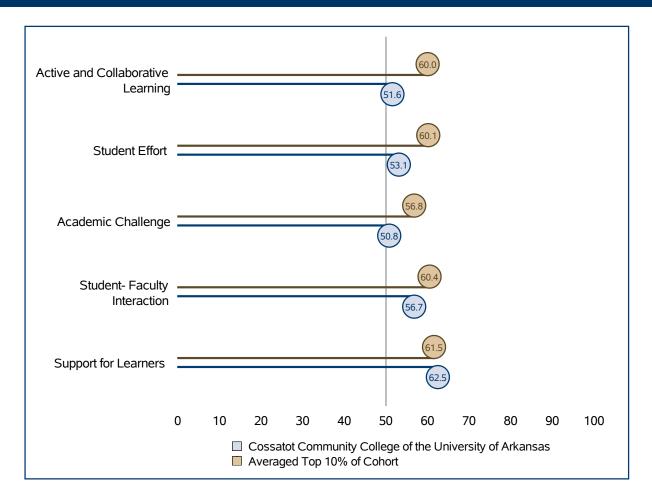
Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas

CCSSE 2020 Executive Summary of Results



Center for Community College Student Engagement

Standardized Benchmark Scores



The *CCSSE* benchmarks are groups of conceptually related survey items that address key areas of student engagement. The five benchmarks denote areas that educational research has shown to be important to students' college experiences and educational outcomes. Therefore, they provide colleges with a useful starting point for looking at institutional results and allow colleges to gauge and monitor their performance in areas that are central to their work. In addition, participating colleges have the opportunity to make appropriate and useful comparisons between their performance and that of groups of other colleges.

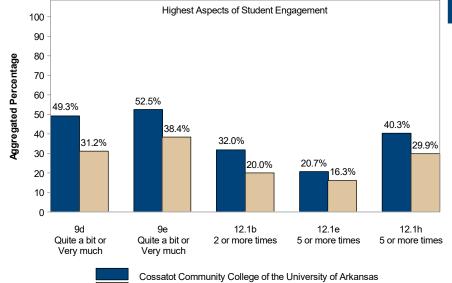
Performing as well as the national average or a peer-group average may be a reasonable initial aspiration, but it is important to recognize that these averages are sometimes unacceptably low. Aspiring to match and then exceed high-performance targets is the stronger strategy.

Therefore, provided above is a comparison of your college's standardized benchmark scores with the averaged benchmark scores from the top 10% of the current three-year cohort. Due to COVID-19, only 23 colleges were able to complete the administration of *CCSSE* 2020 in the classroom. The 2020 three-year cohort, therefore, consists of 2020 data from these 23 colleges and 2018 and 2019 data from all participating colleges excluding these 23.

For further information about *CCSSE* benchmarks and how they are computed, please visit www.cccse.org.

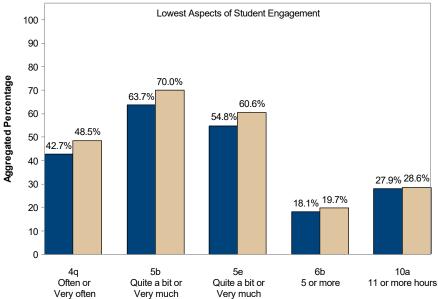
Highest and Lowest Aspects of Student Engagement





2020 CCSSE Cohort

Item	Benchmark
9d. Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	Support for Learners
9e. Providing the support you need to thrive socially	Support for Learners
12.1b. Frequency: Career counseling	Support for Learners
12.1e. Frequency: Skill labs (writing, math, etc.)	Student Effort
12.1h. Frequency: Computer lab	Student Effort



Item	Benchmark
4q. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.)	Active and Collaborative Learning
5b. Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory	Academic Challenge
5e. Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations	Academic Challenge
6b. Number of books read on your own (not assigned)	Student Effort
10a. Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, doing homework, or other activities related to your program)	Student Effort

One way to dig more deeply into benchmark scores is to analyze those items that contribute to the overall benchmark score. This section features the five items across all benchmarks on which the college scored highest and the five items on which the college scored lowest relative to the 2020 CCSSE Cohort. It is important to note that some colleges' highest mean scores may be lower than the cohort mean, and conversely, some colleges' lowest mean scores may be higher than the cohort mean.

While examining these data, keep in mind that the selected items may not be those that are most closely aligned with the college's goals; thus, it is important to review all institutional reports on the CCSSE online reporting system at www.cccse.org.

Notes

For Item(s) 4 (except 4e), often and very often responses are combined

For Item(s) 5, quite a bit and very much responses are combined. For Item(s) 6, 5–10, 11–20, and more than 20 responses are combined.

For Item(s) 9, quite a bit and very much responses are combined.

For Item 10a, 11-20, 21-30, and more than 30 responses are combined.

For Item(s) 12.1a and 12.1b, 2-4 times and 5 or more times responses are combined because these services are typically used less frequently.



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