



American Graduate Day 2015 is a national and local call-to-action telethon for communities to engage in stronger outcomes for students. On Saturday, October 3, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., WFYI will air the live telethon broadcast and other programs in partnership with WNET in New York. Featuring a dynamic mix of long-form programming, live breaks and pre-taped segments, the telethon will tell the stories of individuals and organizations making a positive difference in the lives of students. Localized breaks will highlight the efforts of 29 central Indiana organizations working tirelessly to improve graduation rates in Indiana. Tune in for 24 hours of American Graduate themed programming scheduled on WFYI 1 and WFYI 3 between October 3 - 4. For more information or to learn how you can get involved, visit amgrad.wfyi.org.

GOOD MORNING MISSION HILL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 9:30 AM ON WFYI 1

In this unique Boston public school teachers have control of their curriculum, and a say in just about every aspect of school life. Find out what can happen when teachers have the freedom to teach, plus the support to keep growing, and how their students flourish as a result.

GRADUATING INDIANA 2015

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 6 PM AND 11:30 PM ON WFYI 1

School superintendents from Washington, Warren, Pike and Wayne Townships in Indiana will discuss ways they are helping students of color and those affected by poverty to achieve higher outcomes in school.

STATE OF THE CLASSROOM 2015

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 7:30 PM ON WFYI 1

In this documentary, created by the Indiana Department of Education in partnership with WFYI, a panel of experts explore ways to strengthen the connections between teachers, volunteers, government agencies, and community services to give all of Indiana's children the quality education they deserve.

LITTLE CHILDREN, BIG RETURNS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 10:30 AM ON WFYI 1

This WFYI documentary offers a stimulating look at why it makes economic sense for Indiana to invest in state-funded early childhood education.

MAKING CONNECTIONS: DROPOUT PREVENTION IN RURAL SCHOOLS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 6:30 PM ON WFYI 1

Learn what trends are being seen across the country for rural dropout prevention in school districts, including in Jennings County, Indiana. A WFYI production, filmed in partnership with REL Midwest, this program features a conversation with John Hill, PhD, executive director, National Rural Education Association.



AMERICAN GRADUATE DAY



WHY NOT US

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 8:30 PM ON WFYI 1

Being the first in your family to attend college is daunting, but rewarding. Follow the journeys of four young people – all first in their families to go to college – as they road-trip across the country to interview inspiring individuals who were also first in their families to pursue higher education.



POV: AMERICAN PROMISE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 9:30 PM ON WFYI 1

Recorded over 12 years, this program traces the journeys of two middle-class African-American boys who enter a very prestigious, historically white, private school on Manhattan's Upper East Side, recording their challenges and successes. Ultimately, the program finds the greatest challenge for the families – and perhaps the country – is to close the black male educational achievement gap, which has been called "the civil rights crusade of the 21st century."

THE HOMESTRETCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 3:30 PM ON WFYI 3

Three homeless teenagers brave Chicago winters, the pressures of high school, and life alone on the streets to build a brighter future.

OUR TIME IS NOW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 4:30 PM ON WFYI 3

This character-driven, coming-of-age documentary shares the lives of six rural New Mexican students as they work toward finishing high school, wrestle with personal challenges, and pursue their dreams.

WHO CARES ABOUT KELSEY?

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 5:30 PM ON WFYI 3

This film documents the lives of students with emotional/behavioral challenges, and shows innovative educational approaches that help these students to succeed.

180 DAYS: HARTSVILLE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 6:30 PM ON WFYI 3, PARTS 1 AND 2

See how an entire small town in rural South Carolina is trying to make an exceptional use of their elementary school system.

DROPPING BACK IN

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 BEGINNING AT 8:30 PM ON WFYI 3

In this series of half-hour programs focusing on America's dropout crisis, you will meet some of America's dropouts, come to understand the issues they face, and learn about the people and programs helping them drop back in and move on with their educations and lives. Watch five different programs, beginning at 8:30.