



# COCHISE COUNTY DROPOUT RECOVERY ACCOMMODATION SCHOOL DISTRICT



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**Cochise County Superintendent of Schools**



## Accommodation School District

1. A school that is operated through the county board of supervisors and the county school superintendent and that the county school superintendent administers to serve a **military reservation** not included within the boundaries of a school district. **Ft Huachuca**
2. A school that provides educational services to homeless children or **alternative education** programs as provided in section 15-308, subsection B. **Proposed Dropout Recovery Accommodation School**



Pursuant to A.R.S. 15-101(1), 15-308(B), and 15-796, approve and support an accommodation school in Cochise County

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To establish an **alternative education program** that provides a course of study and adoption of teaching methods, materials and techniques to provide educationally for those pupils in grades **six through twelve** who are **unable to profit from the regular school** course of study and environment



# Approved Dropout Recovery Program (online)

- The Cochise County School Superintendent has partnered with GradSolutions LLC\* to establish a Dropout Recovery Program for
  - **high-risk students** in the, 6-12 grades (up to age 22), providing them a non-traditional alternative to complete their secondary education and move toward post-secondary opportunities, such as **certification programs, licensures, internships, and college.**
- However, in order to so an Accommodation District to operate the Dropout Recovery Program must first be established with the Arizona Department of Education.
- **The IGA with GradSolutions LLC was approved by the Board in November, 2020**



# Benefits

- This initiative will help reduce the County's **Opportunity Youth Rate**.
  - According to the AZ progress meter, Cochise County's Opportunity youth rate is **16%**; The state goal is to stay under **7%**
  - Arizona defines opportunity youth as **16-24** year-olds who are **NOT** going to school or working
- This initiative will also assist school districts in supporting their schools' **A-F grade** through Arizona's A-F accountability system. (Dropout vs. Withdrawal)



Cochise County's private, charter, and unified school districts support and welcome this initiative

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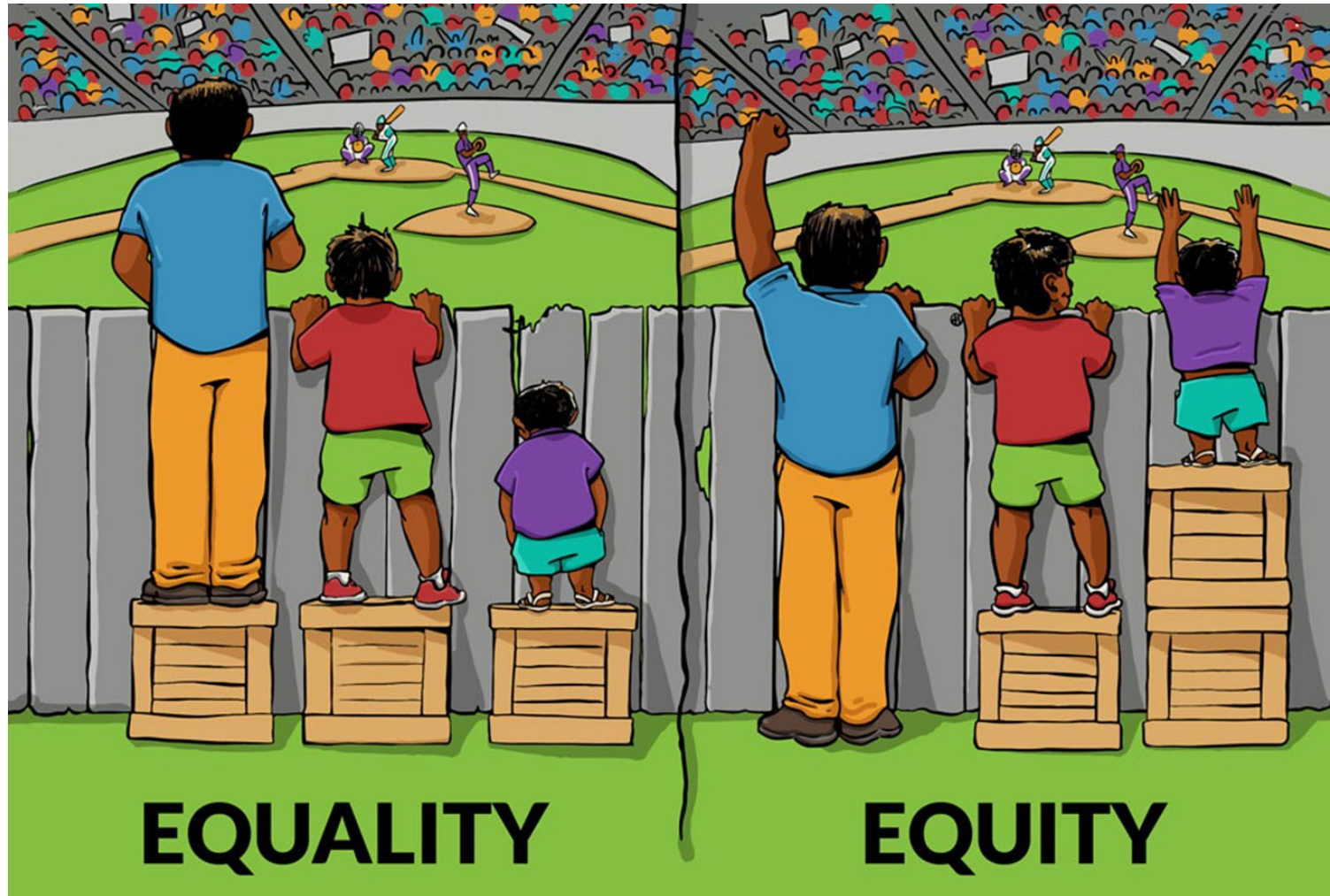
This online Accommodation Dropout Recovery School will provide our **high-risk youth** with **motivation, direction, and purpose**, giving them a **spirit of significance** as a Cochise County citizen.



- The contract between the School Superintendent and Grad Solutions provides that the cost per student-funded to Grad Solutions will be the funding for students in the program.

***There is no cost to the County to establish an Accommodation District***





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needs of our  
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Questions?