



YES ON SB23-007

ADULT EDUCATION in Colorado



300,000
adults in Colorado
lack a high school
credential

41%
of those individuals
have less than a 9th
grade education

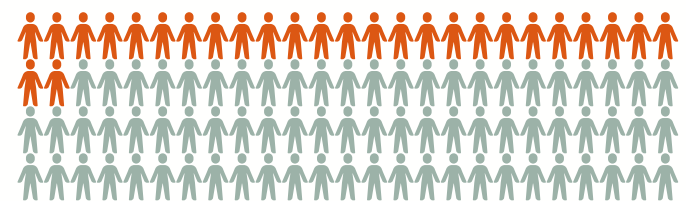
10%
of Colorado kids have
a head of household
without a high school
diploma

77%
of jobs require use of
technology, but
nearly a third of the
workforce has limited
or no digital skills



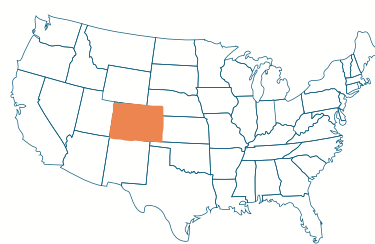
A person with a high
school diploma/HSE
earns an average of
\$9,620 more per year
than a non-graduate.

Over a quarter (27%) of Colorado
children ages 0-5 have at least one
parent who speaks a language other
than English at home.



Of those, **44%** have at least one parent
with limited English proficiency.

Compared to similar states in 2020, CO
ranked only above Louisiana and Nevada
in terms of of adult education funding.



CO is among the gross minority of
states, along with Puerto Rico and
D.C., providing **\$0 state cash** to
match federal AEFLA funds.

Local funding and grantee contributions are the only
source of CO's match, placing **undue burden on**
already strapped providers and making it impossible
to adequately serve the state's adult learners.

Per student education
spending in Colorado



955
number of adult learners
served through CDE's
AELA grants (2017-2018)

< 1 %
percentage of the
population with need
for adult education who
received services

