The Ohio 8 is a strategic alliance composed of the superintendents and teacher union presidents from Ohio’s eight urban school districts – Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown. The Ohio 8 Coalition’s mission is to work with policy makers to improve academic performance, increase graduation rates and close the achievement gap for urban children throughout Ohio. The Coalition carries out its mission by working closely with legislators, educators, parents, labor and community officials. The Coalition brings a shared administrator-teacher voice to help shape state education policy.
**Ohio 8 Enrollment:**

188,335 students

More than 11% of state student enrollment: 1,651,018

**Ohio 8 Preschool Enrollment**

2013-14: 7,337 students

2014-15: 7,762 students

**Ohio 8 Preschool Investment**

2013-14: $31 million

2014-15: $33 million

**Ohio 8 Preschool Stats**

- The average graduation rate for the Ohio 8 is nearly 72%.

**On average:**

90% of students met the third grade reading guarantee and were promoted to the 4th grade.

**The Ohio 8 provided students with more than 36 million meals in 2014-2015.**

**More than 1,450 postsecondary scholarships were received by students within the Ohio 8.**

**More than $92 million were distributed in scholarships.**