# Update on the Status of Colleges and Universities

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### **Overview**

- Tuition and fees for 2020-21
- Current status of institutional activities
- Early enrollment estimates
- Preview of spring semester
- 2021 Session budget considerations

### **Tuition and fees for 2020-21**

Institution Type	Charges	Amount Increase	Percent Increase	
Baccalaureate Institution Average				
Tuition and Mandatory E&G Fees	\$9,385	\$111	1.2%	
Mandatory Non-E&G Fees	\$4,517	\$92	2.1%	
Tuition and All Mandatory Fees	\$13,902	\$203	1.5%	
Room and Board	\$11,210	\$209	1.9%	
Total Charges	\$25,112	\$413	1.7%	
Virginia Community College System	<u>'</u>	<u>'</u>	'	
Tuition and Mandatory E&G Fees	\$4,606	\$0	0.0%	
Mandatory Non-E&G Fees	\$14	\$0	0.0%	
Total Charges	\$4,620	\$0	0.0%	
All Public Institutions' Average <sup>1</sup>		·		
Tuition and Mandatory E&G Fees	\$8,905	\$98	1.1%	
Mandatory Non-E&G Fees	\$4,110	\$81	2.0%	
Tuition and All Mandatory Fees	\$13,015	\$179	1.4%	
Room and Board	\$11,266	\$196	1.8%	
Total Charges <sup>2</sup>	\$23,618	\$364	1.6%	

#### Notes:

- (1) Includes Richard Bland College, a selective, residential, two-year college to prepare students for transfer to baccalaureate institutions.(2) Average charge for the majority of students at each type of institution, excluding tuition differentials extra charges to students attending some specialized programs.

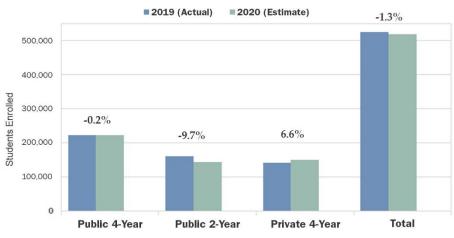
### **Current status of institutional activities**

- Substantially "open" but materially different
  - More online courses
  - More outside learning experiences
  - Fewer intercollegiate athletics activities
  - Testing, contact tracing, quarantines continue
- Teaching, learning, research and service continue
- Institutions are absorbing budget shocks (CARES, additional state funding, restructured debt)

## **Early enrollment estimates**

- Across the system, enrollment is down 1.3%, or 6,658 students
- At four-year public institutions:
  - Undergraduate enrollment is down 0.5%
  - Graduate enrollment is up 0.8%
  - First-year enrollment is down 10%
- Large variation among institutions

#### Fall Enrollment in Virginia Institutions by Sector



Source: SCHEV Early Enrollment Estimates, https://research.schev.edu/enrollment/EEE\_Reports.asp

## Early enrollment estimates

- Students are staying closer to home: in-state enrollment is up, out-of-state enrollment is down
- Students have other obligations: parttime enrollment is up, full-time enrollment is down
- Impact on low-income and minority students is unclear at present



## Early enrollment estimates

#### What we don't know yet:

- Differences in enrollment among new and continuing students
- Change in enrollment by race, ethnicity, income and locality
- Impact on dual enrollment and transfer

More details in mid-November



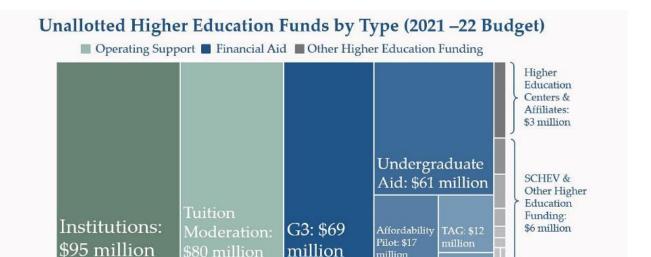
# Preview of spring 2021

- Optimism on enrollment: students who opted out in the fall may come back in the spring; less "melt"
- Getting better: remote learning will continue to be a practical and prevalent practice, and faculty and students will make it a more effective learning environment
- Schedule changes: spring break will look different



# 2021 Session budget considerations

- 2020 Session provided significant investment for higher education
- \$380+ million over the biennium
- Focused on closing gaps in attainment through affordability and services to students with highest need



This graphic shows the new higher education funding that was unallotted. We've organized the different items into major groups: operational support [green], financial aid [blue], and other higher education funding [grey]. The size of the rectangle is proportional to the amount of funds unallotted - the bigger the rectangle, the more funds removed. TAG stands for Tuition Assistance Grant, which is a financial aid program for in-state students at non-profit, private institutions. Affordability pilots represent financial aid programs for students near NSU and VSU. "Other Higher Education Funding" includes Higher Education Centers, affiliates and SCHEV (agency-specific and pass-through funds). Funds are rounded to the nearest million.

Graduate Aid - \$3 million

## **2021 Session budget considerations**

#### **Special Session funding compared to 2020 General Session conference report**

	FY 2021	FY 2022
Special Session funding for higher education	\$121 million	\$51 million
Total higher education funding from 2020 general session conference report (prior to unallotment)	\$205 million	\$193 million
% of funds from Special Session of total from general session conference report	59%	26%

Note: Amounts include funding provided to institutions, higher education centers, SCHEV, Tech Talent, the Higher Education Equipment Trust Fund and research activities.

# Questions

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