This report is designed to provide a statewide systemic view of students’ educational pathways and to encourage a better understanding of student transition and success. The scorecard draws upon and analyzes data from the Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE), Adult Workforce Education (AWE), and Higher Education Information (HEI) systems to provide institutions and regions with information against which they can compare their performance and develop strategies for improvement.

### ABLE STUDENT TRANSITION METRICS

- The number of first time students served by Northwest Ohio’s ABLE programs increased from 3,837 in the 2007 cohort to 3,919 in the 2009 cohort.
- The percentage of Northwest Ohio ABLE students completing a program was very similar to the statewide ABLE completion rate, ranging only from 52.2% to 52.6% across these cohorts.
- Northwest Ohio ABLE completers were more likely to transition to postsecondary education than ABLE completers statewide.
- The region’s transition rate steadily increased from 24.7% for the 2007 cohort to 29.1% for the 2009 cohort.
- The percentage of Northwest Ohio ABLE completers who transitioned to AWE also increased steadily from 1.6% to 2.3% across these cohorts but was lower than the statewide transition rate into AWE for all cohorts.
- The percentage of Northwest Ohio ABLE completers who transitioned to a USO college or university increased steadily, going from 23.1% for the 2007 cohort to 26.8% for the 2009 cohort, which was notably higher than the corresponding statewide rate for each cohort.
- Of those Northwest Ohio ABLE completers from these three cohorts who transitioned to AWE, the percentage who completed an AWE program increased markedly from 53.1% for the 2007 cohort to 93.8% for the 2009 cohort. The statewide rates ranged from 63.4% to 72.6%.
- The percentage of those Northwest Ohio ABLE completers from these cohorts who transitioned to a college or university who completed a gateway course increased steadily from 43.6% to 62.6%. This was lower than the statewide rate for the 2007 cohort but higher for the two later cohorts.
- Of the Northwest Ohio ABLE completers who transitioned to an AWE program, over 95% from the 2008 and 2009 cohorts transitioned to a program in the Northwest Ohio region.
- Over 88% of Northwest Ohio ABLE completers who went on to USO colleges or universities transitioned to a community college or branch campus within the Northwest Ohio region.

### AWE STUDENT TRANSITION METRICS

- The number of first time participants served by Northwest Ohio’s AWE programs increased from 1,484 in the 2007 cohort to 1,649 in the 2009 cohort.
- The program completion rate for these Northwest Ohio AWE students decreased steadily but slightly from 85.6% to 78.2% across these cohorts. This is still slightly higher than statewide AWE success rates.
- The percentage of Northwest Ohio AWE completers who transitioned to a USO college or university decreased steadily from 32.8% to 27.9% across these cohorts.
- The percentage of Northwest Ohio AWE completers who transitioned was consistently much higher than the transition rate for AWE completers statewide.
• Of those AWE completers from these three cohorts who transitioned to a college or university, the percentage who completed a gateway course varied from 53.1% to 60.8% which was higher than the course completion rate for statewide AWE completers from the 2007 and 2009 cohorts.

• Over 84% of the Northwest Ohio AWE completers from these cohorts who transitioned to a college or university transitioned to a community college or branch campus within the Northwest Ohio region.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND BRANCH CAMPUS STUDENT TRANSITION METRICS

• The number of first-time students served by Northwest Ohio’s public community colleges and branch campuses rose steadily from 6,287 in 2007 to 7,539 in 2009.

• The percentage of these college students who transitioned from ABLE or AWE also increased steadily from 5.4% in the 2007 cohort to 7.6% in the 2009 cohort, while statewide this percentage increased from 5.2% to 7%.

• These Northwest Ohio college students are more likely to have transitioned from ABLE than from AWE. This is also true statewide.

• First-time Northwest Ohio two-year college students in the 2008 and 2009 cohorts who transitioned from ABLE or AWE were more likely to have completed a gateway course compared to those who had not transitioned. About 48%-53% of non-transitioned new college students in each of these cohorts completed one of these courses compared to between 55% and 59% of those who transitioned from ABLE or AWE. The course completion rates for both groups were slightly lower than for corresponding statewide cohorts.

• Over 80% of the new two-year college students in this region who transitioned from ABLE came from a program within the Northwest Ohio region. A smaller percentage of those who transitioned from an AWE program came from within the region (between 69% and 79%).

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