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Project GRAD is the nation's largest college access program for students in low-income areas, opening the doors to college with academic, community and financial assistance.

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Project GRAD is a nonprofit education reform model serving more than 135,000 economically disadvantaged youth in 13 communities across the nation and in the State of Pennsylvania.

91 & 88%

Our student population is 91% minority and 88% low-income.



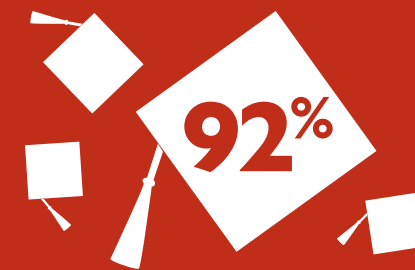
GRAD increased the number of high school graduates in Houston, Texas by 94%, raised the number of students going to college by 400% and generated a college completion rate 70% above the national average.

“Had I not been in a Project GRAD school, my college dream might never have become a reality.”

Cynthia Coco
Project GRAD Scholar and student at Yale University

\$600/student

GRAD costs approximately \$600 per student per year of support, which is comprised of both public and private funding at the local, state, and national levels.



GRAD students are completing college at a rate 92% above the national average (51.5% of GRAD students are completing college versus the national average of 26.8%) for students from similar low-income backgrounds.

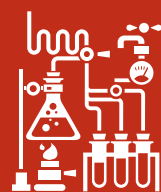


213 Public Schools Across the Nation

GRAD programs are underway in 213 public schools across the nation, including elementary, middle and high schools.

More Than 100 Institutions of Higher Education

Project GRAD students are attending the nation's top colleges and universities, including Amherst, Cal Berkeley, Columbia, Cornell, Emory, Georgetown, Harvard, Middlebury, MIT, Princeton, Rice, Texas, UCLA, Virginia and Yale.



GRAD scholarship recipients graduate college with majors in science, technology and engineering at a rate that exceeds the national average for minority students by 71%.



Broad bipartisan, bicameral support in Congress.
Federally authorized by the United States Department of Education in the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008.

1 of only 4

Project GRAD was one of four education programs identified as a “Program that Works” in supporting opportunity and access for under served K-12 students, out of more than 200 education programs reviewed by the Business-Higher Education Forum for inclusion in StrategicEdSolutions.org.

GRAD BEST PRACTICES

✓ BEST ✓ GAO ✓ CSRQ

GRAD is the only education reform organization cited in independent best practice research studies carried out by the following three groups: Building Engineering and Science Talent (BEST), the federal Government Accountability Office (GAO), and the Comprehensive School Reform Quality Center (CSRQ) at the American Institutes of Research.

↑ 10,750 STUDENTS

GRAD has made college scholarship offers to more than 10,750 students totaling more than \$40,000,000, making it one of the country's largest college-access organizations for low-income students.

Visionary Partners & Funders

- Ford Foundation
- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Clinton Global Initiative
- Lumina Foundation
- KnowledgeWorks Foundation
- U.S. Department of Education
- Pennsylvania Department of Education

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“Project GRAD is closing the achievement gap. Individuals and organizations concerned about school reform should follow their example.”

“GRAD is delivering the kind of school experience that we need to share with every child in America.”

“Project GRAD helps our young people from kindergarten through college. It's no wonder this program is such a success.”