

Student Achievement Initiative Momentum Point Calculation for WorkFirst

How do Colleges Realize Student Achievement Rewards?

A college derives financial rewards when its student achievement improves...that is, when the total momentum points earned by its students go up.

How will the Momentum Points be calculated?

One point is awarded each time a college student....

- Makes nationally recognized standardized test gains in math or in English language reading or listening as measured by pre- and post-testing or by earning a GED or high school diploma
- Passes a remedial math or English course with a qualifying grade to advance toward college-level work
- Earns the first 15 college-level credits
- Earns the first 30 college-level credits
- Completes the first 5 college-level math credits
- Earns a certificate backed by at least one year of college, earns a two-year degree or completes an apprenticeship

What portion of my WorkFirst allocation will be based on Momentum Points?

- Prior to each academic year, SBCTC will provide the WorkFirst Delivery Agreement grant amount based on the total dollars available for awards.
- 20% of the WorkFirst Delivery Agreement grant is subject to Momentum Point performance.

How will the Awards be distributed?

- Each college's WorkFirst award is dependent upon their share of student achievement performance relative to one another.
- The initial baseline year is 2008-09 and the first performance year is 2009-10.
- The first performance report will be distributed in October 2010 and will adjust each college's base allocation for FY11.