

Colorado Post School Outcomes Information Sheet

What is the Post School Outcomes Survey?

Indicator 14 of the Annual Performance Report (APR) requires that public schools must collect, and the Colorado Department of Education (CDE), Exceptional Student Services Unit (ESSU), must report, the percentage of all students who are no longer in secondary school, had an IEP in effect at the time they left (which includes students with disabilities who dropped out, graduated, and aged out) and who are now enrolled in college or training programs; or are employed, either competitively or noncompetitively.

Why is this collection required?

- Federal and public reporting provisions
- District and charter school improvement initiatives
- Successful transition to adulthood for all students with special needs

Who collects this data?

Any school that serves students eligible for special education ages **16 and over** is required to participate. CDE/ESSU must ensure that data is collected from designated administrative units (AUs) each year. All designated school districts or charters are responsible for their data collection procedures, including assigning staff to conduct the survey.

Who gets interviewed?

Students ages **16 and over** who were eligible for special education services and that dropped out, graduated, or aged out during the year before qualify to participate in the PSO Survey. The names of students to be surveyed, contact information, demographic information, and the online survey are available on the secure CDE/ESSU Data Management System. It is expected that the PSO Survey will be administered to all students from the AUs who are identified in their sample as being eligible to participate.

When is the data collected?

The data is collected by schools' administering the PSO Survey between June 1 and September 15 the year following students' leaving school.

What performance level is required to meet State targets?

- Along with input from stakeholders, CDE/ESSU sets targets based on baseline performance.
- Targets must be measurable and rigorous.
 - Participation = 60%
 - Higher Education = 32.75%
 - Higher Education + Competitive Employment = 61.25%
 - Higher Education + Competitive Employment + Other Education + Other Employment (all engagement) = 69.25%
- AUs are expected to meet State targets.

Resources Available:

The PSO Survey protocol, training materials, and other resources are available on [our Secondary Transition Webpage](http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdesped/transition). (<http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdesped/transition>).

Contact Information:

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