Goal: Increase high school completion rates for Philadelphia students

The William Penn Foundation supports efforts to ensure Philadelphia students begin high school with a strong start and continue an on-track trajectory towards completion. WPF supports strategic approaches that leverage evidence-based practices to ensure all students (with special consideration for teen parents, immigrant students, low-income students and students experiencing homelessness) have the tools they need to succeed in adulthood.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL STRATEGIES**

- Expand early warning and response systems
- Expand initiatives that support middle school students to prepare for high school
- Increase college and career exposure
- Scale evidence-based programs for mentorship and guidance counseling

**MIDDLE SCHOOL OUTCOME**

- High school readiness
  - How We Measure
    - PSSA (English Language Arts and Math)
    - On-time promotion to high school

**HIGH SCHOOL STRATEGIES**

- Increase academic pathways and academy models
- Expand and improve workforce development and career technical education
- Expand dual enrollment opportunities
- Scale evidence-based programs for mentorship and guidance counseling

**HIGH SCHOOL OUTCOMES**

- High school reengagement
- Career preparedness
- College readiness
- High school completion
  - How We Measure
    - Attendance rates (students attending at least 95% of days)
    - AP, IB, dual-enrollment or CTE course enrollment
    - Keystone (Algebra and Literature)
    - Four-year and six-year graduation rates
    - College matriculation and completion rates