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To:	Community Colleges, Senior Public Institutions, and Public-Mission Independent Institutions
From:	Vance T. Stephens, Director of Policy, New Jersey Office of the Secretary of Higher Education
Date:	March 19, 2025
Subject:	Reminder to Complete IHE Student Community Engagement Survey by April 4

The Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE) reminds institutions that the statewide higher education presidents' coalition, Engage NJ, is seeking to better understand the merits and impact of increasing civic learning experiences in higher education at public and private two-year and four-year institutions of higher education.

A short survey was distributed in the February 20, 2025 Broadcast. OSHE reminds institutions to **complete the survey by Friday, April 4, 2025, 5:00 p.m.** Academic affairs and/or student affairs offices may be best positioned to complete the survey, but an institution may designate any office or individual to submit a response. Submit only one response per institution. The survey should take no longer than 15 to 20 minutes to complete.

Link to complete survey, https://oshe.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cHj7kt1TETPIzLo.

Questions may be directed to OSHE Director of Policy, Vance.Stephens@oshe.nj.gov.

Please see a preview of the survey and all questions attached.

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Please select your institution. This information is used only to validate one response per institution.

○ Atlantic Cape Community College

○ Bergen Community College

○ Brookdale Community College

○ Caldwell University

○ Camden County College

○ Centenary University

○ County College of Morris

○ Drew University

○ Essex County College

○ Fairleigh Dickinson University- Florham

○ Fairleigh Dickinson University- Metro

○ Felician University

○ Georgian Court University

○ Hudson County Community College

○ Kean University

○ Mercer County Community College

○ Middlesex College

○ Monmouth University

○ Montclair State University

○ New Jersey City University

- ○ New Jersey Institute of Technology

- ○ Ocean County College

- ○ Passaic County Community College

- ○ Pillar College

- ○ Princeton University

- ○ Ramapo College of New Jersey

- ○ Raritan Valley Community College

- ○ Rider University

- ○ Rowan College at Burlington County

- ○ Rowan College of South Jersey

- ○ Rowan University

- ○ Rutgers University-Camden

- ○ Rutgers University-Newark

- ○ Rutgers University-New Brunswick

- ○ Saint Elizabeth University

- ○ Saint Peter's University

- ○ Salem Community College

- ○ Seton Hall University

- ○ Stevens Institute of Technology

- ○ Stockton University

- ○ Sussex County College

○ The College of New Jersey

○ Thomas Edison State University

○ Union College of UCNJ

○ Warren County College

○ William Paterson University

Are *community engagement for students (CES)*, *community-engaged learning (CEL)*, or similar terms articulated in your institution's strategic plan?

○ Yes

○ No

Please provide examples of how these terms are defined in your institution's strategic plan.

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Are *community engagement for students (CES)*, *community-engaged learning (CEL)*, or similar terms articulated in your institution's admissions materials?

○ Yes

○ No

Please provide examples of how these terms are referenced in your institution's admissions materials.

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Are _community engagement for students (CES)_, _community-engaged learning (CEL)_, or similar student experiences integrated into your institution's career services job placement or career trajectory strategies?

○ Yes

○ No

Please provide examples of how these experiences inform your institution's career services strategies.

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How are CES and/or CEL opportunities organized, advanced, and tracked at your institution? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Institution-wide Centralized Office

- ☐ Multiple Decentralized Offices (e.g., per college, school, department)

- ☐ Informal Structures (e.g., academic advisors, faculty-led, peer leaders)

- ☐ Other (Please Explain) _____

Did your institution have an institutional budget for community engagement?

- ○ Yes

- ○ No

What were the sources of overall spending for community engagement? Please include approximate whole dollar amounts.
Operating Budget : _____
External Grants : _____
Endowment : _____
Alumni Groups : _____
Oher (please explain) : _____
Total : _____

Please respond to the following sets of questions using whole numbers. If you do not know a value, please enter N/A.

○ Number of offices directly involved in community engagement - curricular and/or co-curricular _____

○ Number of FTE staff directly involved in community engagement - curricular and/or co-curricular _____

○ Number of faculty directly involved in community-engaged learning and/or research involving students _____

○ Number of community partners serving as sites of community engagement for students (CES) and/or community-engaged learning (CEL)

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○ Total budget directly spent on community engagement for students (CES) [Answer in whole dollars] _____

How many distinct academic/curricular community-engaged learning experiences are available at your institution?

○ For first-year students _____

○ For non-first-year students

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How many distinct non-academic/co-curricular community-engaged experiences are available at your institution?

○ For first-year students _____

○ For non-first-year students

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How many first-year students participate in community-engaged experiences?

○ Academic/Curricular, completing 30 hours or more per year

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○ Academic/Curricular, completing fewer than 30 hours per year

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○ Academic/Curricular, unknown number of hours

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○ Non-academic/Co-curricular, completing 30 hours or more per year

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○ Non-academic/Co-curricular, completing fewer than 30 hours per year

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○ Non-academic/Co-curricular, unknown number of hours

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How many non-first-year students participate in community-engaged experiences?

○ Academic/Curricular, completing 30 hours or more per year

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○ Academic/Curricular, completing fewer than 30 hours per year

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○ Academic/Curricular, unknown number of hours

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○ Non-academic/Co-curricular, completing 30 hours or more per year

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○ Non-academic/Co-curricular, completing fewer than 30 hours per year

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○ Non-academic/Co-curricular, unknown number of hours

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Please include your name, title, and email address. This information will be used only if necessary to confirm your responses.

○ Name _____

○ Title _____

○ Email Address _____