

The Michigan Challenge: Improving Opportunities for African American Children

Children are America's most indispensable asset for the future...**our wisest investment** is to ensure that all children have the opportunity to succeed.

Race for Results: Building a Path to Opportunity for All Children
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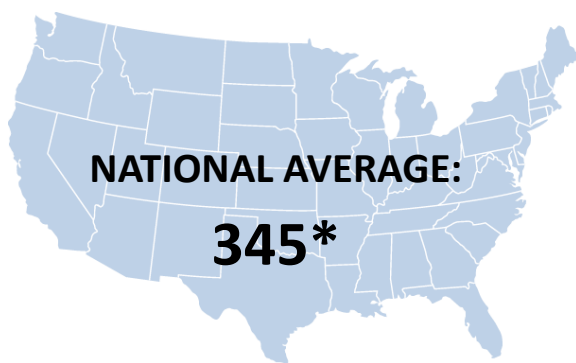


1 of every 6 children in Michigan is African American



The overall well-being of African American children in **Michigan**

is essentially the same as their peers in **Mississippi**.



The **public systems** designed to help children and families have functioned in ways that **denied opportunity to people of color** — and even worked to push them down the ladder.

*Race for Results Index—with 1,000 as the best score