

### Hispanic Federation

Mission: To empower and advance the Hispanic community.

### **Service Pillars**

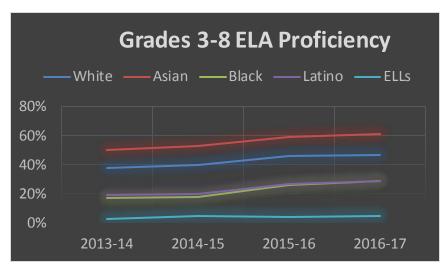
- Membership Services and Capacity Building
- Policy Advocacy
- Community Programs

### **Program and Advocacy Areas**

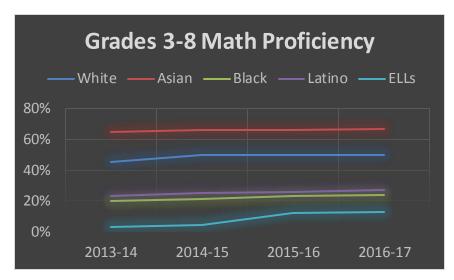
- Civic Engagement
- Economic Empowerment
- Education
- Environmental Justice
- Health
- Immigration



### **New York State: P-12 Latino Academic Progress**



Over 20% Increase In Overall ELA Achievement from 2013-17



10% Increase In Overall Math Achievement from 2013-17

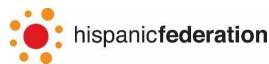
#### **Latinos and English Language Arts**

- In 2017, Latinos were 29% Proficient in English Language Arts as compared to 47% of White students and 61% Asian students.
- While Latino students experienced a 53% increase since 2014, they are still significantly behind their peers.

#### **Latinos and Math**

• In 2017, Latinos were 27% Proficient in Math as compared to 50% of White students and 67% of Asian students.

Sources: NYSED New York State Report Card, Grades 3-8 ELA and Math Assessments, High School Gradation Rate, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 NYSED Presentation, June Graduation Rates for 2013 Cohort



### **New York State: English Language Learners (ELLs) Overview**

### **ELL Population**

- 9% of New York State Student Population are ELLs
- 20% increase in the ELL population over the last ten years
- Population will see even greater increase as a result of Puerto Rican migration.

### **ELA and Math Proficiency**

- 2017 ELA proficiency is 5% and Math proficiency is 13%
- Difficult to measure given limitations in assessments

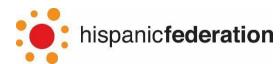
#### **ELL Graduation Rates**

 Four-year ELL graduation rate in 2017 was 26.6%, lower compared to 2014 (31%) and 2015 (34%)

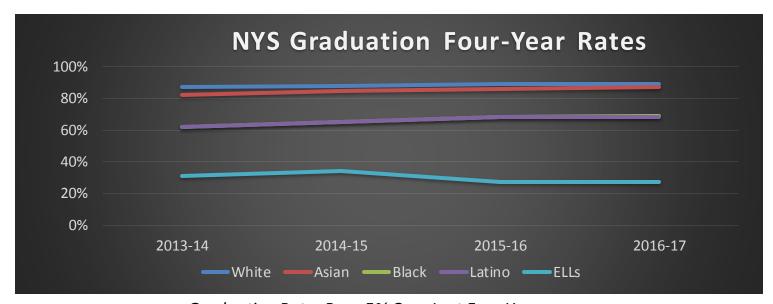
### **ELL Dropout Rates**

Four-year dropout rate for ELLs was 29.7%, higher than any other subgroup in 2017

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### **New York State: College and Career Readiness**



Graduation Rates Rose 5% Over Last Four Years

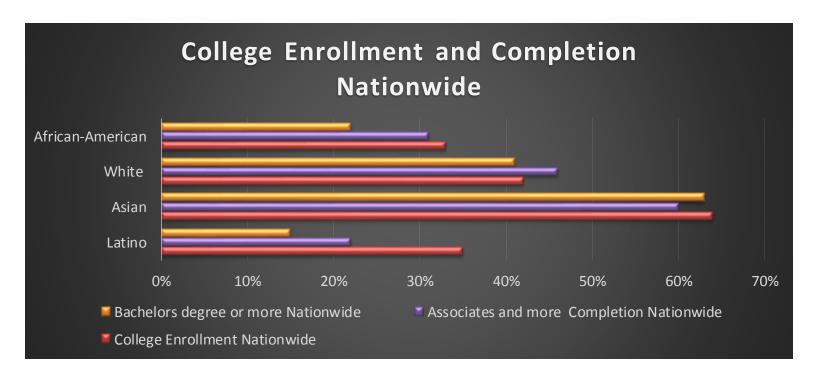
### College Readiness Rates

- In 2017, 48 percent of New York graduates met all four ACT College Readiness Benchmarks.
- In 2017, 63 percent of New York graduates met three or four ACT College Readiness Benchmarks.
- Need for consistent College Readiness Index across that state.

Source: ACT's The Condition of College and Career Readiness 2017, New York Key Findings

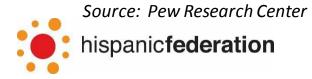


### **College Enrollment and Completion**



### Nationally, Latinos Fall Behind Every Group for College Completion

- 35% of Latinos enroll in college
- 22% earn an Associates degree or more
- 15% earn a Bachelors degree



# Latino Education Advocacy Directors (LEAD) Coalition Overview

A project of the Hispanic Federation to galvanize leaders and community to work together to improve the long-term success of Latino P-16 students in New York State.

Goal: To narrow the equity gap of Latino and other students of color across New York State.

The project will utilize

- Coalition Building
- Advocacy
- Public Education



### **Coalition Member Organizations**

Advocates for Children of NY

Adelante of Suffolk County

**Amber Charter School** 

**Avenues for Justice** 

**ASPIRA of NY** 

Casita Maria Center for Arts and Education

**Catholic Charities Community Services** 

Coalition for Hispanic Family Services

Committee for Hispanic Children and Families

Community Assoc. of Progressive Dominicans

El Centro del Inmigrante

El Puente

**ExpandED Schools** 

**Hispanic Federation** 

Ibero-American Action League

Internationals Network for Public Schools

LatinoJustice PRLDEF

Latino U College Access

LSA Family Health Service

Masa-Mex Ed

National "I Have a Dream" Foundation

NYC Coalition for Educational Justice

**Operation Exodus** 

Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow

The Opportunity Network

Parent-Child Home Program

**Project Hospitality** 

Zone 126



### **LEAD Coalition Insight**

### **Issues Coalition Member Organizations Address**

- Afterschool/Community School Programming
- English Language Learners/Multilingual Learners
- Parent/Guardian Engagement
- College Access
- Career Readiness



### **LEAD Coalition Insight**

### **Barriers to Closing the Equity Gap for Latino Students**

- Academic Achievement
  - Lack of a solid educational foundation in early grades
  - Inadequate ELL/MLL programming
- Early Childhood Access
  - Limited access to early childhood education
- Afterschool Programming and Community School Partnerships
  - Limited funding for afterschool and community school funding
- Parent Engagement
  - Insufficient parent/guardian engagement at the school level
- College Readiness
  - Limited college level coursework available in high school
  - Lack of information/support of college process



### LEAD Coalition Recommendations: *ELL/MLL Achievement*

### **Identify and Scale Effective Program Models and Ensure Multilingual School Supports**

- Identify successful models and best practices to scale up, such as Internationals Network
- Need for bilingual administrative and support staff

#### **Increase Number of Bilingual Programs Statewide**

- Provide more access to Dual Language, ENL, and Transitional Bilingual Programming
- Identify areas of greatest need for more bilingual programs

#### **Provide Alternatives to Traditional Assessments**

- Consider alternative assessments, such as portfolio or performance-based assessments
- Provide translated assessments

### Increase Number of Certified ENL and BE Teachers and Support Their Development

- Provide greater incentives for teachers to be ENL and BE certified
- Create programs that allow for more teachers to be ENL or BE certified
- Build certified ENL and BE teachers in communities of greatest need
- Provide more opportunities for teacher professional development and growth

### Provide Out-of-School Time Support for ELLs/MLLs to Master Content and Increase Graduation

Provide summer and afterschool academic supports to assist ELLs/MLLs



### **LEAD Coalition Recommendations: Parent Engagement**

### **Develop Welcoming and Supportive School Culture**

- Incentivize school and district parent engagement
- Build bilingual school support staff and counselors
- Support a culturally responsive learning environment

### **Improve Communication and Increase Engagement Opportunities**

- Improve communication by providing translation and interpretation services
- Hold meetings at times that working parents can attend
- Spread message that school is a safe place

### **Empower Parents to Advocate for Their Children**

- Provide better supports to parents/guardians
- Assist families and students in navigating the system
- Workshops to help parents build their capacity as leaders, such as Parent Academies

### **Increase Number of Parent Coordinators and Expand Role**

- Increase the number of Parent Coordinators
- Allow for a more robust Parent Coordinator role

### **Support the Community School Initiative**

Expand the number Community Schools Initiative statewide



### LEAD Coalition Recommendations: Teacher Quality and Quantity

### **Ensure Quality Teachers In All Districts and Increase Teacher Diversity**

- Change policy or practice around teacher hiring
- Create incentives for more veteran and master teachers to teach in struggling schools
- Invest in programs and incentives that increase the number of teachers of color

### **Increase Supports for Teachers and Provide Ongoing Professional Development**

- Create year-long mentorship for first-year teachers
- Expand paid residency programs for new teachers
- Generate opportunities for increased professional development and growth
- Create career ladder for teachers

### **Invest in Innovative Teacher Preparation Programs**

- Advocate for training and curriculum that comes out of practice
- Create curriculum integrated into teacher preparation program
- Identify best practices and effective program models to scale

### **Increase Number of "Grow Your Own" Programs**

- Start early: Create opportunities for college students to become tutors, TAs, then teachers
- Start even earlier: Increase interest in the profession starting at the high school level



## LEAD Coalition Recommendations: College and Career Readiness, Retention, and Graduation

#### **Increase Number of High School College Counselors and Increase College Tools**

- Increase certification requirements for pre-service high school college counselor training
- Provide an adequate ratio of college counselors per student
- Ensure all counselors have high expectations for all students

### **Expand School Programming and Utilize CBO Partnerships to Increase College and Career Readiness**

- Increase partnerships with CBOs to deliver expanded college access programming in underserved middle and high schools, both in and out-of-school
- Increase support, including more diverse staff, for CBO programming
- Address high school and college expectations at the middle school level

#### Ensure College Prep Information is Provided to All Parents, including Non-English Speaking Parents

- Ensure information is communicated in native language
- Provide information on college going process including financing college for DREAMers

### **Provide Access to Rigorous Coursework in High School**

- Increase college level course offerings in high school, especially in low-income school districts
- Enhance opportunities for teachers to be trained to teach advanced courses
- Create more early college high schools and other college partnerships, such as College Now

#### Support College Readiness and Student Transition to College

- Provide summer immersion programs to support college transition
- Increase summer bridge programs that support high school student achievement



### **Primary P-12 Education Priorities for New York State**

- Restore \$1.4 Billion in Foundation Aid Based on Three-year Phase-in of \$4.2 Billion Owed
  - \$85 Million Earmarked for English Language Learners
- Allocate NYS Board of Regents Funding Recommendation to Meet the Needs of English Language Learners
  - \$100 Million to strengthen districts' ability to meet their legal obligations to serve ELLs/multilingual learners, including professional development and family engagement
  - \$17 Million for Access to High-Quality Early Education and Early Care Programs
  - \$4.43 Million to Develop a Spanish Language Arts Test and Exam Translations
  - \$1.6 Million to Expand Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network (RBERN), ESSA Plan
  - \$950,000 to Develop Regents Exams in Spanish and French
  - \$770,000 to Address the Shortage of Bilingual Education Teachers to expand the Clinically Rich Intensive Teacher Institute, ESSA Plan
  - \$500,000 to support teacher diversity through Teacher Opportunity Corp II programs



### **Secondary P-12 Education Priorities for New York State**

- Promote a Culturally Responsive Education
  - Increasing funding for programs that increase teacher diversity, provide anti-bias training for teachers, and the creation of a culturally relevant curriculum
- Fully fund the New York State Board of Regents ESSA Implementation Budget Request
  - Supporting Improved School Climates
    - \$10 million to promote positive school climate and bullying prevention
  - Increasing College Readiness
    - \$3 million to expand access to quality high-level coursework
  - Support Teacher Development
    - \$2.9 million to provide high-quality professional learning
  - Supporting Parent Engagement
    - \$2.5 million to create a parent-friendly data dashboard
- Continue to Fund Community Schools
  - Allocate \$50 million to expand community schools and renew \$150 million in existing community schools funding



### **P-12 Advocacy Efforts**

#### State Level

- Met with Key State Legislators
- Submitted Public Comment and Letters of Support
- Held Education Advocacy Day
- Co-Coordinated Education Workshops and Expo for SOMOS Conference

### City Level

- Policy Recommendations
  - Drafted SOMOS Nueva York Policy Blueprint
  - Met with New York City Council Members
  - Ongoing meetings with NYC DOE
  - Co-chair of the NYC DOE School Diversity Group

#### Events

- Organized 2017 Hispanic Education Summit
- Held Back-to-School Town Hall in Partnership with Univision
- Coordinate Year-Round Pathways to Academic Excellence Parent Workshops in Early Childhood Literacy and College Prep
- Upcoming Events
  - 2018 Hispanic Education Summit, September 21, 2018
  - Spanish Language Specialized High School Information and High School Fair in Partnership with the NYC DOE



