

VOTE YES on SB121

Long-term Educational Achievement Program (LEAP)

Sponsored by Senator Lincoln Fillmore

Empowering parents, communities and schools to do whatever it takes for 100% of students to thrive in school and in life.

Too many of our children – in rural and urban areas alike – face challenges related to education, food security, mental health, healthcare, housing, and economic stability. As a result, educational achievement in many communities lags far behind what is needed for children to achieve their potential, and for Utah to sustain its strong and vibrant economy well into the future.

Overcoming these challenges takes everyone, working as a team, with a clear vision and a game plan designed to win.

SB121 will create a pilot program that enables parents, schools, and communities – working through formal and accountable cross-sector partnerships - to make significant improvements in student outcomes. Partnerships will do this through an integrated strategic plan and “all-in” approach structured around core pillars:

Parent Engagement: building trust between parents and schools to support student success.

Enriched Learning Time: aligning academic enrichment to curriculum to accelerate learning.

Integrated Student Supports: removing barriers to learning by ensuring basic needs are met.

Collaborative Leadership Practices: finding schools where a dedicated group of educators and leaders are fully committed to student success and giving them the flexibility to do whatever it takes to improve student outcomes.


Evidence-Based Innovation: prioritizing efforts to scale practices that have been proven to work.

Applicants must:

- Have a cross-sector partnership that includes parents, an LEA, backbone organization, local city and mayor, non-profit and business organizations.
- Develop a shared strategic plan for a feeder pattern of schools that include a high school, junior high and elementary school.
- Commit to shared goals and measurements including:

95% four-year cohort high school graduation rate | **3rd** grade reading proficiency equal or higher than the state goal | **8th** grade math statistically significant proficiency increase

LEAP rewards programs that work and can be a model for others to emulate.

VOTE  YES and empower parents, transform our schools, and support the overall well-being, academic achievement, and economic success of families, students, and communities.

For more information, contact
Elizabeth Garbe at elizabeth@uw.org

