



60%
2025

To increase the proportion of Newaygo County residents with high-quality degrees, certificates, or credentials to **60%** by 2025.

Priorities

Where we plan to focus our funding:

- Kindergarten readiness
- STEAM
(Fields of science, technology, engineering, arts, math)
- Literacy
- Remediation
- Create a positive college and career-oriented culture

Outcomes

Desired results:

- Increased high school graduation rates
- Increased post-secondary retention/completion
- Increased career attainment

Benchmarks

Possible indicators that our community is making progress:

- 3rd - 4th grade reading proficiency
- 8th and 11th grade math proficiency
- ACT scores
- Attendance/truancy rates
- Cohort graduation rate
- Dual enrollment/
post-secondary credential
enrollment rates
- Increased parent and
community engagement

Strategies

Some suggestions for community partners:

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- Camps
- Teacher PD
- Attendance/truancy
- After school programs
- Scholarships

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Grantmaking for Education

Priorities

Priorities are things regarded with the highest importance.

Education guidelines:

- Kindergarten readiness
- Science, technology, engineering, arts, math (STEAM) fields
- Literacy
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- Dual enrollment/post-secondary credential enrollment rates
- Current levels of parent and community engagement

Strategies

Strategies give specific instructions or ideas on how to reach a goal.

Possible strategies:

- Career exposure
- Camps/summer programs
- Teacher PD
- Attendance/truancy
- After school programs
- Scholarships
- Mentoring programs
- College prep courses

Measurement Tools

Possible measurement tools:

- Ages & Stages Questionnaire
- Brigance Early Childhood Inventory
- Standardized Test Scores
- MAPS or DIBELS Scores
- STAR Reading Scores
- ACT Scores
- District Achievement Data
- Annual Yearly Progress

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