



Montana
Office of Public Instruction
Denise Juneau, State Superintendent

The Every Student Succeeds Act in Montana

More Montana students are graduating from high school than ever before, creating a multimillion dollar boost to our state's economy and ensuring that all students have the ability to build a bright future for themselves and their families.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) will keep Montana students and schools moving forward by:

- Continuing to raise graduation rates.
- Continuing to improve teaching, learning, and student achievement in all of Montana's public schools.
- Continuing to identify and support schools of greatest need.
- Continuing to improve nonacademic student outcomes in all of Montana's public schools.

Superintendent Juneau's guiding principles for developing Montana's ESSA Consolidated State Plan:

- Ensure that all future efforts at the Office of Public Instruction are developed to support the goals of raising graduation rates, improving teaching, learning and student achievement in and out of the classroom, and supporting schools of greatest need.
- Ensure the process for developing a state plan is "bottom up." That's why we've brought together stakeholder groups of parents, educators and school board trustees to guide the Office of Public Instruction in creating its state plan.
- Ensure the state plan is forward-thinking, not a return to the failed practices and policies of No Child Left Behind.