The National Association of Community College Teacher Education Programs (NACCTEP), as an Affiliate Council of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), has chosen to align its 2013-14 strategic plan with seven key initiatives identified by the organization.

The seven initiatives are outlined in the AACC’s “Reclaiming the American Dream: Community Colleges and the Nation’s Future” report. The report emphasizes the importance that a highly educated population has on economic growth and prosperity. Therefore, NACCTEP is embracing the challenge of improving teacher education to help reclaim the “American Dream.”

NACCTEP CATEGORIES

Governance
Transformational servant leadership to provide and strengthen active support, voice and advocacy for quality community college teacher education programs.

Sustainability
To maintain NACCTEP as a healthy and viable organization.

Board Expectations
To be actively engaged and promote the mission and goals of NACCTEP, including, but not limited to: commitment, outreach, professionalism and currency, leadership and collegiality.
The graph below represents the seven recommendations highlighted in the AACC’s “Reclaiming the American Dream” report.

The initiatives fall under three categories:
**REDESIGN** - Students’ educational experiences
**REINVENT** - Institutional roles
**RESET** - The system to create incentives for student and institutional success

In 2013-14, NACCTEP will focus on three of the seven recommendations:
- **R1** - Increase student completion rates
- **R4** - Refocus the community college mission and redefine the institutional roles
- **R6** - Target public and private investments

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### R1 REDESIGN

**Advocate and articulate the role of the community college.**

Action Step 1: Identify successful community college programs that represent the continuum of teacher education training nationally.
Action Step 2: Review and promote best practices such as INTASC.
Action Step 3: Disseminate to NACCTEP membership.

**Review best practices and promote electronically.**

Action Step 1: Best practices webinars.
Action Step 2: Increase NACCTEP electronic presence on Facebook and Twitter.
Action Step 3: Disseminate to NACCTEP membership.

**Set the Board’s direction.**

Action Step 1: Use direction as a guide to meet the 21st Century goals.

### AACC Recommendations

#### Increase Student Completion Rates
- **R1**

#### Improve College Readiness
- **R2**

#### Close the American Skills Gaps
- **R3**

#### Refocus CC Mission to Meet 21st Century Education
- **R4**

#### Support Services to Serve Multi Institutions and Partners
- **R5**

#### Target Public and Private Investments
- **R6**

#### Promote Rigor, Transparency & Accountability
- **R7**

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### R4 REINVENT

**Refine NACCTEP’s mission statement to align with AACC and 21st Century Education.**

Action Step 1: Define AACC’s 21st Century Education.
Action Step 2: Board would develop a draft mission statement.
Action Step 3: Board will adopt and implement a new mission statement.

**Suggest and support digital age classroom technologies that support student achievement.**

Action Step 1: Develop a national conference strand to provide members with detailed information regarding resources and uses of technology in the early childhood - 12th grade classroom.

### R6 RESET

**NACCTEP will create a clearinghouse of public and private investments that best serve our membership.**

Action Step 1: Promote resources.
Action Step 2: Promote grant deadlines and timelines.

**NACCTEP to apply for grants**

Action Step 1: Submit for NSF grant.

**NACCTEP Board will prioritize grant funding needs for its organization.**

Action Step 1: Examine the possibility of becoming an ATE Center.