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Aimed at enhancing data transparency and inspiring action among all Southern State team members, a new webinar series launched on September 2. Through this inaugural seven-part series, participants will gain exposure to often compartmentalized data and broaden their understanding of the inputs and outputs that keep the College running.

The first webinar, perhaps the most complex of all topics, provided participants with a highlevel view of Ohio's State Share of Instruction and the funding formula which informs the model. Thirty-seven guests joined the webinar. Despite the depth and complexity of the first webinar, I am hopeful participants will join in for the remainder of the series:

Un-coding IPEDS, VFA, HEI, NSC, and more (October) Trends in the Student Body Profile (November) The Financial Dashboard (February) What is early momentum, and why does it matter? (March) Our Value: Southern State's Economic Impact (A pril) Assessment: What is it? How do we measure it? Why should we care? (May)

Since my last report, I have been involved in the following meetings, calls, and events:

Highland County Workforce Leadership Council Meeting Southern State Foundation Quarterly Meeting Appalachian Community Grant Meeting (Joint: Adams, Brown, and Highland) Call with ODHE Chancellor Gardner and Chief of Staff Bennett (Higher Ed Budget) Deeper Data Dive Series | Webinar 1 (State Share of Instruction) Virtual Office hours can be arranged via appointment. Please email <u>mclevenger@sscc.edu</u>.

The first high school FAFSA workshop is on September 22 at Georgetown High School. To date, there are 13 workshops scheduled – a 50 percent increase over 2021.

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PearsonVue Industry certification testing. Interviews for staffing are currently underway.

The summer semester ended on Tuesday, August 2. A total of 35 degrees, three certificates, and 21 less-than-1-year (LT1) certifications were completed.

Degrees/Certificates	Conferred 8/2/2022	Less-Than-1 Year (LT1) Certifications	
AA	16	Police Academy	5

The annual Health and Wellness Fair is scheduled for Friday, October 7, in the Patriot Center. This event is open to full-time employees and spouses on the College's medical plan.

Dr. Tatiana Luna-Pineda joins the College as a full-time Chemistry Instructor. Previously, she taught at The Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico, where she taught remotely in the areas of Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Organic Chemistry.

Charlie Gorman, who retired in 2019, is returning to teach full-time in Human and Social Services.

On September 1, Jason Sharrett joined the Southern State team in a full-time capacity as the Distance Learning Support Specialist. In this role, he will support and train new and existing faculty for course design, development, and delivery of online courses through the College's learning management software, Canvas. Jason has also served as a Social Science Adjunct since 2016, teaching History courses.

On August 29, Loren O'Cull came to the College after 24 years at Hitachi Astemo Manufacturing in Blanchester (formerly American Showa), where he served as Facility Assistant Manager. He brings a wealth of facilities experience and knowledge that will be instrumental in preventative maintenance and projects such as restroom and HVAC renovations and upgrading other core mechanical systems.

On August 22, Lisa Hord

Pre-application strategizing is occurring across the region in anticipation of the release of the \$500 million Appalachian Community Grant guidelines. In Highland County, Southern State has been invited to host a sub-working group for the Workforce Development component of the grant opportunity. Amy McClellan is leading this group with representation across various sectors within the region. Early directions include Health Care, Computer Technology, and Manufacturing.

Southern State Community College was a recipient of the Short-Term Certificate III Funding Grant in the amount of \$106,000. The grant is used to support need-based financial assistance to students in less than one-year programs and receive a certificate or industry-recognized credential as awarded in an in-demand job. Previously, Southern State was awarded \$97,000 in the first round and \$105,000 in the second round; additionally, \$20,000 has been received through an additional award for Foster students to support the same program initiatives. Programs that are eligible for funding include some areas of Medical Assisting, Computer Science, Real Estate, Police Academy, Real Estate and Truck Driving Academy.

Month	2020-2021 AY	2021-2022 AY	2022-2023 AY
July	16	15	16
August	7	12	25
September	20	15	

The final session in the Summer Law Enforcement Continuing Education classes were held at the Brown County Campus. Attendees represented three local law enforcement departments from in and around the county.

Virtual Skills and Certification Training
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	General Upskilling Course Enrollment	Certification Enrollment
Clients Served (August)	7	5