

# A WAY FORWARD

## LEGISLATIVE AGENDA 2017

**The League of Education Voters (LEV)** proposes a vision for public education that guarantees that every Washington student has the opportunity for a high-quality education from early learning to career.

**We can and must do better for Washington's students.**

LEV will continue to partner with, and support the priorities of our coalitions and organizational partners. We will take on these efforts guided by the mission, vision, and values that guide our organization. <http://educationvoters.org/about-us/mission/>

2017 will be one of the most important sessions for education in Washington's history. Legislators must fully fund basic education to address the McCleary decision and fulfill their constitutional duty. This presents an incredible opportunity to ensure that all students receive a quality education regardless of where they go to school, from Aberdeen to Zillah. LEV will ensure that investments are targeted to the students that need them most by advocating for:

### EDUCATOR COMPENSATION

A system that attracts, retains, and supports qualified and effective educators, which include teachers, paraeducators, and principals, while addressing needs for equitable access to quality instruction.

### STUDENT SUPPORTS

Programs and funding targeted toward students who need it most, providing both academic and non-academic supports for students to improve outcomes and make progress in closing the opportunity and achievement gaps.

### ACCOUNTABILITY

An accountability system that provides transparency for families on school budgets and student outcomes, measures student and school success meaningfully, and provides effective state- and district-level supports for struggling schools

### EARLY LEARNING

Additional funding for increased access and participation in high-quality early learning programs across the state.

### HIGHER EDUCATION

Additional funding to serve all students eligible for the State Need Grant.

### LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Allowing simple majority for bonds so districts can better address local facilities needs.



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Working to improve public education in Washington state from cradle to career with ample, equitable, and stable funding.

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