The Educational Equity program works to transform the birth to 12th grade system to uplift whole-child, whole-family educational opportunities for children of color from historically underserved communities.

- **RESPONSIVE & SUPPORTIVE SYSTEMS**
- **ADEQUATE & EQUITABLE FUNDING**
- **MOVEMENT & POWER BUILDING**

We envision a system that provides joyful, enriching environments where all children and families feel seen, are supported to learn, and can thrive.

Too often, a child's zip code will determine their access to quality education and eventual outcomes. We strive to catalyze action that dismantles the systemic barriers that perpetuate disparities in our communities.

We lead a racial equity and economic justice birth to 12th grade policy agenda through:

- **Policy & Budget Advocacy** that centers the strengths and experiences of children, families, B-12 educators of color, and elevates culturally and linguistically affirming best practices.

- **Policy Implementation** that uplifts opportunities to embed or deepen equity in major initiatives across the B-12 system.

- **Convenings & Coalition Building** that work to build bridges between ECE and K-12 systems and move a collective agenda.

**EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION POLICY**

Uplifts whole-child, culturally and linguistically affirming ECE policy and practice.

**K-12 EDUCATION POLICY**

Focuses on community-driven policies that foster a racially equitable education system.

**BIRTH TO 12TH GRADE WATER COOLER**

Convenes leaders to build a collective birth to 12th grade equity agenda in California.
IMPACT OF OUR WORK

Secured a baseline of $700M in ongoing funding for LAUSD students in partnership with the Equity Alliance for LA’s Kids.

Helped win major ECE investments for children ages 0-5 and expanded transitional kindergarten for 120,000 four-year-olds.

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Helped pass the English Learner Roadmap to advance bilingual education and center dual language learners within ECE state policy.

Convened education, community, and policy leaders to develop solutions to advance equity through the Water Cooler.

Elevated community voices and racial inequities exacerbated by the pandemic through K-12 policy briefs and ECE blogs.

Desired Outcomes

- Children and families of color from historically underserved communities have the whole-child support and resources to reach their full potential.

- California builds on its cultural, racial, and linguistic diversity to give all learners an opportunity to succeed.

- Meaningful alignment and collaboration between the ECE system and K-12 system.