



**60%**  
by 2025

Founded in 2016 with support from the Lumina Foundation and over 100 partners, MaineSpark is a statewide coalition dedicated to improving educational attainment and career opportunities for all Mainers.

Together, we're building stronger pathways from education to employment through:



#### **Economic Development**

Supporting the creation of the Maine Economic Development Strategy 2020-2029



#### **Investment**

Advocating for state investment of 55% of the costs of PK-12 education to address equity



#### **Post-Secondary Education**

Advocating for increased funding for post-secondary education and training, including free community college and the Maine State Grant Program



#### **Early Childhood Education**

Championing investments & policies that benefit families, children, educators, & employers - including public Pre-K expansion



#### **Navigator Network**

Developing a robust navigator network to support adult learners across Maine



#### **Experiential Learning**

Supporting education and workforce training initiatives including apprenticeships, dual enrollment, ELOs, CTE, industry partnerships & adult education

**As of 2023, 56.6% of adults in Maine ages 25-64 hold a credential of value, up from 38.6% in 2009**

## **Defining MaineSpark's Next Chapter**

MaineSpark is working with partners, educators, legislators and community members statewide to help shape Maine's future. Supported by the Nellie Mae Education Foundation, **Educate Maine** and our MaineSpark partners have received a new 12-month planning effort will strengthen the coalition and define strategies that chart a shared path forward.