SSTF Report to Ohio Math Initiative

Ohio Department of Higher Education
Strong Start Overview

- **Composition**
  - 12 universities
  - 18 community colleges

- **Goals in brief**
  - Increase completion of gateway math and English courses
  - Address achievement gap in course completion
Official goals: agreed by institutions

- Ensuring that clearly structured programs of study exist for all majors;
- Aligning redesigned gateway mathematics and English courses to all programs of study;
- Implementing co-requisite remediation at scale in mathematics and English;
- Building advising structures to ensure all students register for coursework in sequences to meet the goal.
Strong Start Activities

- CLASS grants
  - Two rounds of $19K to institutions
  - Extension to May 31, 2021
  - Support activities unique to each institution that align with SSTF goals

- Convenings
  - Semi-annual gatherings to share research and collaborate with colleagues
  - Fall 2020 convening last week
Strong Start Activities

- Implementation Forums
  - Practitioner based research review and recommendations
  - [https://www.ohiohighered.org/SSTF/forums](https://www.ohiohighered.org/SSTF/forums)

- ACUE Effective Teaching program
  - Supplemental grant for faculty teaching co-req/gateway courses
  - 120 faculty across the state, 50 mathematics
Strong Start  Upcoming Activities

- Complete College America
  - Provide research, workshops and direct institutional support for development/refinement of co-requisite courses
  - Focus: direct enrollment in for-credit class

- Motivate Lab
  - Series of webinars on incorporating growth mindset, purpose and relevance, and sense of belonging into curriculum.
Strong Start Collaboration /Upcoming Activity

- Ohio Professional Development Consortium
  - Share faculty professional development opportunities across the state
  - Endorsement in inclusive teaching
  - For information

QUESTIONS?