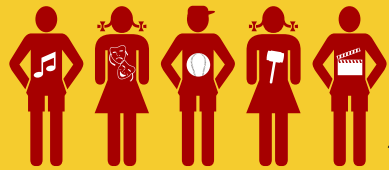
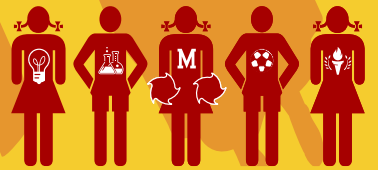


# the good news



## participation in student activities



- reduces dropout rates
- increases standardized test scores
- boosts GPAs
- promotes college and career success
- develops social and emotional skills
- leads students to make better choices



impact of non-athletic, after school activities on standardized test scores: \*



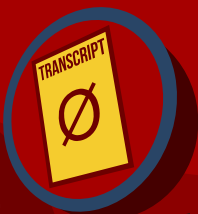
\* Journal of Educational Research, Schreiber and Chambers, 2002

# the bad news

most students aren't taking advantage of the extracurricular opportunities available to them



if students don't participate in arts, athletics, or activities, they miss valuable opportunities that set them up to thrive in school, in life, in college, and in careers



the average tenth grade student spends less than one hour each week involved in school-sponsored, adult-supervised, student-driven arts, athletics, or activities\*\*

\*\* Money, Mandates and Local Control in American Public Education, Shelly, 2011



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