This Research Note provides the Association of Community College Trustees' (ACCT) Policy Action Agenda for Student Success¹. This policy action agenda lists steps that can be completed by a community college to increase student success.

**STRATEGIC GOALS**
1. Reaffirm the mission of the college and its commitment to ensure access, success, and equity for all students, while affirming that quality must undergird all credentials granted by the institution.
2. Ensure that the institutional strategic plan gives priority to student success and equity and aligns the institutional budget with student success goals.
3. Request and endorse a completion agenda framework for your institution, including consistent and comparable definitions for completion and student success such as those included in the Voluntary Framework of Accountability, to ensure uniformity and quality.

**PARTNERSHIPS**
4. Strengthen partnerships with colleges and universities and PreK-12 systems, particularly in the areas of articulation, assessment, placement, and college readiness.
5. Engage employers, workforce boards, and community organizations to ensure the value of associate degrees and certificates and their relevance to local and regional labor markets.

**MEASUREMENTS AND METRICS**
6. Commit to track all entering student cohorts for at least five years and examine cohort data to determine the effectiveness of developmental education and other programs.
7. Ensure that metrics for institutional performance and student success incorporate employment and wage data for college graduates.
8. Require that measures of student success be prominently featured in periodic institutional reports to the board.
9. Invest in building institutional capacity for data- and evidenced-informed work, including development of data systems and institutional research.
10. Align board self-evaluation and president/CEO evaluation with defined student success measures.