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The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has launched Top 10 by 20, a major improvement effort that aims for student achievement in Missouri to rank among the top 10 states by 2020. To see where we are now, visit dese.mo.gov/top-10-20/data-dashboard.

The Path to the Top 10

- **Goal 1: College and Career Ready** — Missouri schools are focused on equipping students with both a solid foundation of knowledge and skills AND the ability to apply their knowledge and skills to the kinds of problems and decisions they will likely encounter after they graduate.
- **Goal 2: Early Childhood Education** — We must strive to provide access to high-quality early childhood education to every 3- and 4-year-old across our state. Giving children a proper start at home or in a formal setting is a connection to graduating students who are ready for success in post-secondary education, the workplace and life.
- **Goal 3: Exceptional Educators** — The success of the Top 10 by 20 initiative is dependent upon having effective teachers in our classrooms, led by effective leaders in our schools. Missouri must prepare, retain and support effective educators in all communities across our state.



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- See details of the entire plan.
- View a short video about Top 10 by 20.

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