Massachusetts schools lead the U.S., yet challenges remain

#1 Ranked by national KIDS COUNT project as the top state for education each year since 2012

Annie E. Casey Foundation

8th graders lead the nation in math performance (proficient & advanced on NAEP math test 2015)

The Nation’s Report Card

#4th

Our students earn the highest ACT scores and rank 4th in the U.S. on AP tests

ACT & College Board

47% of all Mass 4th graders are not proficient in reading

DESE 2015

32% of high school graduates entering public colleges in 2014 needed academic remediation

Rennie Condition of Education 2016

13% of students missed school at a chronically high level in 2015 (18 or more days)

DESE 2015

Evidence-based strategies to support kids from Pre-K to 12th grade

For full reports and two-page summaries on each topic, go to www.expandingopportunity.org.

PRE-K

Early Education and Care
High quality Pre-kindergarten for 3- and 4-year-olds

Small Class Sizes in K-3
Class size reductions in lower grades at high-poverty schools

Support for New Teachers
Mentoring, training, and other support for new teachers

Career, Vocational, & Technical Education

Community-Based Learning Opportunities

Dual-Enrollment in College Courses During High School

Individualized Learning Plans

Multiple Pathways to Graduation

Community-Based Social Services
Health clinics, mental and behavioral health services, family resource centers

Wraparound Social Services

Additional Learning Time
Summer learning, extended school days, and after-school

College, Career, and Life Success for All Young People

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