

Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership: 2024-2025 Highlights

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Statutory Language

- Minn. Stat. 127A.20 (first codified in 2009):

*A P-20 education partnership is established to **create a seamless system of education that maximizes achievements of all students, from early childhood through elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education, while promoting the efficient use of financial and human resources.** The partnership shall consist of major statewide educational groups or constituencies or noneducational statewide organizations with a stated interest in P-20 education.*

- The statute also includes additional language outlining legislative representation on the partnership, powers and duties, and key areas of focus.
- Our take on this work as an intermediary organization: Not seamless, but building stronger seams (and/or: we *are* the seams)

Our Members

Members are statewide education and education-aligned groups:

- Association of Metropolitan School Districts
- Education Minnesota
- Education Partnerships Coalition
- Greater Twin Cities United Way
- MINNDEPENDENT
- MN Assoc. for the Education of Young Children
- MN Association of Charter Schools
- MN Assoc. of Colleges for Teacher Education
- MN Association of School Administrators
- MN Assoc. of Secondary School Principals
- MN Business Partnership
- MN Chamber of Commerce
- MN Department of Children, Youth, and Families
- MN Department of Education*
- MN Dept. of Employment & Economic Development
- MN Education Equity Partnership
- MN Elementary School Principals Association
- MN House of Representatives (2 members)
- MN Office of Higher Education*
- MN Private College Council
- MN PTA
- MN Senate (2 members)
- MN SLEDs & MN ECLDS +
- MN State Colleges and Universities*
- Tribal Nations Education Committee (TNEC)
- University of Minnesota*

What is MNP20?

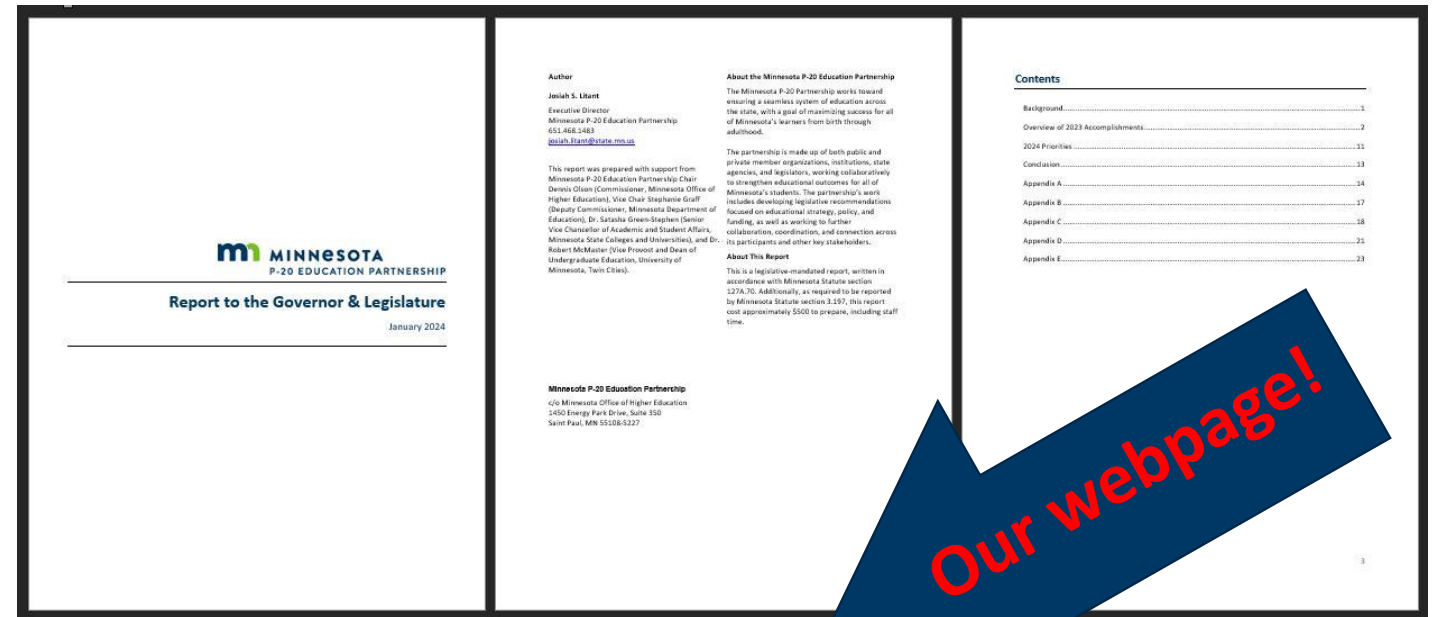
Strengthening outcomes for all of Minnesota's learners.

MNP20 is a multi-sector, independent coalition of leaders representing early childhood, K-12, higher education, nonprofits, workforce development, and government. Partnership members collaborate to influence change, foster innovation, and advocate for policies affecting learner success and outcomes from birth through workforce.

- Currently 26 voting member organizations, agencies, institutions, and legislators
- Led by an Executive Committee (current chair, OHE Commissioner Olson; current vice chair, MDE Deputy Commissioner Graff) and an Executive Director
- Funding provided through private philanthropy and the support of multiple MNP20 partners
- Executive Director is based at the MN Office of Higher Education
- SLEDS and ECLDS fall under our statutory umbrella as well

Annual Report

We encourage you to read our **annual report**, which is available on our webpage.



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2024 Accomplishment Highlights

- Development of **mission, vision, commitments, and theory of change**
- Informational **visits to other state P-20s** funded by Lumina Foundation
- **Credentials of value** framework (ongoing efforts)
- Restarting our **integrated data use and capacity** work, collaboration with SLEDS and ECLDS in planning and strategy
- **Financial Wellness, Education, and Access** summit
- Strengthening our **operations, consistency, communication, and connection** to and between our members
- **Building relationships** across the state and nation

2025 Priority Highlights

- **“Next Phase of Dual Enrollment”** national cohort with College in High School Alliance
- **\$473,000 in private philanthropy** from ECMC Foundation and The Joyce Foundation to advance MNP20’s efforts over the next two years
- Strengthening our inter-organizational **integrated data strategy and coordination**
- Supporting efforts to grow and sustain our state’s **P-20 educator workforce** with GWDB
- **Strategic planning** process to set a focused, aligned plan for the next four years
- Opportunities to align with and support a next-generation **education attainment goal**
- Ongoing support for the **incubation, acceleration, and amplification** of innovative ideas

Why Does it Matter?

- A P-20 council can be a **powerful vehicle for change**.
- It is one of few entities focused on **statewide educational policy at all age levels and all types of schools and institutions**.
- With top leadership at the table, MNP20's voice has the potential to be a **strong advocate** for innovation while also fostering tremendous **collaboration**.
- MNP20 looks at a student's educational journey as a **holistic** experience, looking to **improve outcomes beyond organizational silos** and individual institutions.
- MNP20 can be a **tremendous tool** for legislators, the governor, and educational leaders in our state.



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Questions or Comments?

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