**Remediation rates continue to decline**

The Ohio Department of Higher Education’s 2019 Ohio Remediation Report shows a decline in the percentage of Ohio high school graduates who needed remedial coursework in math or English at state public colleges and universities — from 30 percent in 2014 to 27 percent in 2018.

According to the report, the decrease in remediation rates — the percentage of Ohio public high school graduates enrolled in an Ohio public college or university who have taken a remedial course — can be attributed to multiple efforts including statewide initiatives to enhance academic and career advising, educators collaboration to align student-learning outcomes between high school and college, and the implementation of college placement practices that support student success.

New to the report is the inclusion of enrollment numbers and remediation rates disaggregated by economic status. The data show remediation rates among economically disadvantaged students — those eligible for Pell grants — of nearly 39 percent, significantly higher than the 18.2 percent rate for ineligible students.

The report includes several key recommendations:

- State, district, and local education leaders need to continuously review and respond to specific metrics at the student level from pre-kindergarten through postsecondary attainment.
- Early interventions and attendance matter.
- Strengthen advising support for all students. Support training of advisors within high schools and colleges to help raise awareness of all postsecondary opportunities for Ohio students.
- To address academic gaps identified in high school, students should have access to transition courses.
- Review and implement strategies to close the academic gaps among student populations (racial, ethnic, first-generation, geographical regions).
- Improve student success in entry-level courses by aligning mathematics to academic programs of study.
- Compressing developmental education with course redesign, such as offering co-requisite college-level courses.

Access the full report online at:  
https://www.ohiohighered.org/data-reports/college-readiness