TOP LINE FACT: A large body of research conducted over twenty years shows that private education choice programs have had an overwhelmingly positive impact on private program participants and public schools. According to 100 rigorous academic studies, here are the specific effects of private school choice on...

...ACADEMIC OUTCOMES OF CHOICE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

- 78% Positive
- 12% Neutral/Negative

18 studies

Example: In Milwaukee, a parental choice program led to 10.7% higher scores in math and 5.8% higher performance in reading than public school peers.

...ACADEMIC OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS REMAINING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 94% Positive
- 6% Neutral/Negative

33 studies

Example: In Florida, low-performing public schools saw a 15% improvement in math after school choice was enacted.

...FISCAL IMPACT ON TAXPAYERS, PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 89% Positive
- 11% Neutral/Negative

28 studies

Example: Florida’s school choice program saved the state $57.9 million for 2012-2013. In Oklahoma, $1.24 was saved for every $1 in tax credits. Individual districts can save on the variable expenses of educating prior students, while keeping federal and local dollars.

...RACIAL COMPOSITION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 90% Positive
- 10% Neutral/Negative

10 studies

Example: In Louisiana, 82% of transfers due to school choice had the effect of reducing racial stratification.

...CIVIC VALUES

- 73% Positive
- 27% Neutral/Negative

11 studies

School choice beneficiaries reported higher levels of tolerance, volunteerism, patriotism and political knowledge.