Core content skills

• Core academics tied to the Illinois Learning Standards, including the Common Core
• Technical knowledge & skills specific to career pathways and/or
• Technical knowledge & skills specific to in-depth academic pursuits

Employability & Interpersonal skills

• Collaboration & teamwork
• Ownership of learning & results
• Self-management
• Cultural competency
• Information, Media, & Technology Skills
• Civic awareness & engagement
• Leadership
• Independence & initiative
• Creativity

Thinking skills

• Critical and applied thinking
• Learning techniques
• Research & scientific method
• Formulating & stating problems
• Data analysis & interpretation

College & career knowledge & navigation

• Understanding of postsecondary system & how to access
• How to transition to/within workplace
• Financial literacy & its application to college & career navigation

The P-20 Council's goal is "to increase the proportion of Illinoisans with high-quality degrees and credentials to 60 percent by the year 2025. Today, only about 41 percent of the state's nearly 7 million working-age adults (25-64 years old) hold at least a two-year degree."