West Virginia State University's (WVSU) full mission statement is an in-depth commitment which specifically includes the University’s history, dedication to delivering a quality education, an expression of our core values and more. West Virginia State University’s mission includes the following, which succinctly defines and directs the University’s efforts:

*West Virginia State University will meet the higher education and economic development needs of the state and region through innovative teaching and applied research.*

An essential component to West Virginia State University achieving successful reaffirmation of accreditation is that the institution’s mission is clear and articulated publicly, and it guides the institution’s operations. Throughout campus, in various locations, the mission statement is on display as a reminder to every member of the State family as to why we are here, how we are making a difference in the lives of our students and those in the community.

We are driven by our mission. WVSU’s mission statement, developed to follow the broad goals of a land-grant institution, is embraced by the community. We are fulfilling the needs of our state and region through innovative teaching and applied research that occurs each and every day on this campus and wherever there is a Yellow Jacket working.

We are also driven by our collective vision:

*West Virginia State University will become the most student-centered, research and teaching, land-grant institution in the State of West Virginia and beyond.*

WVSU works to achieve its mission and vision by working with students to help them achieve their goals. Together, our students, faculty, staff and alumni go to great lengths to support the educational needs of the community - we are making a difference in many, many lives. The University continues to share its goodwill with the public, but there are more opportunities for WVSU to strengthen the relationship between the University and the public-at-large.

For more information about The Road to State’s Reaffirmation 2015, please click here to discover in-depth information about the process, read the University’s Self-Study Report, and more!

For questions or comments regarding the University’s reaffirmation of accreditation process or the self-study report, please send all inquiries and information to reaffirmation@wvstateu.edu or call (304) 204-4300.