

State of Special Education in Oklahoma FFY 2021 Report

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Overview

- Purpose: Public awareness and stakeholder input
- Content: Review of federally reported indicators
 - SPP/APR: State Performance Plan & Annual Performance Report

What is the SPP/APR?

State Performance Plan & Annual Performance Report

- Under Section 616 of IDEA:
 - States are required to “...have in place a **performance plan** that evaluates [the State’s] efforts to implement [IDEA]...”
 - Each six-year “state performance plan” includes an APR:
 - Data collection and reporting to OSEP on 17 indicators and the state’s performance on the SPP targets
 - Public reporting on the performance of each LEA on the targets set in the APR
 - OSEP’s “Review and Determination”
 - Levels of Determination
 - State determined by OSEP
 - Districts determined by State

Why? Accountability.

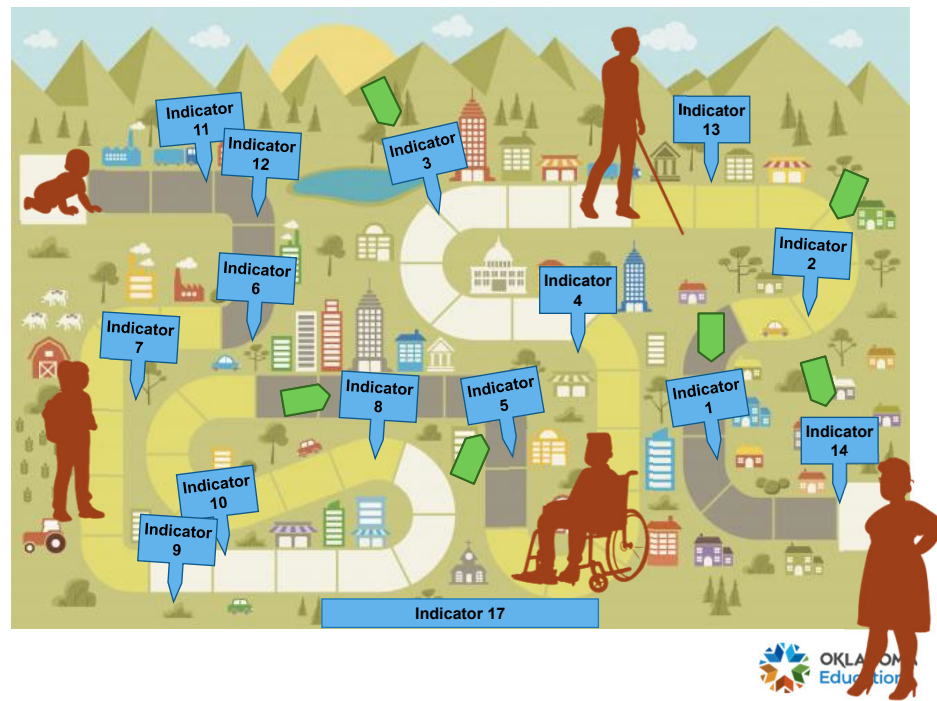
Section 1416(a)(2) of IDEA says, “The primary focus of Federal and State monitoring activities...shall be on:

- a) **Improving educational results and functional outcomes for all children with disabilities;** and
- b) Ensuring that States **meet the program requirements** ...with a particular emphasis on those requirements that are most closely related to improving educational results for children with disabilities.”

State Oversight Indicators

1	Graduation	10	Dispro. Representation/Disability
2	Dropout	11	Initial Evaluation Timeliness
3	Statewide Assessment	12	Early Childhood Transition Timeliness
4	Discrepant Discipline (Suspensions)	13	Secondary Transition
5	Educational Placement (LRE, 6-21)	14	Post-School Outcomes
6	Early Childhood Environment (3-5)	15	Resolution Session Outcomes
7	Early Childhood Outcomes	16	Mediation Outcomes
8	Parent Involvement		
9	Disproportionate Representation	17	State Systemic Improvement Plan

Why the Indicators Matter for Students



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Indicators 11 & 12: Timely Evaluation

Questions addressed:

- Ind. 11: What percentage of students were evaluated within **45 school days** of receiving parental consent for *initial* evaluation?
- Ind. 12: What percentage of children referred by Part C were found eligible for Part B and had an IEP developed and implemented by their **third birthdays**?

Targets: set by OSEP as a compliance indicator

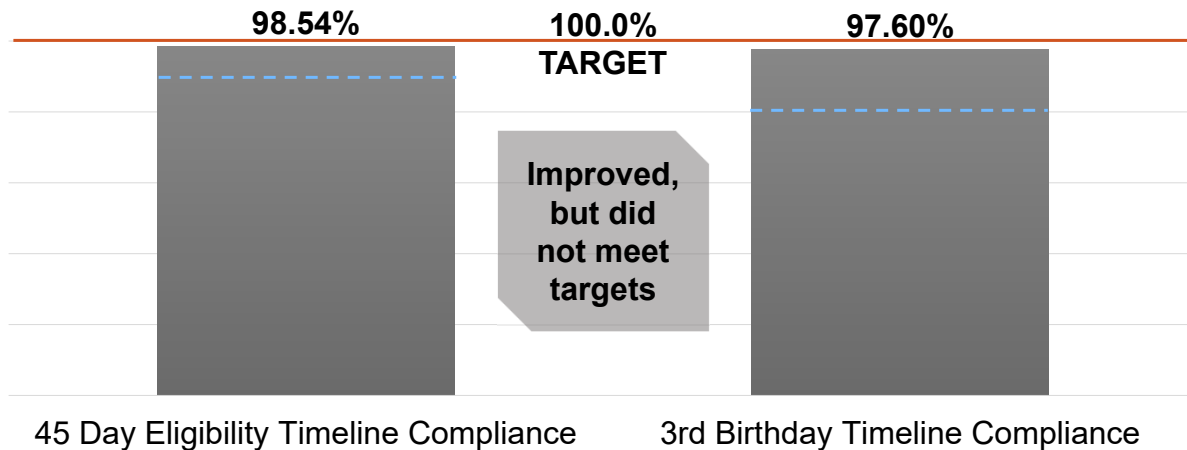
Source: Student counts submitted by districts in the District Summary Data during the most recent June 30 EOY Collection

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11 & 12: Evaluation Timeliness

National Averages
(blue dash):
11: 94% 2: 90%



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Indicator 6: Early Childhood Environment

Questions addressed:

What percentage of 3 to 5 year old children in PK...

- Are in a regular early childhood program and receive the majority of SPED services in that environment?
- Receive their EC education and services in a separate SPED class, separate school, or residential facility?
- Receive their services at home?

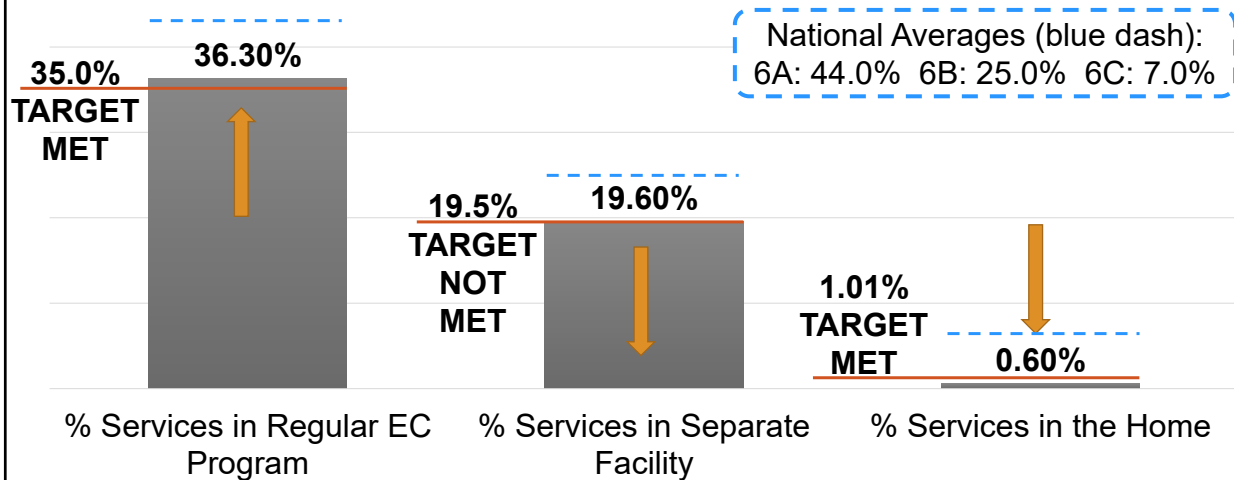
Targets: set by state with community consultation

Source: prior year October 1 Child Count through EdPlan

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6: EC Environments



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Indicator 7: Early Childhood Outcomes

Question addressed:

Are children ages 3-5 in PK progressing toward peer-level performance on various EC **outcomes**?

- Positive Social-Emotional Skills
- Acquisition & Use of Knowledge & Skills
- Use of Behavior to Meet Needs

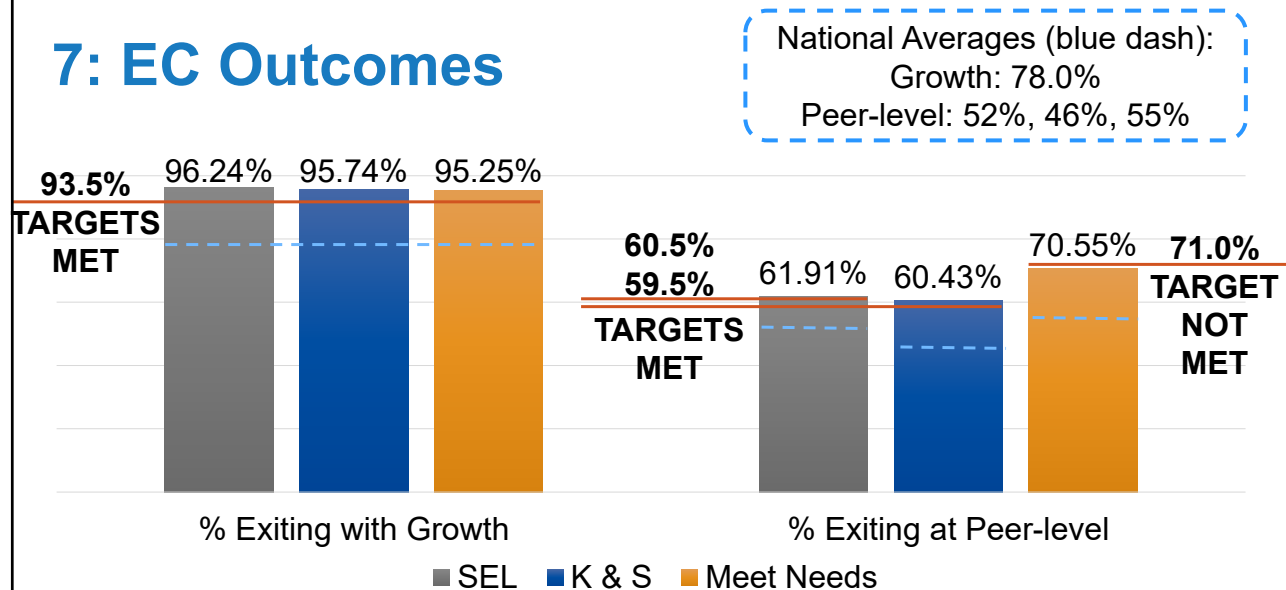
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7: EC Outcomes



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Indicators 9 & 10: Disproportionate Representation

Questions addressed:

- Ind. 9: Are students of one racial group more likely to be identified as needing an IEP than any other racial group, due to inappropriate policies, practices, and/or procedures?
- Ind. 10: Are students of one racial group more likely to be identified as having a particular disability than any other racial group, due to inappropriate policies, practices, and/or procedures?

Targets: set by OSEP as a compliance indicator

Source: prior year October 1 Child Count through EdPlan, ages 5 in KG through 21 only (the difference with significant disproportionality)

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9 & 10: Disproportionate Representation

- No districts identified as noncompliant in SY 21-22.
- Targets of 0% were met.

Indicator 8: Parent Involvement

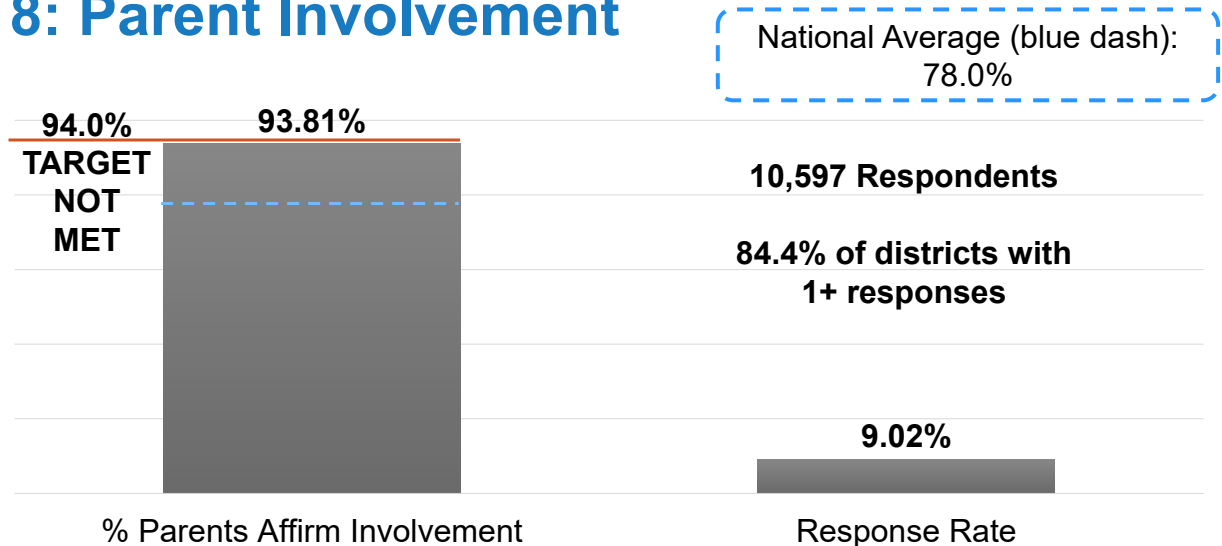
Question addressed:

What do parents think about how the school supported their participation throughout the IEP process?

Target: set by state with community consultation

Source: Parent surveys collected during the most recent fiscal year, managed by TAESE

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Parent Survey Q1-Q5

- I am considered an equal partner with teachers and other professionals in planning my child's education.
- Teachers encourage me to be involved in making decisions about my child's services.
- The school communicates with me regarding my child's progress on IEP goals.
- Administrators seek out parent input.
- *Fill in the blank:* _____ of my concerns and recommendations were addressed at this year's IEP meeting.

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Parent Survey Q6-Q8

- I was offered special assistance and support so that I could participate in the IEP meeting (e.g., interpreter, mutually agreed-upon scheduling, etc.).
- I have been given information about who to call if I am not satisfied with the services my child receives.
- The school offers parents a variety of ways to communicate with teachers and administrators.

Discussion: Indicator 8

- What can the state and districts do to:
 - Increase response rates on the survey?
 - Improve district support for parental involvement?
 - Participation & engagement
 - Communication
 - Accommodations

Indicator 5: Educational Setting

Questions addressed:

What percentage of the school day do students with IEPs (ages 5 in KG – 21) spend in the regular education setting?

- A. Greater than 80%
- B. Less than 40%
- C. In separate settings

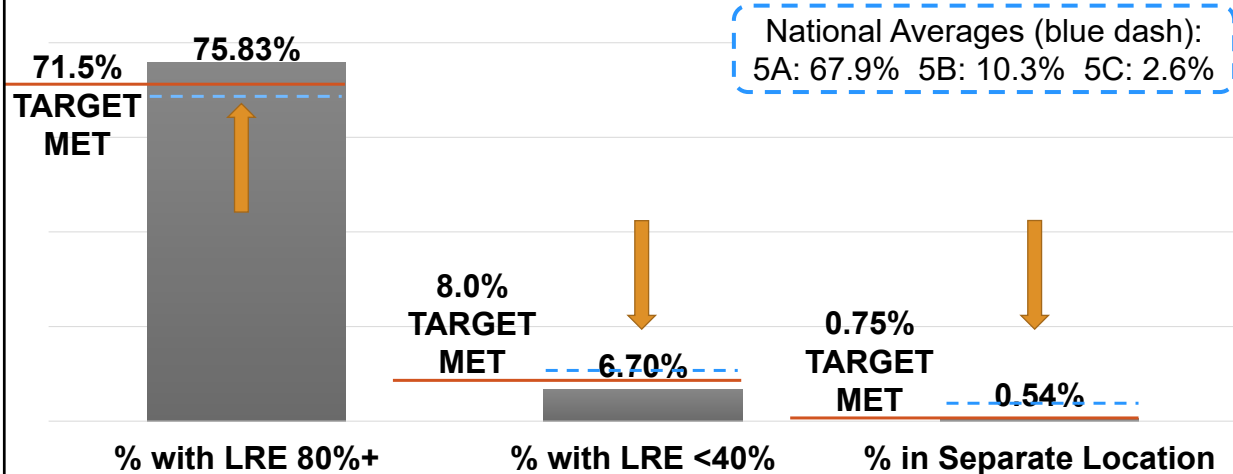
Targets: set by state with community consultation

Source: prior year October 1 Child Count through EdPlan

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5: Educational Setting



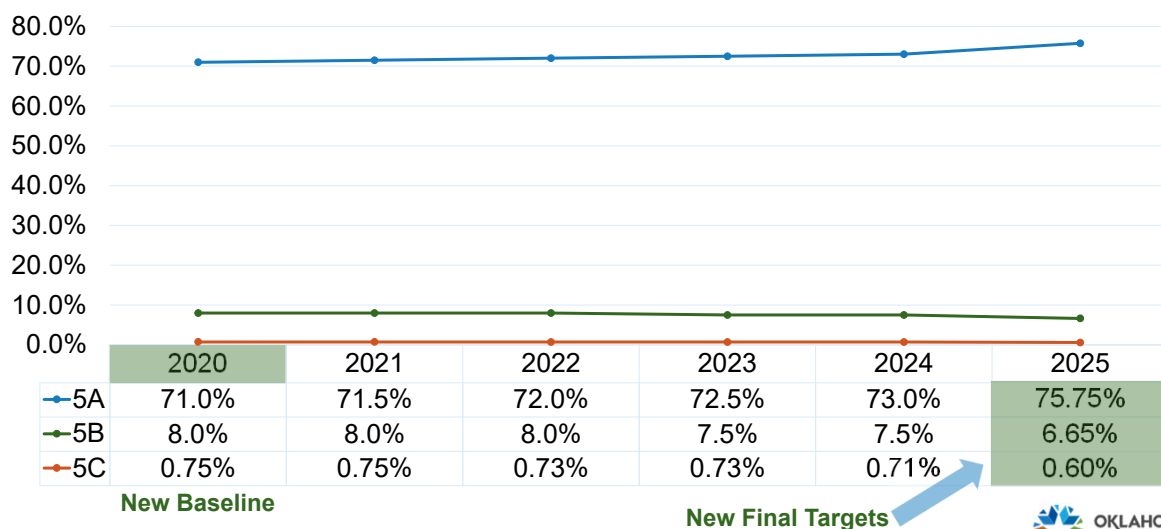
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Discussion: Indicator 5

- OSEP required OSDE-SES to reset baseline to FFY 2020 in a response to last year's SPP/APR submission.
 - This requires the state to reset final targets on all 3 sub-sections of indicator 5 to be "better than" baseline.
 - Need discussion with stakeholders about the change, since stakeholders originally set baseline at FFY 2019.
- Questions? Concerns?

5: Revised Targets



Indicator 4: Discrepant Discipline

Question addressed:

Are students with IEPs more or less likely than their peers to be suspended and/or expelled due to inappropriate policies, practices and/or procedures?

- 4A: Overall for SWD
- 4B: By racial/ethnic groups

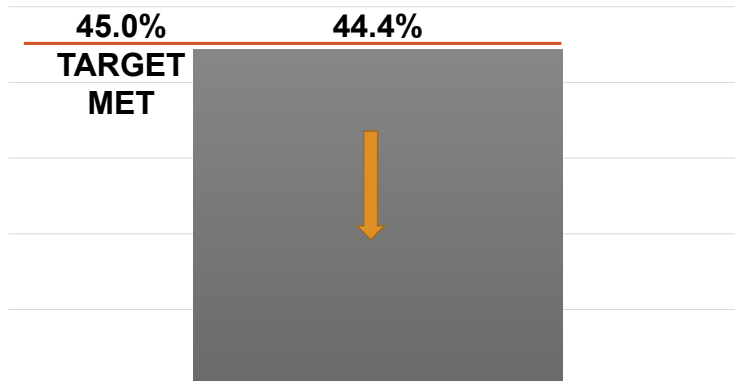
Targets: set by state and by OSEP as a compliance indicator

Source: Individual student (ages 3-21) out of school suspension data submitted during the most recent June 30 EOY Collection through EdPlan

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4: Discrepant Discipline



4A: % Districts with a Discipline Discrepancy

- Only 9 districts included in 4A target calculation.
- No districts identified as noncompliant in SY 21-22.
- **4B** target of 0% was met.

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Indicator 17: State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP)

State-identified Measurable Result: By FFY 2025, Oklahoma will see improved early literacy skills for K-3 students in targeted low-performing schools as identified by the state's ESSA plan.

Question addressed:

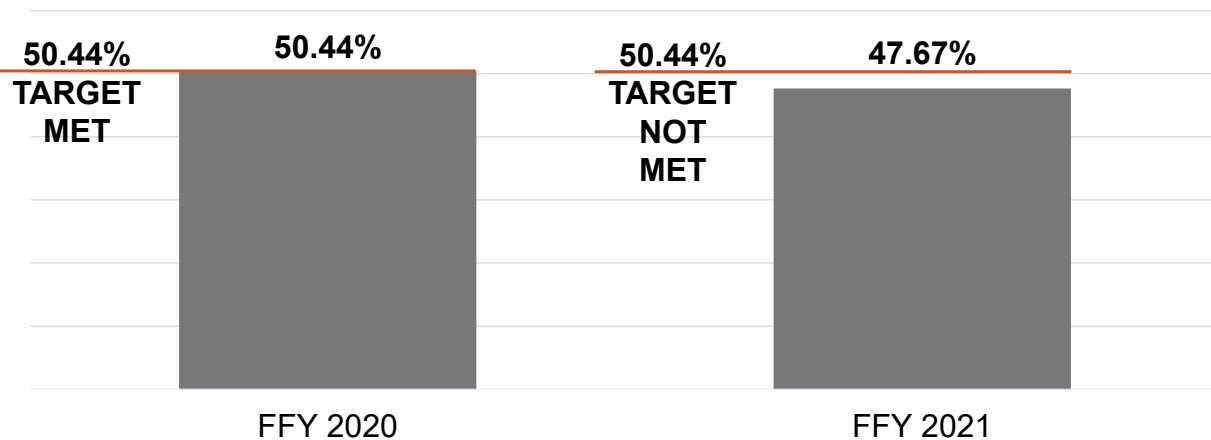
Are students in grades KG through third in ATSI* school sites completing their school year on grade level in reading?

Targets: set by state

Source: RSA reading screener data collected at the beginning and end of each school year.

*ATSI: ESSA designation of "Additional Targeted Support and Improvement" needed based on weak site assessment scores

17: Reading "On-Level" State Rate (ATSI)



Indicator 3: Assessments

Questions addressed in APR for grades 4, 8 & 11 separately:

- Ind. 3A: At what rate are students with IEPs participating in statewide math and reading assessments?
- Ind. 3B & 3C: At what rate are these students proficient or advanced on math and reading academic standards, reporting OSTP & OAAP separately?
- Ind. 3D: What is the gap in proficiency for SWD vs. all students against grade-level academic standards in math and reading?

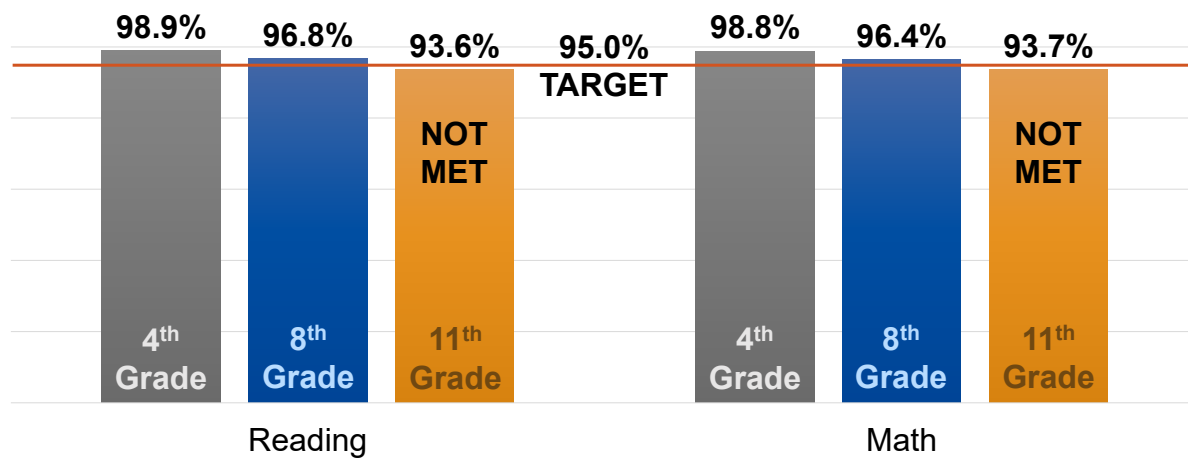
Targets: set by state with community consultation

Sources: Testing vendors and the Office of Accountability

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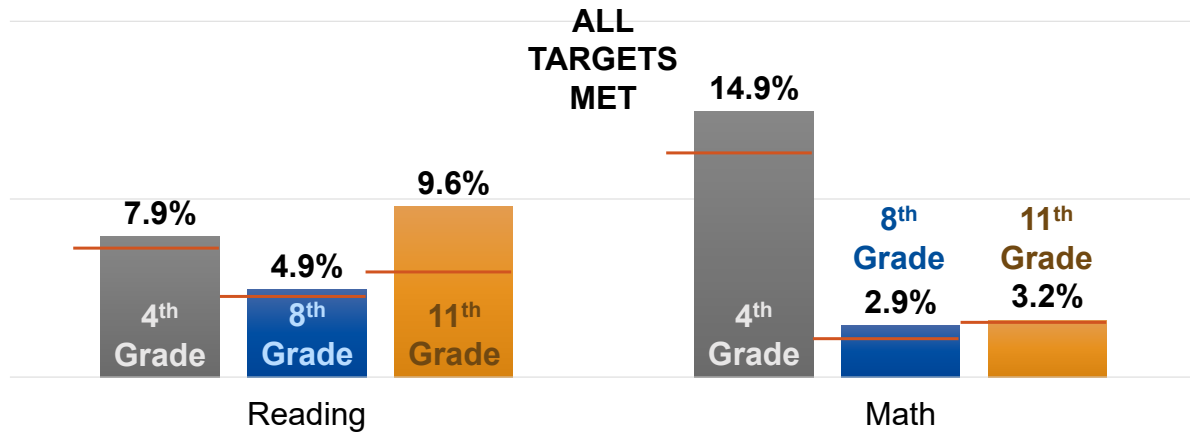
3A: Participation Rates



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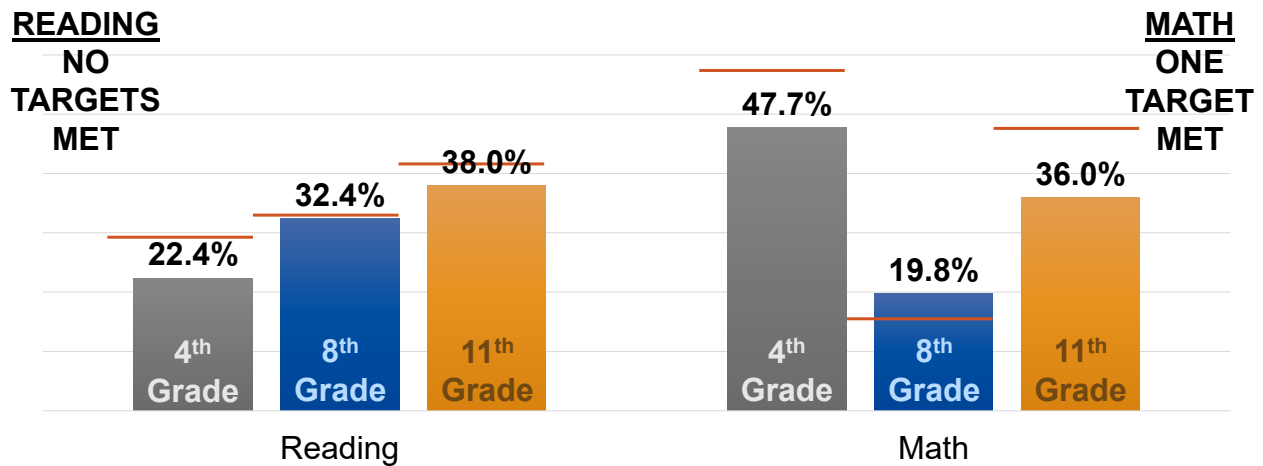
3B: General Assessment Proficiency



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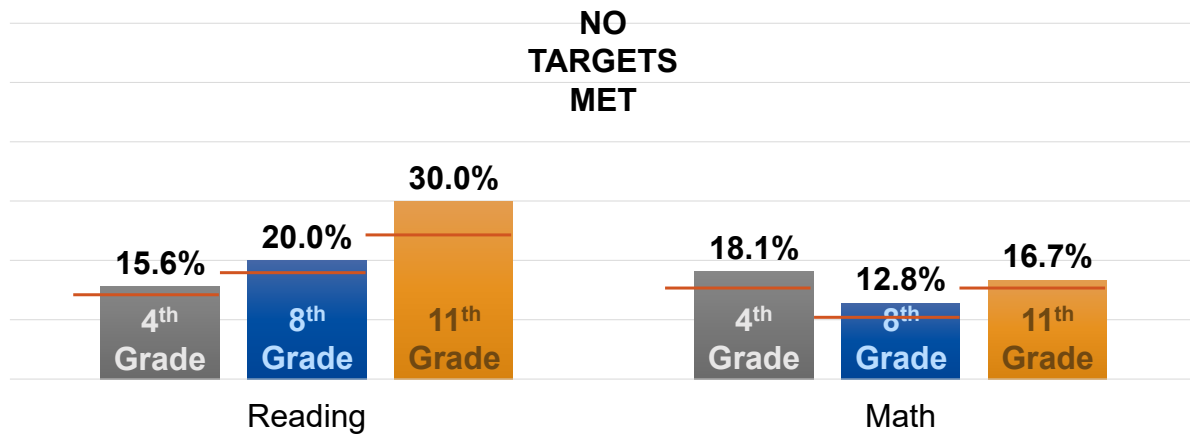
3C: Alternate Assessment Proficiency



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3D: Proficiency Gap on the General Assmt. (Gap between All Students and SWD)



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Discussion: Indicator 3

- What can the state do to support districts to improve assessment outcomes?

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Indicator 13: Secondary Transition

Question addressed:

Do students ages 16 or older/in 9th grade or higher have IEPs that meet the eight **secondary transition requirements**?

Next year: students ages 15 or older.

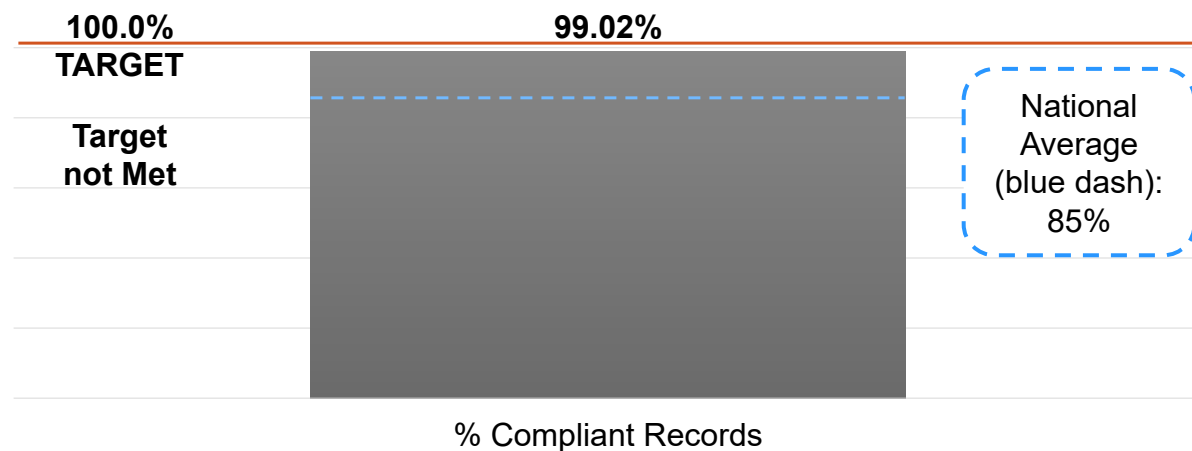
Target: set by OSEP as a compliance indicator

Source: IEPs reviewed during the most recent June 30 EOY
Collection through EdPlan

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13: Secondary Transition Compliance



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Indicators 1 & 2: Secondary Outcomes

Questions addressed:

- Ind. 1: What percent of exiters had graduated (ages 14-21)?
- Ind. 2: What percent of exiters had dropped out of school (ages 14-21)?

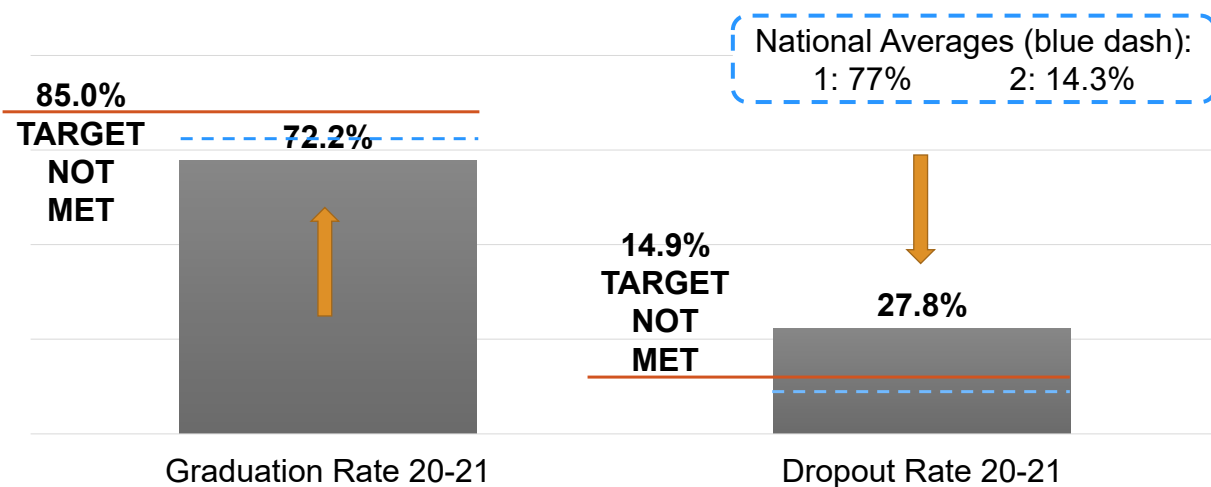
Targets: set by state with community consultation

Source for both: exiting data for prior year pulled from EdPlan; match Accountability database to confirm exit status

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1 & 2: Graduation & Dropout Results



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Discussion: Indicators 1 & 2

- What can the state do to support districts to increase the chances of students graduating instead of dropping out?

Indicator 14: Post-Secondary Outcomes

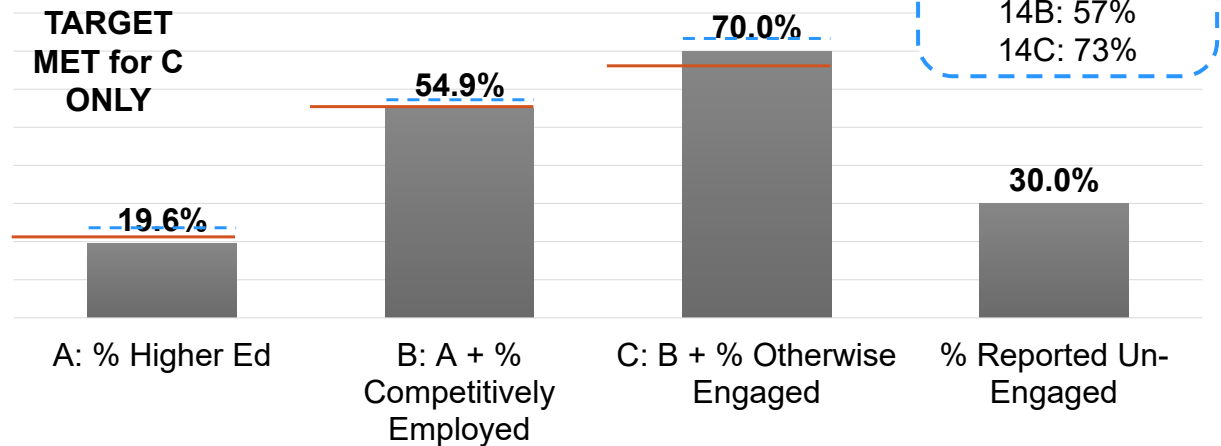
Question addressed:

What are exiters with IEPs doing **after high school**?

Targets: set by state with community consultation

Sources: Survey of “exiters” from two school years prior, conducted by TAESSE the previous year

14: Post-Secondary Outcomes



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Discussion: Indicator 14

- What can the state and districts do to:
 - Increase response rates on the survey?
 - Improve post-secondary outcomes?

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Thank you!

- Please contact anyone at OSDE-SES (405-521-3551) if you...
 - would like to share more ideas for improving student outcomes,
 - would like more information about special education data, or
 - if you have questions about special education.
- For more information about the APR or the SSIP, we have a website for that!
 - <https://sde.ok.gov/apr-target-setting>
 - <https://sde.ok.gov/state-systemic-improvement-plan>