

School Integration & K-12 Educational Outcomes

A summary of a National Coalition on School Diversity Report



Students who attend racially and socioeconomically diverse schools are more likely:

- ✓ To achieve higher test scores and better grades
- ✓ To graduate from high school
- ✓ To attend and graduate from college



Attending a diverse school promotes achievement across the curriculum in math, science, language, and reading

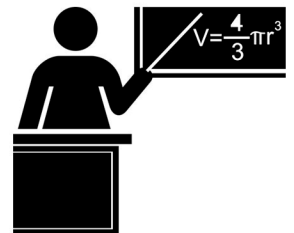


Students from all racial and socioeconomic status backgrounds can benefit from diverse schools - including middle-class whites - although low-income disadvantaged minority youth benefit the most from attending diverse schools



There is no evidence that integrated schooling harms any student group

Benefits accrue to students in all grades, but most markedly those in middle and high schools



Short-term Outcomes:

- Reduction in prejudice & fears
- Increases in cross-racial trust & friendships
- Enhanced capacity for multicultural navigation
- Avoidance of the juvenile justice system



Long-term Outcomes:

- Greater educational & occupational attainment
- Workplace readiness for global economy
- Adult cross-racial friendships
- Choice of integrated neighborhoods
- Avoidance of the criminal justice system