by faculty classification.

(viii) Graduation outcome rates, including employment and continuing education.

(i) An icon badge that provides statewide consistency and public visibility. For this purpose, public universities shall use the icon badge provided by the department of technology, management, and budget consistent with the icon badge developed by the department of education for K-12 school districts. It must appear on the front of each public university's homepage. The size of the icon may be reduced to 150 x 150 pixels. The font size and style for this reporting must be consistent with other documents on each public university's website.

(j) A collection and report of the number and percentage of all enrolled students who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, broken out by undergraduate and graduate/professional classifications, reported to the center and posted on its website under the budget transparency icon badge.

(k) The name of the current president, the names of the city and state where the president currently resides, and the president's annual salary.