SLA 2 – Attachment 1 Additional Information September 6, 2023

2022–23 Cohort Graduation Rate

Background Information

The rules for calculating the cohort graduation rate meet the requirements of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The cohort graduation rate is defined as the percentage of students in the adjusted cohort who graduate within four years with a regular high school diploma. To generate the 2022–23 cohort, first-time grade-nine students were identified in 2019–20. The cohort was then adjusted by adding any students who transferred into the cohort after grade nine and subtracting any students who transferred to a diploma granting institution, emigrated to another country, transferred to a prison or juvenile facility, or are deceased.

The disaggregated cohort graduation rates by school and by district are available online on the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction website. Also, available on the website is a supplementary document that explains the calculations used for the four-year and five-year cohort graduation rates.

TABLE 1. 2022–23 Four-year cohort graduation rate results by student group (2019–20 entering grade-nine students)

Subgroup	Denominator	Numerator	Percent
All Students	120,877	104,477	86.4
Male	61,796	51,834	83.9
Female	59,081	52,643	89.1
American Indian	1,221	981	80.3
Asian	3,974	3,764	94.7
Black	29,221	24,547	84.0
Hispanic	24,063	19,511	81.1
Two or More Races	5,473	4,568	83.5
White	56,773	50,975	89.8
Economically Disadvantaged	50,457	42,187	83.6
Not Economically Disadvantaged	70,420	62,290	88.5
English Learner	7,731	5,106	66.0
Not English Learner	113,146	99,371	87.8
Students with Disabilities	14,550	10,408	71.5
Not Student with Disabilities	106,327	94,069	88.5
Academically Gifted	19,134	*	>95

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TABLE 2. 2021–22 Four-year cohort graduation rate results by student group (2018–19 entering grade-nine students)

Subgroup	Denominator	Numerator	Percent
All Students	113,481	98,003	86.4
Male	58,233	48,538	83.4
Female	55,248	49,465	89.5
American Indian	1,200	1,024	85.3
Asian	3,733	*	>95
Black	27,302	22,773	83.4
Hispanic	20,945	16,790	80.2
Two or More Races	5,165	4,312	83.5
White	55,004	49,424	89.9
Economically Disadvantaged	32,533	25,851	79.5
Not Economically Disadvantaged	80,948	72,152	89.1
English Learner	7,202	4,815	66.9
Not English Learner	106,279	93,188	87.7
Students with Disabilities	14,448	10,260	71.0
Not Student with Disabilities	99,033	87,743	88.6
Academically Gifted	18,016	*	>95

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Table 3. 2022–23 Five-year cohort graduation rate results by student group (2018–19 entering grade-nine students)

Subgroup	Denominator	Numerator	Percent
All Students	113,471	99,482	87.7
Male	58,225	49,498	85.0
Female	55,246	49,984	90.5
American Indian	1,200	1,033	86.1
Asian	3,733	*	>95
Black	27,293	23,244	85.2
Hispanic	20,944	17,248	82.4
Two or More Races	5,165	4,411	85.4
White	55,004	49,836	90.6
Economically Disadvantaged	32,526	26,508	81.5
Not Economically Disadvantaged	80,945	72,974	90.2
English Learner	7,202	5,108	70.9
Not English Learner	106,269	94,374	88.8
Students with Disabilities	14,446	10,619	73.5
Not Students with Disabilities	99,025	88,863	89.7
Academically Gifted	18,016	*	>95

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Student group information is based on data collected when a student was last enrolled in a North Carolina school during the cohort.

2022–23 school year data as of August 21, 2023.