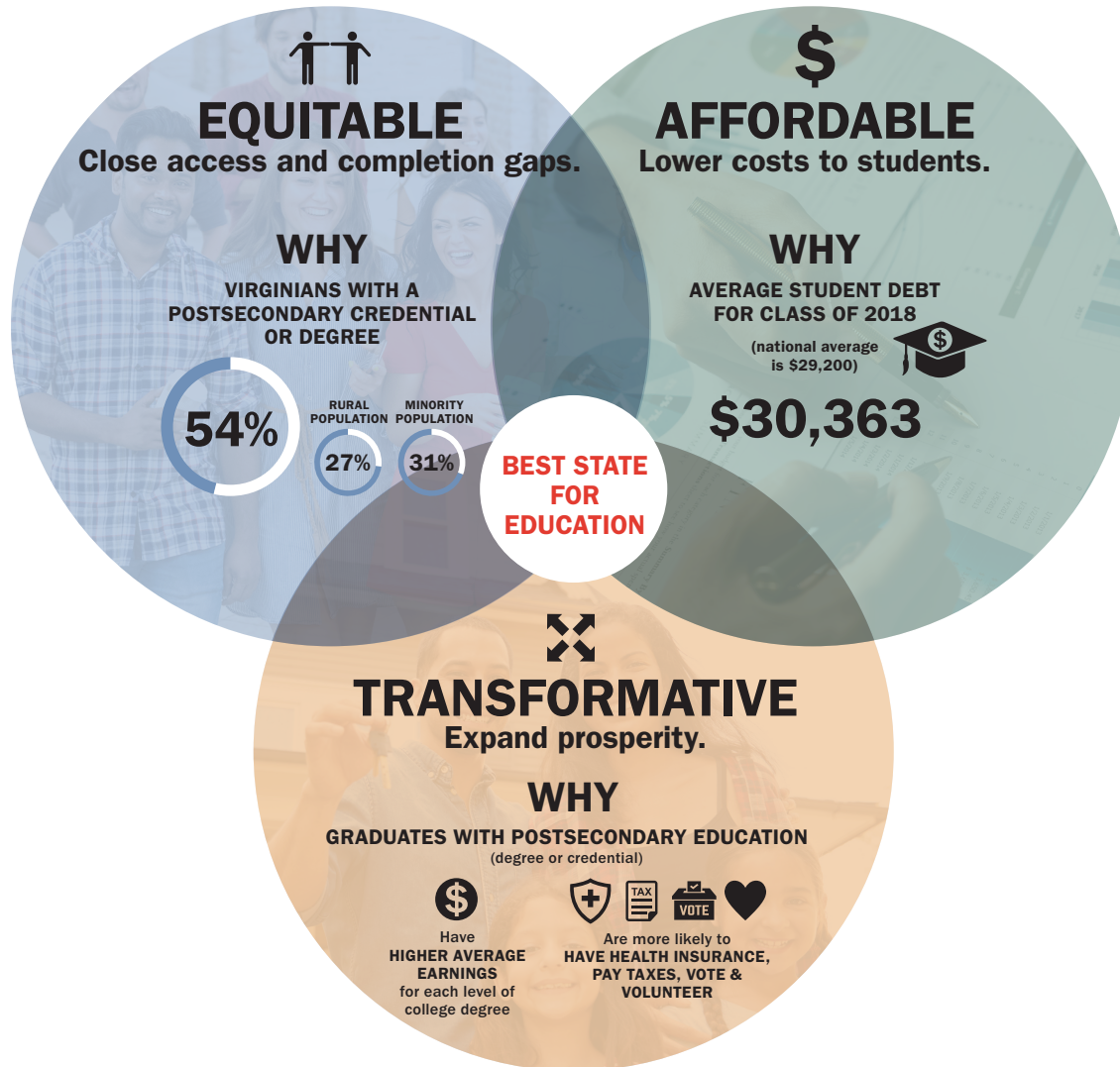


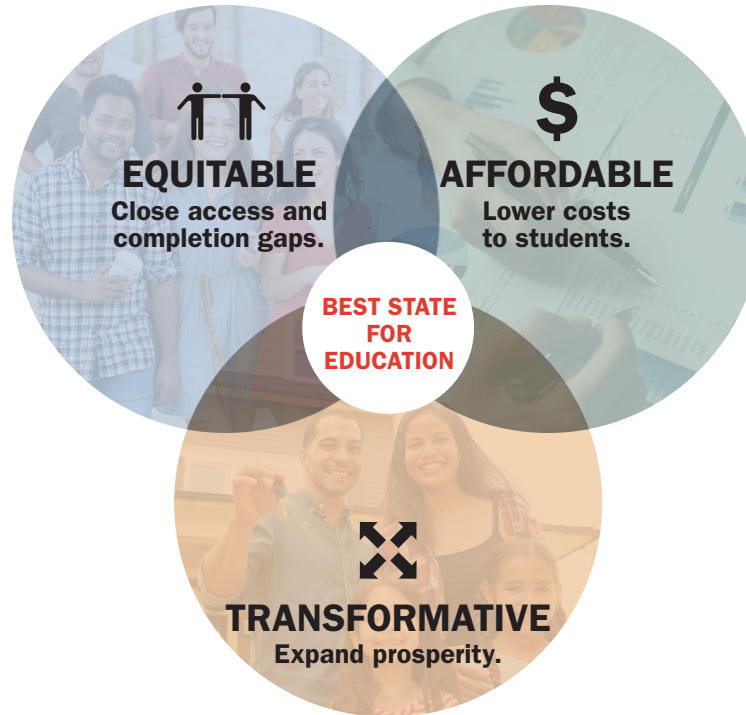
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Virginia seeks to be the best state for education by 2030.



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Remove barriers to access and attainment, especially for Black, Hispanic, Native American and rural students; students learning English as a second language; students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds; and students with disabilities.



Invest in and support the development of initiatives that provide cost savings to students while maintaining the effectiveness of instruction.

Increase the social, cultural and economic well-being of individuals and communities within the Commonwealth and its regions.

## SCHEV'S ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

As the coordinating body for higher education in Virginia, SCHEV staff work closely with the 13-member Council to advocate for and promote the development and operation of an educationally and economically sound, vigorous, progressive, and coordinated system of higher education in the Commonwealth. SCHEV's responsibilities cover the higher education areas of academic, budget and finance and research, including:

- Statewide Strategic Plan
- Academic Policy and New Program Approval Authority
- Educational Programs for Public Institution Board Members
- Certification of New Out-of-State and Private Institutions
- Data Collection and Analysis
- Finance Policy Analysis and Budget Recommendations
- Financial Aid Programs Oversight
- Institutional Performance Reviews
- Advisory Services to Nonprofit Private Higher Education