



## THE RESULTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES: INVEST IN KIDS

States across the country have seen the benefits of education policies that put kids first

### TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

- Part-time and full-time college enrollment by African-American students increased by 24 and 31 percent, respectively. (Journal of Public Economics)
- Enrollment by African-American students at selective colleges more than doubled from 3 to 8 percent. (Journal of Public Economics)
- During the 2014–15 school year, the School Scholarship Tax Credit program saved the state of **Indiana** an estimated \$23.2 million.

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Arizona implemented a school options program in 1998 and to date, more than 77,500 taxpayers have participated, providing over \$500 million in scholarship money.

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### PUBLIC SCHOOL TAX CREDITS

- Low income kids who participated in arts education were 4 more times likely to have high academic achievement and 3 times more likely to have high attendance than those who didn't. (The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities)
- Men who participated in high school sports demonstrate higher levels of leadership, enjoy higher-status careers, and exhibit more prosocial behavior than non-athletes, including volunteering more frequently and donating more to charity. (Journal of Leadership & Organizational Studies)

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Pennsylvania has more than 200 diverse organizations providing innovative programming, such as arts and enrichment, to public schools.

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- An analysis of 10 years of SAT data revealed that students who took four years of arts courses in high school earned the highest scores on both the verbal and math SAT, (College Board)

### TEACHER TAX CREDIT

- 35 states are providing less funding per student for the 2013-14 school year than they did before 2007.
- 99.5 percent of public school teachers spent a collective \$1.6 billion of their own money during the 2012-2013 school year on out-of-pocket expenses, according to the National Center for Education Statistics