

Race to the Top: Round Two Winners

The Winners: Setting a High Bar For Reform

Finalists

Arizona
California
Colorado
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Illinois
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maryland
Massachusetts
New Jersey
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina

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Standards & Assessments

Hawaii:

- Adopted Common Core Standards
- Governing member of the SMARTER-Balance Assessment Consortia
- Aligned graduation requirements with post-secondary entrance requirements.

Great Teachers & Leaders

Florida:

Race to the Top plan proposes that the state's teacher evaluation system will base at least 50% of teacher evaluations on student growth and tie those evaluations to teacher pay.

State Success

North Carolina:

100% participation from local unions and school districts.

Turning Around Low Performing Schools

Rhode Island:

New funding formula more equitably distributes funds to public schools based on the number of low-income students.

STEM

Ohio:

Historical commitment to STEM education through the Ohio STEM Network.

Data Systems

Massachusetts:

- Meets all 12 components of the America COMPETES Act and all 10 components of the Data Quality Campaign.
- Implementing an early warning system designed to identify students at-risk of failing.

General Selection Criteria

New York:

Doubled the number of charter schools from 200 to 460 and set tougher accountability criteria for charters.