

The Power of *Plyler* in New Jersey

The guarantee of equal access to public K-12 education for *all* children enshrined in *Plyler v. Doe* has grown New Jersey's economy, strengthened its workforce, and advanced public health. FWD.us estimates that New Jersey's combined past and future GDP is \$89 billion more over the lifetimes of adult beneficiaries of *Plyler* because they had equal access to K-12 education. New Jersey also gained over 50,000 workers requiring at least a high school diploma and saved \$900 million in public health costs.

**Current Number of
ADULTS Who Benefited
from *Plyler***

(In School 1982–2022)

92,000

**Current Number of
CHILDREN Benefiting
from *Plyler***

(In School 2023)

106,000

Fiscal Impact

Net Fiscal GAIN

(Income Tax Revenue over Lifetime minus Cost to Educate)

+\$19 Billion

Economic Impact

**Total Past and Future Economic GAINS from Adult
Beneficiaries of *Plyler* over Their Lifetimes**

(In School 1982–2022)

+\$89 Billion

**Future Economic LOSSES without *Plyler* for
Current School-Age Children**

(In School 2023)

-\$58 Billion

Workforce Impact

**Past Workforce GAINS from Adult Beneficiaries
of *Plyler***

(In School 1982–2022)

**+10,700 Workers in Occupations
Requiring Some College Education
+39,800 Workers in Occupations
Requiring a High School Diploma**

**Future Occupational LOSSES without *Plyler* for
Current School-Age Children**

(In School 2023)

**-20,400 Workers in Occupations
Requiring Some College Education**

Top Three Jobs Requiring At Least a High School Diploma:

Computer Scientist & Analysts, Misc. Managers, Software Developers

Top Three Industries Requiring Workers with at Least a High School Diploma:

Gen. Medical Hospitals, Computer Systems Designs, Elem. & Secondary Schools

Health Impact

**Past Healthcare SAVINGS from Adult Beneficiaries
of *Plyler***

(In School 1982–2022)

+\$900 Million

**Future Healthcare COSTS without *Plyler* for
Current School-Age Children**

(In School 2023)

-\$1.4 Billion