



A Call to Action

To prepare all Maine people for a stronger economy, better jobs, and a brighter future, we need a high-quality education system that spans early childhood through lifelong learning.

We call on all elected officials and candidates, business and civic leaders, parents, educators, students and taxpayers to commit to advancing these core priorities for building a high-quality early childhood, K–12, college and workforce training system:

1. **Quality early learning experiences give all children equal opportunity for healthy growth and development.**
2. **High standards and personalized learning opportunities maximize success for all.**
3. **Effective, knowledgeable and well-trained teachers in every classroom and strong school, community and state leadership to support effective teaching.**
4. **Engaged parents, families and communities set high expectations for academic achievement and work together to build a high-quality education system.**
5. **Expanded access to and support for college and workforce training dramatically increases the number of Maine people earning occupational certificates, degrees and the well-paying jobs to which they lead.**
6. **Collection and analysis of reliable data from early childhood through employment allows teachers, leaders and communities to identify what's working in our education system and to fix what isn't.**
7. **Efficient and equitable investment of resources maximizes opportunity, equity and accountability in our education system.**

The PREPARE MAINE initiative will identify and elevate the best practices, policies and models that are providing Maine people with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in college, career, citizenship and life.

As a partner in this initiative, _____ supports these core priorities and will collaborate with the Maine Coalition for Excellence in Education in communicating their importance to all Maine people and in calling for a greater focus on them in state and local educational decision making.

Signature

Title

Organization

Date _____

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