

COLLEGE NOW: LANE COURSES TAUGHT IN HIGH SCHOOL

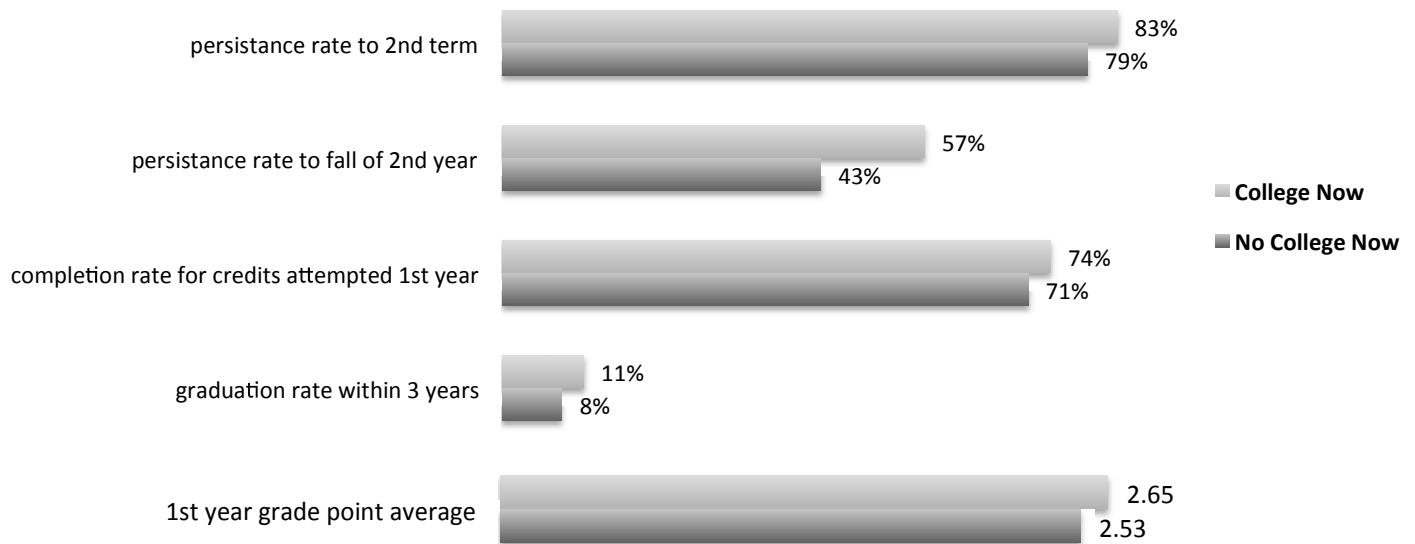
At over 40 public high schools across Lane County and as far away as Grants Pass and Hermiston, high school students earn Lane Community College credit by taking **College Now** courses. Coordinated by Lane’s **High School Connections** program, College Now courses follow Lane curriculum guidelines but are taught in high schools by high school teachers approved as proxy Lane faculty.

- From 2010 through 2015, Lane offered 177 distinct College Now courses in 48 subjects;
- During the same period, 21% of all Lane credit students were actually high school students taking College Now courses;
- Since 2007, 16% of Lane’s new award seeking students have previously attempted at least one College Now course;
- During the 2014/15 academic year, 32% of all Lane County public high school students took a Lane College Now course;
- Participation rates were even higher at key feeder schools such as South Eugene (39%) and Sheldon (50%);

College Now is a major contributor to Lane enrollments, directly as well as indirectly through recruitment after high school. Contrary to the notion that College Now students snub community college, research shows that students who take Lane College Now courses are actually more likely than others to enroll at Lane after high school.

COLLEGE NOW AND STUDENT SUCCESS

Besides coming to Lane at a higher rate than others, College Now students appear to be somewhat more successful when they get here.



Note: It is important not to assume that differences seen here are necessarily or entirely caused by College Now participation. It is possible, for instance, that College Now attracts disproportionate numbers of higher aptitude students or students from advantaged backgrounds. To help control for confounding variables, the “No College Now” samples are limited to students under the age of 22 and both “College Now” and “No College Now” samples are limited to students new to Lane in a fall term.