

State Funding Opportunities

Massachusetts

LANGUAGE FOR STATE SHEET:

The <u>Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Strategic Plan</u> is organized around five core strategies to drive continuous improvement for both educators as well as students. The objective of core Strategy 1 is to "Increase the quality of instruction so that it is aligned to the high expectations of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks". The state sets forth the following to achieve that objective:



- 1. set high expectations for content knowledge and pedagogy,
 - How ORIGO aligns: ORIGO provides a tailored comprehensive professional development program that is based on the latest research on mathematics teaching and learning, as well as implementation science, to provide teachers support in best practice math instruction.
 - How ORIGO aligns: ORIGO will collaborate with teachers and principals to provide data-driven, sustained professional learning that increases student achievement.
- 2. improve access to high-quality curricular materials,
 - How ORIGO aligns: ORIGO's core curriculum, Stepping Stones, received ALL GREEN ratings from EdReports.org, an independent nonprofit committed to ensuring all students have access to highquality instructional material. Additionally, an external independent evaluation of the Stepping Stones Math curriculum found that with sufficient implementation support the core program had a significant positive effect on mathematics proficiency.
 - How ORIGO aligns: ORIGO supports schools by providing students with a variety of supplemental
 mathematics content that supports the goals of Massachusetts Mathematics Framework.
 ORIGO Education's supplementary learning resources are designed to support Tier 2 and Tier 3
 intervention to help teachers develop students' mathematical understanding. These products have
 also demonstrated research-proven effectiveness. A case study of students using the company's
 math fact practice supplementary product, the Book and Box of Fact Strategies, showed significant
 gains in math fact speed, accuracy and fluency.

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- 3. and create tools and resources to support effective implementation.
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Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five (PDG B-5): In January 2023, the Baker-Polito Administration announced that Massachusetts had been awarded a \$36 million federal Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five (PDG B-5). The additional funding will support new and ongoing work to improve families' ability to access high-quality programs and services, establish clear career growth pathways for the workforce serving young children, and support high-quality programming. A central initiative outlined in this grant is described as follows: increasing supports for early education and care programs to deliver to high-quality programming and implement evidence-based curriculums appropriate for young children.

- How ORIGO aligns: ORIGO can support this Massachusetts grant initiative by providing students with research-based core mathematics curriculum and content which directly aligns with the state's goals for this initiative.
- How ORIGO aligns: ORIGO's core curriculum, Stepping Stones, received ALL GREEN ratings from EdReports.org. As an independent nonprofit devoted to guaranteeing all students have access to high-quality instructional materials, EdReports.org's green ratings demonstrate how ORIGO's Stepping Stones curriculum aligns directly with a key initiative of this grant.

Reach out to learn more about ORIGO's Pre-K through Grade 6 core curriculum, supplemental resources, professional learning, and coaching solutions.

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