



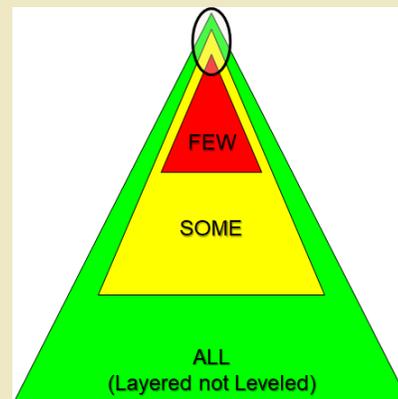
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DECEMBER 14 GRADMN ADVISORY MEETING

Please join us on **December 14** from **9am-11am** at the **Minnesota Department of Education, CC13, Conference Center A** for the December GradMinnesota Advisory Meeting.

The Featured topic will be Recommendation #2: Effectively Implement a Tiered Framework of Supports.

Hear from **Angela Jerabek**, Executive Director, [BARR Center](#), about the BARR (Building Assets, Reducing Risks)'s model interventions and supports at the universal, targeted and intensive levels.



Welcome Alexis!

We are pleased to announce that **Alexis Goffe** will be joining the Alliance team in December to lead GradMinnesota! Many of you know Alexis through his work with Solutions Not Suspensions and his position as Dean of Students at Paladin Career and Technical High School. He brings a wealth of wisdom, knowledge, and passion for



young people, restorative practices and social justice Welcome, Alexis!

Current GradMinnesota Program Manager Dr. Cammy Lehr will be retiring on December 15th. We say a fond farewell to Cammy and thank her for her outstanding leadership and commitment. Thanks to Cammy's dedication, and the collective efforts of many others over the past 4 years, GradMinnesota has grown into a strong, relevant, and necessary statewide initiative.

Please attend the December 14th meeting to say farewell to Cammy and provide a warm welcome to Alexis!

“Kids Changing Systems” YouthPower Recommendations on Transportation Issues

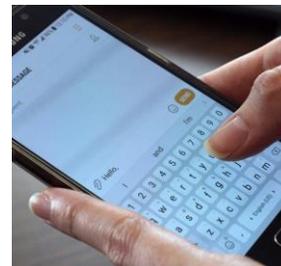
On October 19, the GradMinnesota Advisory Meeting was held at [St. Paul Youth Services](#) to hear the perspectives of youth on [GradMinnesota's priority recommendation](#) - *Make Transportation Accessible to All Students*.

The members of [YouthPower](#) (Black boys and young men ages 13-15 who are residents of St. Paul and attend St. Paul Public Schools) provided their thoughts, voiced their concerns and offered six policy recommendations to help improve the overall youth experience when riding public transit. [Read more ...](#)



Increasing student attendance through parental involvement

The Hechinger Report has published compelling research about the impact of providing parents with information about attendance and school engagement.



Todd Rogers, a behavioral scientist at the Harvard

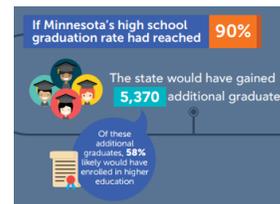
Kennedy School, has completed a number of experiments measuring the impressive effects of mailing parents information about how important school attendance is.

Sending parents useful information about attendance, course progress has big effects. [Read more ...](#)

The Graduation Effect: Every Student's Potential to Impact a Community

What are the short- and long-term benefits to Minnesota of a 90% high school graduation rate? Findings from the [Alliance for Excellent Education](#) are based on the Class of 2015, which reported 54,270 high school graduates—a graduation rate of 81.9%.

If Minnesota's high school graduation rate had reached 90%, The state would have gained 5,370 additional graduates, and these graduates would have earned \$71.5 million annually in additional income.



[See the full findings here!](#)

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