

Congressman  
**Bruce Poliquin**  
Second Congressional District of Maine



## **Poliquin Helps Students Save for College**

***Separate the Myths from the FACTS***

- *MYTH: Fiscal year 2015 budget cuts Pell Grant spending.*
- **FACT:** The budget Congressman Bruce Poliquin supported **recognizes the importance of Pell Grants** as a critical source of financial aid.
- Without the budget Congressman Poliquin supported, Pell Grants will face a funding shortfall in 2017 – jeopardizing the program’s ability to keep its promises to students.
- *MYTH: Fiscal year 2015 budget gets rid of maximum award level.*
- **FACT:** The budget Congressman Poliquin supported **maintains the current maximum award level** for the next decade and puts the Pell Grant program **back on a sound financial footing.**
- **ALSO:** Congressman Bruce Poliquin fought against President Obama’s proposal to tax 529 college savings plans.
- **ALSO: Congressman Poliquin supported a bill that will help expand, strengthen and modernize 529 college savings plans** to make college more affordable. Now, students will be able to purchase necessary school supplies, such as computers, using their 529 account funds.
- As Maine’s Second District Representative, Congressman Poliquin believes that Republicans AND Democrats should be doing everything within their power to help ease the burden of college and its increasing financial costs.