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Dear Friends of RI Education,

It seems like just yesterday that I wrote to share the good news that RI had won \$75 million in the Race to the Top competition. How time flies! We are now more than halfway through the grant's 90-day planning period, working in partnership with our school districts to prepare for implementation.

Since being named a Race to the Top winner, we have received innumerable requests for information about our plan, what the funds will be used for, and what this will mean students, parents, teachers, administrators, and all Rhode Islanders. In response, we have developed a one-page [Race to the Top Overview](#) to help us communicate with our stakeholders, and to help stakeholders inform their communities, about this historic opportunity. Please view this document on our website and share it with your friends and colleagues. I hope it is helpful!

We will continue to keep you updated. Thank you so much for your continued engagement in this important work.

All the best,

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