

WHERE WE STAND 2006

We remain committed to achieving the promise of Maine's **Learning Results** and making them effective for all Maine students through a range of legislative and public initiatives. Specifically, we will:

- Work to re-energize the Maine business community and urge them to take a more prominent role in the sustained efforts to continuously improve education for ALL Maine students. MCEE will emphasize the need for business to be upfront and present to ensure the **economic prosperity** of Maine and the quality of a future workforce that has the knowledge and skills necessary for the *21st century*.
- Re-affirm our commitment to a **standards based education and diploma** as a way to ensure **equity** for all Maine students and to guarantee that Maine students graduate high school *ready for college, career and citizenship*.
- Foster and support a system of **accountability**. To convince Maine residents and businesses that education is an investment for the future, we must ensure that we are getting better results – that student performance is improving and that citizens are assured that the money spent on education is a wise investment.
- Work with other stakeholder groups on the **Maine Readiness Campaign** that will create a **shared commitment** that all Maine high school students will **graduate ready** for *college, career, and citizenship* in the global society and economy of the 21st century; and, to support our high schools as they make the necessary changes to achieve this goal.

SUCCESS BEGINS WITH EDUCATION