MITIGATING LOW-LITERACY AND MATH SCORES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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ANALYSIS OF THE ISSUE

Unequal funding widens achievement gap.

Resource scarcity hinders student performance.

Property taxes affect school resources.

OPTIONS...

• Enhanced Report Cards

Pros: Increases transparency in education transparency.

Cons: Potential administrative burden.

Resolution: Standardize reports and train staff.

• Investment in Infrastructure

Pros: Better facilities improve student outcomes.

Cons: Questionable efficacy of broad funding.

Resolution: Implement evaluation frameworks to track fund usage.

After-School Programs

Pros: Boosts engagement and academic success.

Cons: Funding issues.

Resolution: Collaborate with nonprofits and educational institutions.

• Public Safety and Justice Initiatives

Pros: Decreases youth crime, enhances community safety.

Cons: Need for external investment.

Resolution: Link education to public safety to attract corporate support.







Authorize NSC Staff to review and revise school performance metrics, including student-to-staff ratios and teacher retention rates.

Invest in infrastructure of low-income schools and develop strategies for community engagement.

RECOMMENDATIONS



Start with pilot programs in districts with significant disparities to demonstrate benefits before wider rollout