# **Redlands Community College**

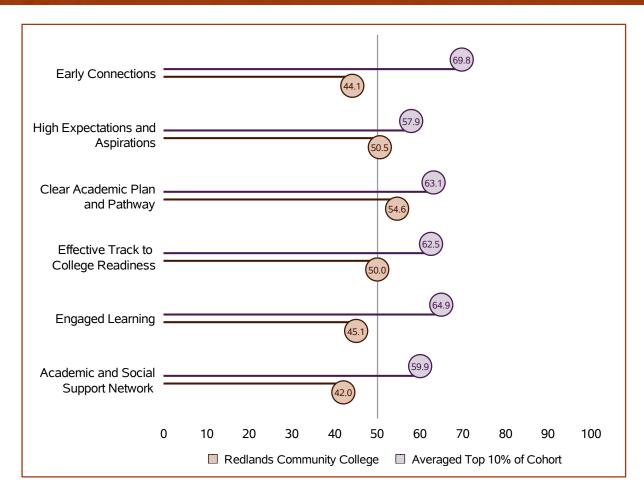
### **SENSE 2019 Executive Summary of Results**



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# Standardized Benchmark Scores



The *SENSE* benchmarks are groups of conceptually related survey items that address key areas of student engagement. The six benchmarks denote areas that educational research has shown to be important to students' early college experiences and educational outcomes. Therefore, they provide colleges with a useful starting point for looking at institutional results and allow colleges to gauge and monitor their performance in areas that are central to their work. In addition, participating colleges have the opportunity to make appropriate and useful comparisons between their performance and that of groups of other colleges.

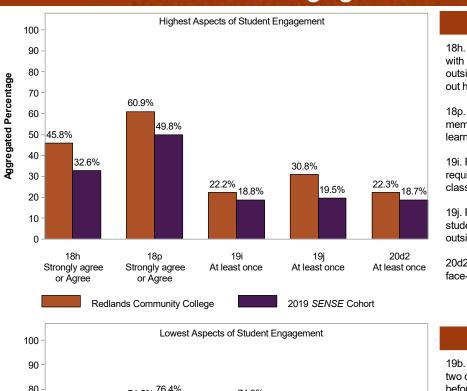
Performing as well as the national average or a peer-group average may be a reasonable initial aspiration, but it is important to recognize that these averages are sometimes unacceptably low. Aspiring to match and then exceed high-performance targets is the stronger strategy.

Therefore, provided above is a comparison of your college's standardized benchmark scores with the averaged benchmark scores from the top 10% of the current three-year cohort.

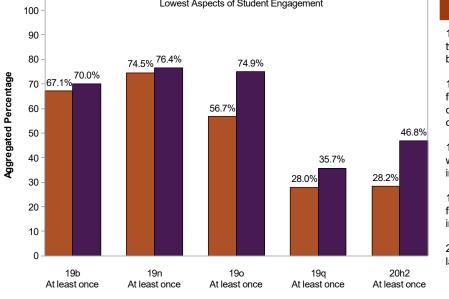
For further information about *SENSE* benchmarks and how they are computed, please visit <u>www.cccse.org</u>.

Note: Benchmark scores are standardized to have a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 25 across all respondents.

#### Highest and Lowest Aspects of Student Engagement



Benchmark Item 18h. A college staff member talked **Clear Academic** with me about my commitments Plan & Pathway outside of school to help me figure out how many courses to take 18p. At least one college staff Early member (other than an instructor) Connections learned my name 19i. Frequency: Participated in a Engaged required study group outside of Learning class 19j. Frequency: Participated in a Engaged student-initiated study group Learning outside of class 20d2. Frequency: Used Engaged face-to-face tutoring Learning



19b. Frequency: Prepared at least Engaged two drafts of a paper or assignment Learning before turning it in 19n. Frequency: Asked for help Engaged from an instructor regarding Learning questions or problems related to a class 19o. Frequency: Received prompt Engaged written or oral feedback from Learning instructors on your performance 19q. Frequency: Discussed ideas Engaged from your readings or classes with Learning instructors outside of class 20h2. Frequency: Used computer Engaged lab Learning

Item

**Benchmark** 

One way to dig more deeply into benchmark scores is to analyze those items that contribute to the overall benchmark score. This section features the five items across all benchmarks (excluding those for which means are not calculated) on which the college scored highest and the five items on which the college scored lowest relative to the 2019 *SENSE* Cohort. It is important to note that some colleges' highest mean scores may be lower than the cohort mean, and conversely, some colleges' lowest mean scores may be higher than the cohort mean.

While examining these data, keep in mind that the selected items may not be those that are most closely aligned with the college's goals; thus, it is important to review all institutional reports on the *SENSE* online reporting system at <u>www.cccse.org</u>.

Notes:

For Item(s) 18, strongly agree and agree responses are combined.

For Item(s) 19, except 19c, 19d, 19f, and 19s, once, two or three times, and four or more times responses are combined.

For Item(s) 20, once, two or three times, and four or more times responses are combined.



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