



# Improving Education for Low-Income Students

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# The Scarcity of Underrepresented Students in the Workplace and Higher Education

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The Promise of Diversity Is Yet To Be Fulfilled



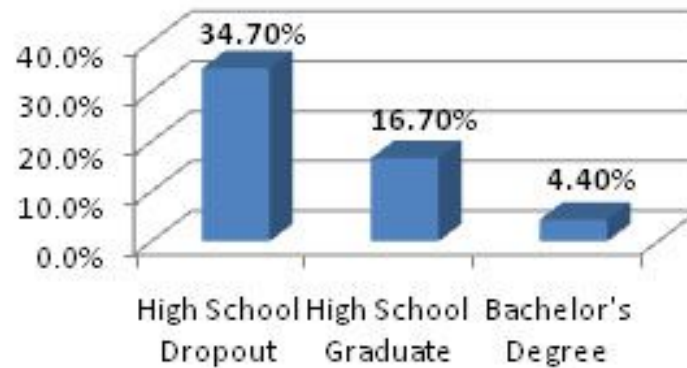
# Poverty and Lack of Education Cycle

Why the poor stay poor and the rich get richer

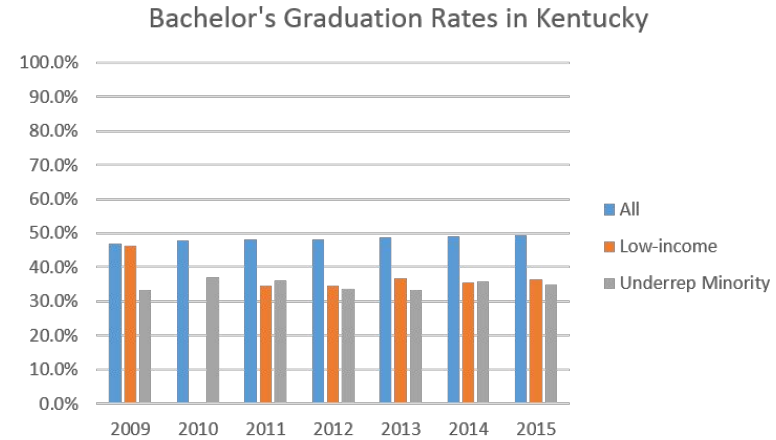
## The Cycle's Effect on Higher Education and Success

The rate of obtaining degrees and graduation rates decrease tremendously for low income students

Success later in life is largely dependent on education



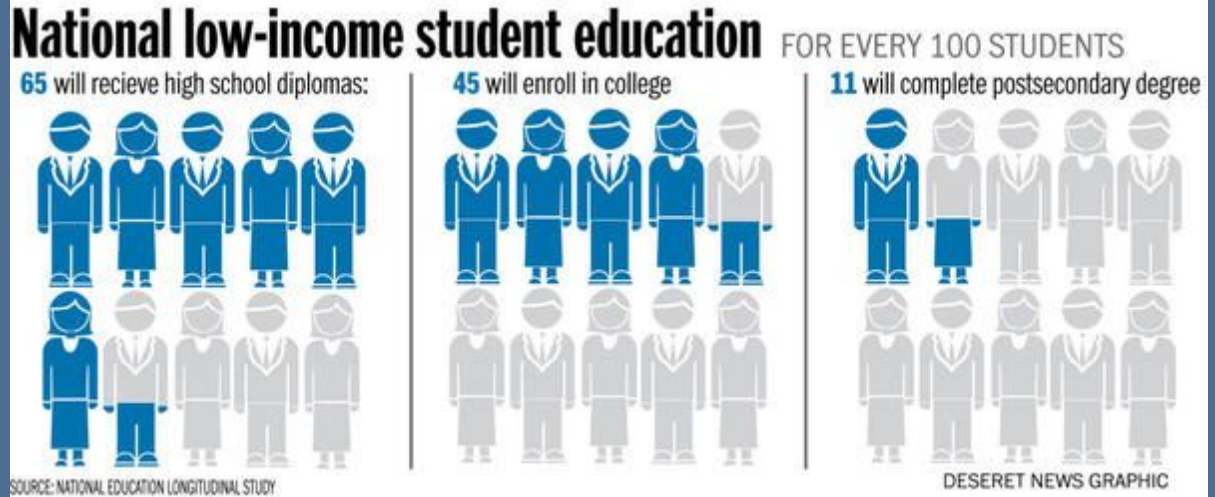
Source: Alliance for Excellent Education



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2005-2009

## The Cycle's Effect on Education

There is a scarcity of low-income and underrepresented students in the workplace and in higher education.



Source: Deseret News

# Our Solution

ATM (Academic Support and Tutoring Resources and Motivational Programs) and A Reformed Tax System

## Redistribution of Taxes

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- Current tax system obstructs equity
- Our Mid policy
  - Promotes even distribution
- Impact on schools and low income students

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# ATM

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A program to help kids who don't have the right resources





**We had our parents to help us do our homework and stuff like that and I think a lot of these students definitely don't because either their parents are busy or aren't super well-versed in the education system here. They really have to rely on themselves which is really hard especially if you are a kid who needs help doing your work.**

**-EXODUS tutor**

Shivani Venkatraman

## Our Activism Project

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- PME
- Exodus
- Informing IMSA students
- Raising awareness
- Gaining support

# 4 QUALITY EDUCATION





## Expected Outcomes

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- IMSA students as tutors
- Guest speakers who come from low income backgrounds
- Outside of IMSA participation
- Expansion

## Program Alternatives

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### Our Other Options

- Informational meeting for the public
- Fundraising for low income schools

### Benefits of Our Program

- Connection with the legislation
- Taxes and our program
- Aspirations for college and higher education

