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A Historic Coalition on Early Education

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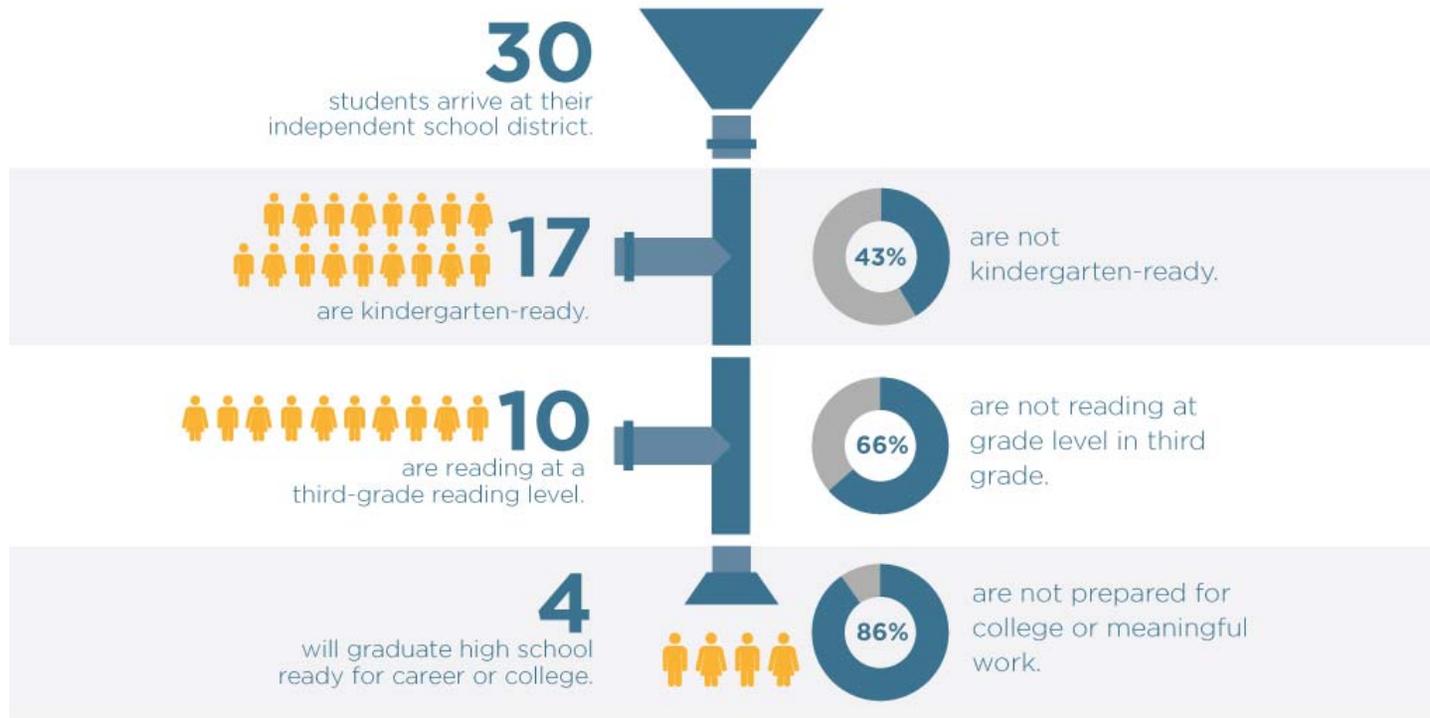
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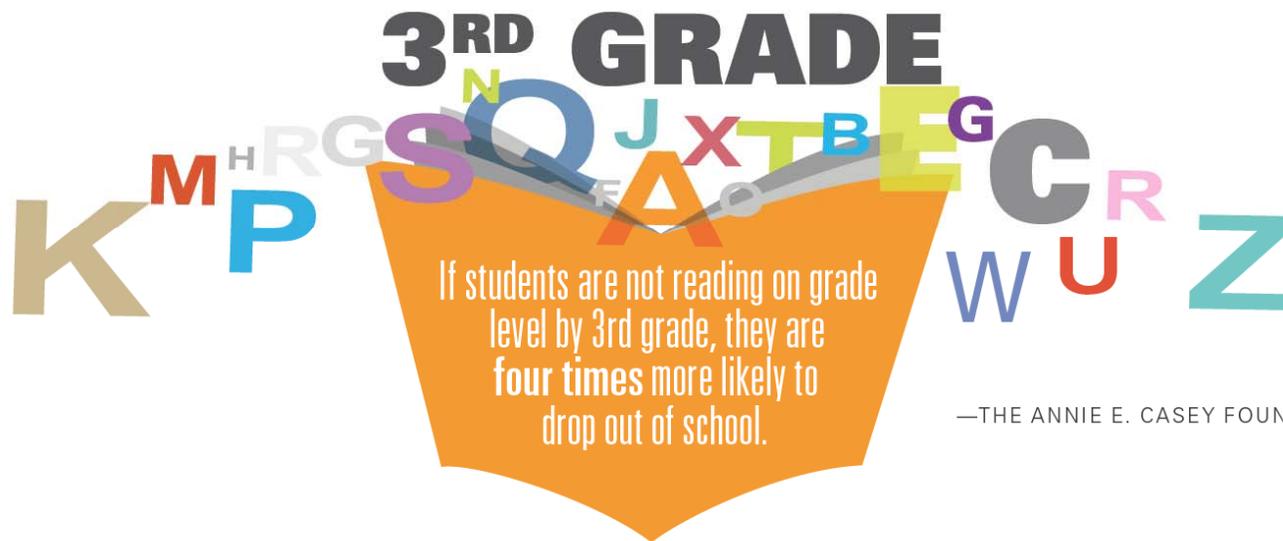


THE CURRENT WORKFORCE SITUATION IN DALLAS COUNTY*





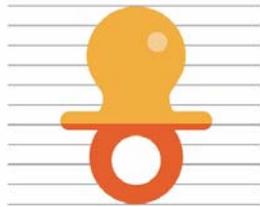
By 2030, **60%** of Dallas County adults will need to complete some form of education beyond high school to meet workforce needs.



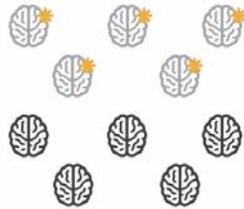
Without high quality early childhood education, low-income children are:



25% more likely
to drop out
of school



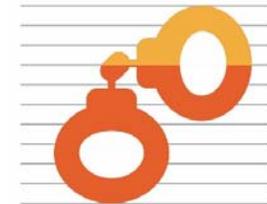
40% more likely
to become a
teen parent



50% more likely
to be placed in
special education

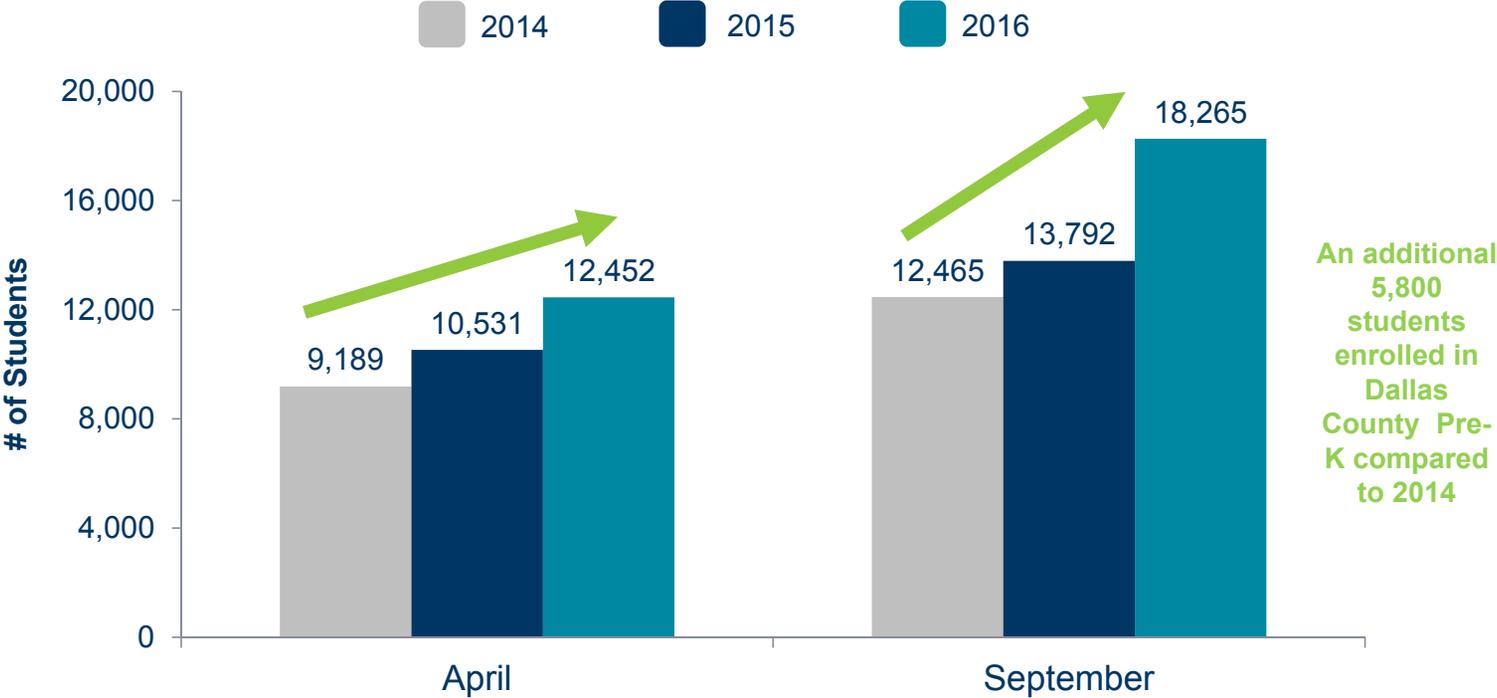


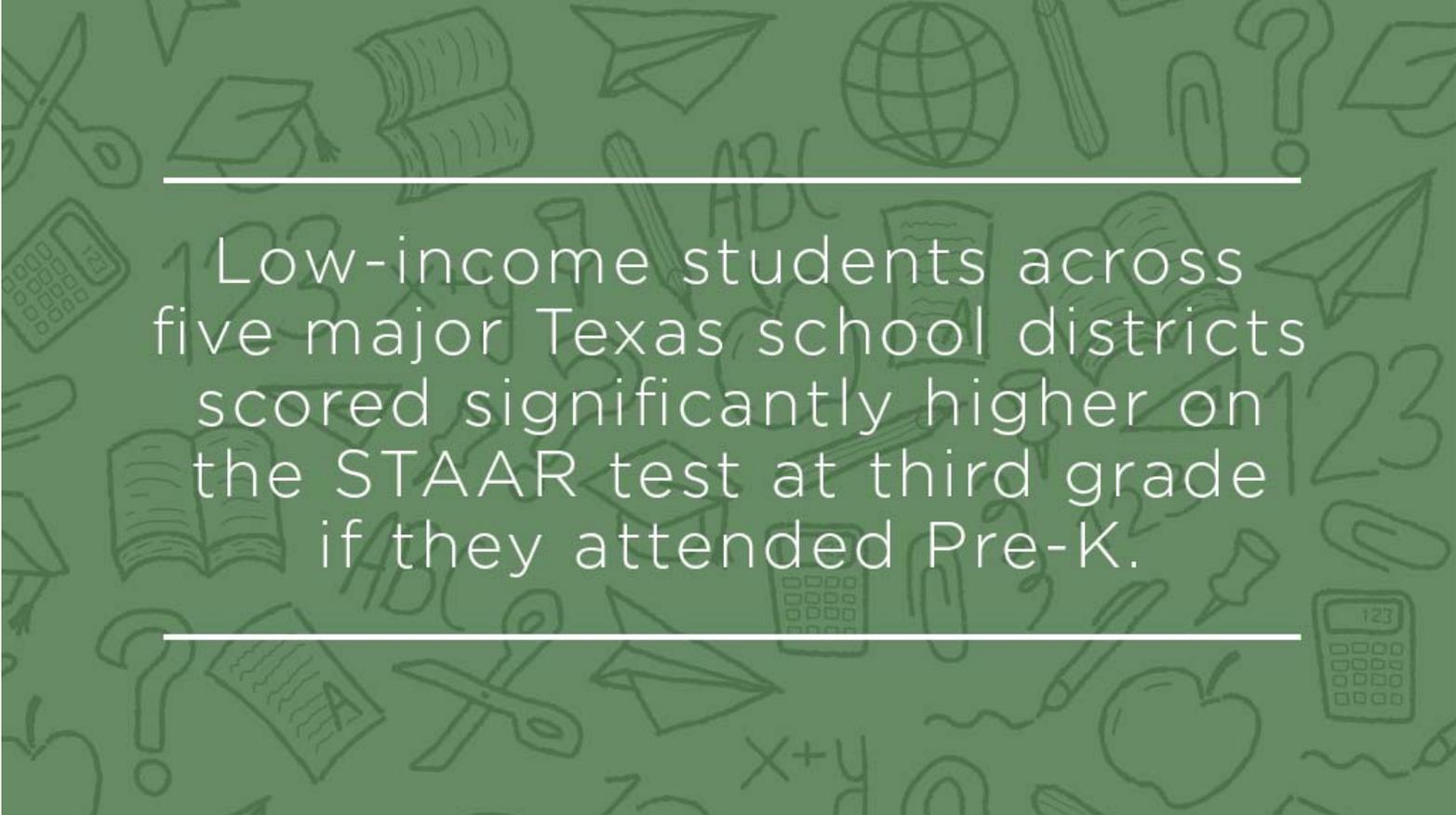
60% less likely to
attend college



70% more likely
to be arrested
for violent crime

Increased Pre-K Enrollment





Low-income students across five major Texas school districts scored significantly higher on the STAAR test at third grade if they attended Pre-K.

Only
1 of 5

Texas children make it through the system
with some form of post high school credential

—NATIONAL CENTER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

90%
of brain development
occurs by age 5.

—ZERO TO THREE



BUT ONLY



5%
of public education
dollars are spent on
early childhood education.

—INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION SCIENCES



Quality early learning for ALL children can change the economic trajectory of our region in one generation.