An Education Action Plan for Arizona

Top 10 Priorities to Meet the Achieve60AZ Goal

Arizona has an ambitious goal to reach 60% attainment — the number of Arizonans ages 25-64 with a certificate, license, or degree — by 2030, which is key to unlocking greater personal and economic prosperity in our state.

These 10 priorities, listed in non-hierarchical order, include the top actions that matter most for improving teaching, learning, and student outcomes to achieve progress toward the Achieve60AZ goal.

01 Increase educator pay and implement strategies to improve recruitment and retention, including a statewide mentoring and induction program.

02 Offer state-supported full-day Kindergarten and inclusive pre-K.

03 Recruit and retain a highly-qualified early childhood workforce, with a focus on wages and expansion of the Arizona Teachers Academy, in alignment with Preschool Development grant shared goals.

04 Increase and sustain professional development, coaching, and support for educators in reading and math.

05 Create a math equivalent to Read On Arizona.

06 Start the Education Career Action Plan (ECAP) in 8th grade, and provide counselors and teachers with support and training.

07 Increase equitable access to dual and concurrent enrollment.

08 Increase the number of school counselors, psychologists, transition specialists, and social workers in Arizona schools.

09 Expand the Arizona Promise scholarship program to low-income, DACA and undocumented students; students with disabilities; and students attending community colleges.

10 Implement a long-term P-20 funding solution that mitigates the impact of Prop. 123 and the COVID-relief funding ending in 2024-25.

Read the complete Action Plan at: EducationForwardArizona.org/AZ60ActionPlan