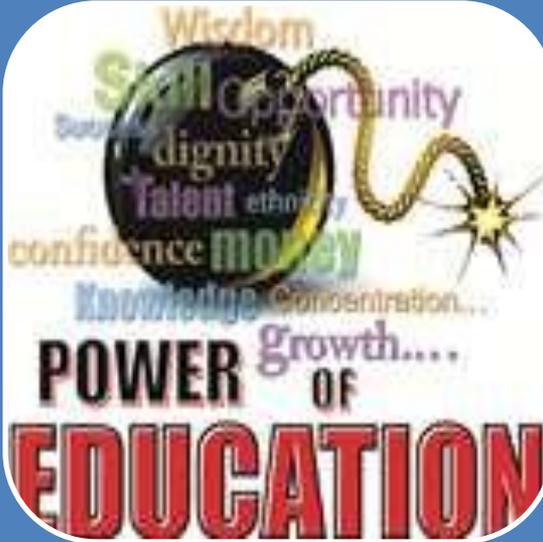




## Continuing Advocacy for Alternative Education

May 9, 2016





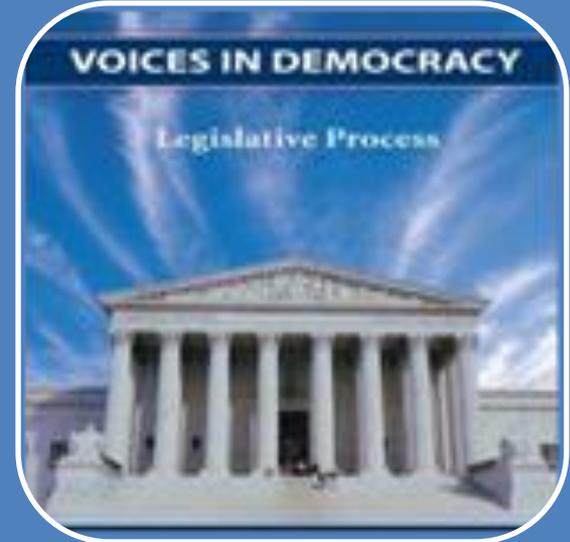
### *Education*

- Research
- Policy Studies
- Data Collection & Analysis
- Bibliographies
- Conferences
- Symposia
- Workshops



### *Intervention*

- Speakers Bureau
- Organizing
- Consulting
- Task Forces
- Convening/Facilitating
- Amiable Confrontation
- Special Position Papers



### *Direct Action/ Legislation*

- Marches
- Rallies
- Drafting Legislation
- Lobbying
- Lawsuits

Advocacy Continuum

# AZ Alternative Education Consortium

## *Our Focus: Educate and Inform*

2016 Overview of Alternative Education in Arizona

Proposal to Classrooms First Initiative Council

Advocacy Meetings



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<http://www.azaec.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/AltEdAZAEC4-2016.pdf>

## Mission of Alternative Education

- Diverse approaches to schooling within nontraditional education environments
- Most alternative schools, 70%, are identified with credit recovery status
- Some recruit & successfully retain younger high school students by working with families to offer culturally appropriate support for 1<sup>st</sup> time in family high school graduation
- Some specialize in serving over-aged students and/or re-engage former dropouts

## Impact to Arizona Society

A Continuum of Development

A Supportive Environment

Overview of Arizona Alternative Education Consortium



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## *Proposal to Classrooms First Initiative Council*

- Alternative Education Funding: Financial support of alternative education is a state decision. (There is NOT distinct federal funding.) We are communicating with other state alternative education associations and leaders to gather exemplary state funding policy examples.
- Equitable Funding Structure: In support of an Equitable Funding Structure, funding for all schools, thus ***schools educating high risk and special populations***, should be based on the entire school year (not seat time of 100 days).



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## AZ AEC & Community Collaboration

- Phoenix Community Alliance Education Steering Committee
- Maricopa County's Department of Human Services Education Momentum Task Force
- Arizona Business and Education Coalition's legislative panels
- Youth Opportunities Initiative MCESA



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## Mission, Vision, & Strategic Plan

Strategic Work Session

Friday, June 10

Ombudsman Community Classroom  
3624 W. Bell Road, Suite 2, PHX

<http://www.azaec.org/>

