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GE Foundation Award to ECS Supports Resources for Policymakers

The Education Commission of the States (ECS) has received generous support in the amount of $80,000 from the GE Foundation. This award will support state leaders by reporting on the status of efforts to improve the quality and performance of America’s education system.

State leaders need to be able to trust the information they’re given. They want to know what research is credible and pertinent to the decisions they are making, and why past approaches might have failed to have the intended impact. They need “answers” — not just information — based upon the best knowledge available and beholden to no particular political beliefs. The Progress of Education Reform and the online ECS Research Studies Database provide such knowledge in an accessible, understandable format.


Access a sample study from the Research Studies Database at http://www.ecs.org/rs/Studies/DetailStudy.aspx?study_ID=a0r700000008Kc5AAE or the full database at http://www.ecs.org/rs.

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ECS is the only nationwide, nonpartisan interstate compact devoted to education. ECS helps governors, legislators, state education officials and others identify, develop and implement public policies to improve student learning at all levels. A nonprofit organization, ECS was formed in 1965 and is located in Denver, Colorado.

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