



MASSACHUSETTS ADVOCATES *for* CHILDREN

Support Access to Higher Education for Students with Intellectual Disabilities and Autism

Call or Email to Support Senate Budget Amount of \$1.7 million

MA Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI) Students with Disabilities

Lawmakers are now making final decisions about funding for the Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI #7066-9600).

Because of your emails and calls, the Senate budget included \$1.7 million for MAICEI. However, the House budget funded MAICEI at a lower level.

A Conference Committee of senators and representatives is meeting to hammer out the differences between the House and Senate budget proposals. We need you to **act now** to help ensure the budget Conference Committee adopts the Senate's higher level of funding for MAICEI.

- **Here's what you can do:** Please **click here** to send an email to **your** Senator and Representative and ask them to support funding of \$1.7 million for MAICEI with the Conference Committee Members.

It is important to add your personal experiences to the email. Legislators respond more to emails that are personalized!

Lots of emails and calls will show lawmakers that access to higher education for all students is a priority for their constituents. Please act now to ensure we open the doors to higher education for students with intellectual disabilities and autism.

If you have time, contact the Conference Committee Members as well:

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Thank you for your help!

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