

Unity Rally for Children Left Behind

Wednesday, May 21, 3:00 PM

The State House • Grand Staircase

The people of Massachusetts will sign the following document in the name of those children in our state who are being left behind in our public schools.

Conditional Diploma for Future Achievement

*This diploma will be issued to the
Board of Elementary and Secondary Education upon
completion of the following requirements for achieving
true education reform in Massachusetts:*

- ◆ Ensuring that all students have the **books and other materials** they need to succeed
- ◆ Replacing test preparation classes with classes that **stimulate intellectual curiosity**
- ◆ Providing **art, music, theater, and physical education** as part of the regular school day to students in all public schools
- ◆ Evaluating students' achievement based on **multiple forms of assessment**, as called for in the Education Reform Act of 1993
- ◆ Evaluating schools based on improvements in **lowering the dropout rate**

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