



Overview of the rate calculations for graduation, completion, and dropout

	Graduation Rate	Completion Rate	Dropout Rate
Time Period	4-Year Cohort (Class of 2017)	4-Year Cohort (Class of 2017)	Annual (July 1 to June 30)
Numerator	Number of students receiving a high school diploma within 4 years of entering 9th grade	Number of students who graduate plus number who receive a high school equivalency diploma or designation of HS within 4 years of entering 9th grade	Number of reported dropouts and “age outs” during the past year
Denominator	Number of students entering 9th grade four years earlier plus transfers in and minus verified transfers out	Number of students entering 9th grade four years earlier plus transfers in and minus verified transfers out	Number of students that were in membership in grades 7-12 at any time during the annual school year
Statewide 2016-17 rate (and count)	79.0% 50,700 graduates / 64,140 membership base	80.8% 51,798 completers / 64,140 membership base	2.3% 10,421 dropouts / 452,502 students in grades 7-12
Notes	5-, 6-, and 7-year graduation rates and still enrolled rates are also calculated and posted for each graduating class	5-, 6-, and 7-year completion rates are also calculated and posted for each graduating class	Students transferring to a high school equivalency program are not counted as dropouts in the dropout rate