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The Eastern Promise program provides early college credit opportunities for students, and promotes a college-going culture. As the Eastern Promise begins its fifth year of existence, it is clear the program is significantly impacting the lives of our students.

Due to the Legislature's interest in scaling up the Eastern Promise throughout the state, an independent, longitudinal research study was conducted to determine the program's effectiveness. Key findings included:

- Eastern Promise students graduated at a rate of 97%, compared to a state average of 69%.
- Eastern Promise students enrolled in college immediately after high school (matriculation) at a rate of 68%, compared to a state average of 53%.
- Eastern Promise student stay in college (persistence) at a rate of 71%, compared to a state average of 28%.

We are excited to share these results and thankful of the commitment of our regional school districts to the Eastern Promise. If you are interested in a presentation on the full report, please contact IMESD.