

SOLVING FLORIDA'S HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT PROBLEM

With the Help of Florida Public Libraries

FL Dropouts Age 25+
2.7+ MILLION¹



High School Dropouts Are More Likely To²



Live in Poverty



Be Unemployed



Go to Prison



Be a Burden on
Taxpayers

PER 1,000 GRADUATES



\$200+ MILLION

HIGHER TAX REVENUE; LESS GOVERNMENT SPENDING³

800+

NEW POSTSECONDARY STUDENTS⁴



WORKFORCE-BASED ONLINE ADULT HIGH SCHOOL

Florida Public Libraries Deliver High School Graduates



Scholarship Program Offered In:
29 FL LIBRARIES



THE RESULTS



830+ Graduates
as of September 2020
\$1 BILLION+
ADDITIONAL TAX REVENUE³

81%

OF

Graduates
Plan to Go
to College⁴



¹U.S. Census Bureau, 2017

²World Education Organization, www.worlded.org/WEIInternet/us/adult-ed-facts.cfm

³The Alliance for Excellent Education

⁴Smart Horizons Career Online Education, graduate exit surveys, 2009–2018

