

Strategic Goal 1:

To Improve Academic Achievement

Objective D:

Graduation Rate

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Objective, Baseline & Target

Objective: To increase the District graduation rate utilizing the cohort-based formulas as reported by the Georgia Department of Education (GADOE) and the leaver rate as reported by SCCPSS.

Baseline:

Cohort Grad Rate: 4 Yr*	Leaver Grad Rate*
54.4%	62.0%

Target:

Cohort Grad Rate: 4 Yr	Leaver Grad Rate
70.0%	80.0%

*Cohort Grad Rate baseline year SY 2010-11
Leaver Grad Rate baseline year SY 2006-07

Graduation Rate Formulas: Leaver Rate

- ❑ Through SY 2010-11, GADOE calculated the graduation rate using the “Leaver” formula.
- ❑ The leaver formula calculates graduation rates based on the number of students who earn a regular education diploma in four or more years.

Number of 12th graders receiving a regular
education diploma in 2011-12

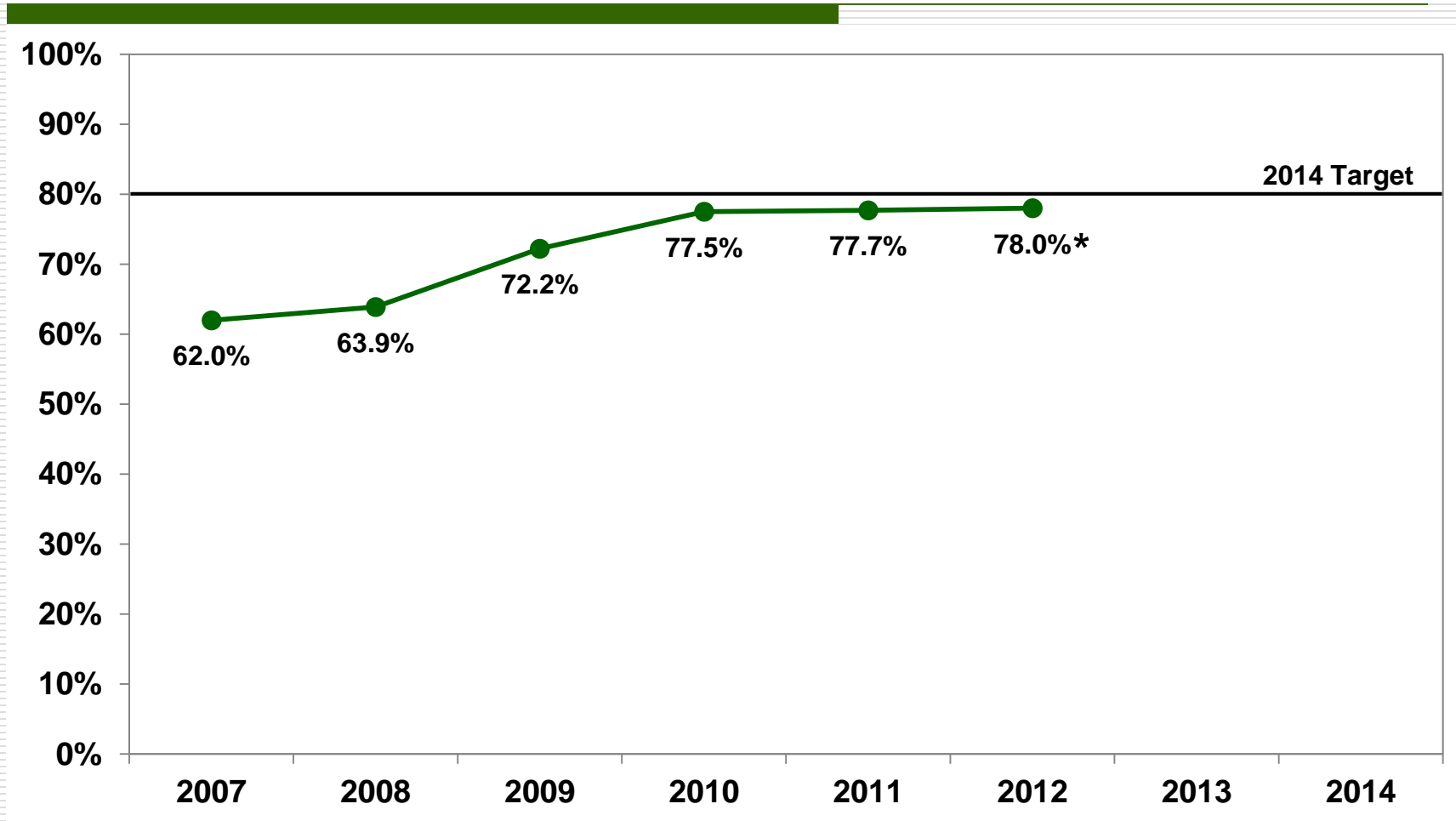
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Total number of 12th grade completers +
12th grade dropouts in 2011-12 +
11th grade dropouts in 2010-11 +
10th grade dropouts in 2009-10 +
9th grade dropouts in 2008-09

- ❑ Because GADOE no longer publishes a leaver graduation rate, SCCPSS calculated the SY 2011-12 leaver graduation rate locally.



Historic Leaver Graduation Rate



* No longer published by GADOE; calculated locally.

Leaver Graduation Rate by Subgroups

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12*	1 Yr Chg	4 Yr Chg
Asian	80.6%	94.1%	90.4%	97.9%	7.5	17.3
Black	70.2%	75.7%	74.8%	75.6%	0.8	5.4
Hispanic	71.6%	87.7%	80.6%	82.0%	1.4	10.4
White	76.4%	79.7%	82.1%	81.1%	-1.0	4.7
Multiracial	82.4%	84.1%	86.3%	82.8%	-3.5	0.4
Female	76.1%	82.6%	83.7%	82.5%	-1.2	6.4
Male	67.8%	71.9%	71.1%	73.3%	2.2	5.5
ED	69.1%	78.2%	77.5%	79.4%	1.9	10.3
EL	39.3%	73.7%	60.0%	53.9%	-6.1	14.6
SWD	29.4%	33.1%	46.8%	31.0%	-15.8	1.6

At/above 2014 target
 Increase

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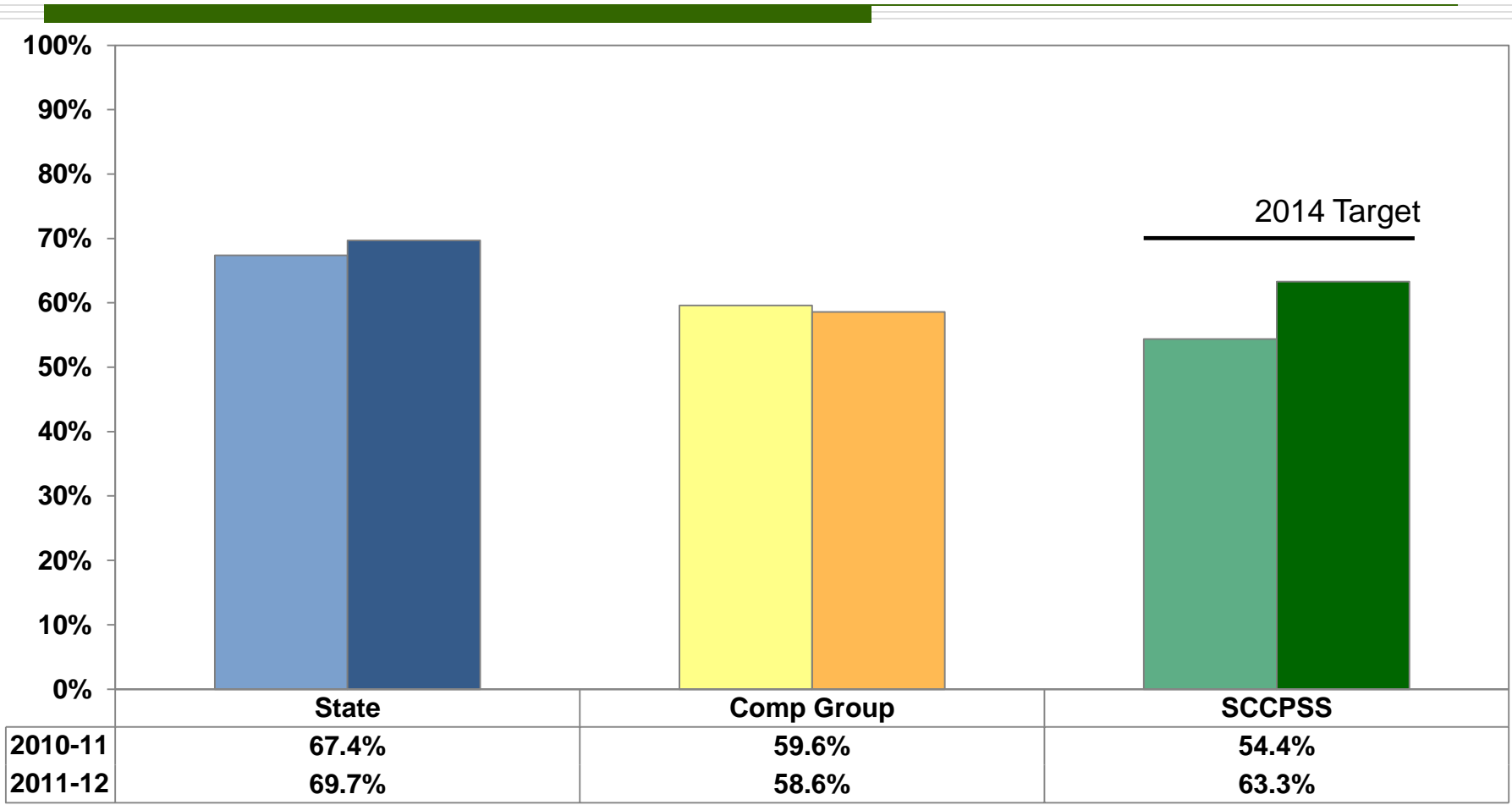
Graduation Rate Formulas: Cohort Rates

- ❑ In April 2012 GADOE began publishing a graduation rate based on the cohort calculation method that the United States Department of Education now requires all states to use.
- ❑ The cohort formula tracks individual students from the date of 9th grade entry in order to determine whether they earn a regular education diploma within 4 years.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Number of students who entered 9}^{\text{th}} \text{ grade in SY 2008-09 \&} \\
 \text{earned a regular diploma in SY 2011-12} \\
 \text{-----Divided by-----} \\
 \text{Total number of students who entered 9}^{\text{th}} \text{ grade} \\
 \text{in SY 2008-09}^*
 \end{array}$$

- ❑ GADOE also publishes a Five-Year Extended Cohort Graduation Rate to determine whether students earn a regular diploma within 5 years. The Five Year Extended rate for SY 2011-12 will be published during SY 2013-14.


Comparison of System, State, & Comp Group Cohort Graduation Rates



NOTE: Gradation of chart color from lightest to darkest represents progression of years

Cohort Graduation Rate by Subgroups

	2010-11	2011-12	1 Yr Chg
Asian	71.7%	89.6%	17.9
Black	51.8%	61.6%	9.8
Hispanic	52.9%	52.2%	-0.7
White	60.1%	66.0%	5.9
Multiracial	53.0%	65.3%	12.3
Female	61.3%	68.7%	7.4
Male	47.7%	57.4%	9.7
ED	52.5%	59.5%	7.0
EL	28.0%	43.8%	15.8
SWD	22.3%	24.8%	2.5

 At/above 2014 target

 Increase

Actions

- ❑ The Executive Director of High Schools and Compensatory Programs will continue to monitor the implementation of the System-Wide Academic Records Management (SWARM) Protocol at each high school to ensure data accuracy.

- ❑ Principals will continue to implement the instructional focus block within the common schedule to support students at risk for failure due to academics and/or behavior.

- ❑ Principals will continue to document teacher implementation of the Common Core Georgia Performance Standards using the new Teacher Keys Evaluation System (TKES).

- ❑ Principals will continue to verify accuracy of student records twice per year (Fall & Spring) to increase cohort graduation rates.

Questions

**DISTRICT
ACCOUNTABILITY
SYSTEM**



Data Criteria

- Comparison group districts include Clarke, Clayton, DeKalb, Dougherty, Liberty, Muscogee, Richmond, Spalding, Troupe, and Atlanta Public Schools.
- Leaver rate data for SY 2008-09 through SY 2010-11 are based on GADOE and Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA) reports. Leaver rate data for SY 2011-12 are calculated locally based on official Student Record data submissions.
- Four Year Cohort graduation rate and Five Year Cohort graduation rate data for District, State, and Comparison Group are based on reports provided by GADOE. Cohort graduation rate data by gender, ethnic, and other subgroups are calculated from individual student level data files provided by GADOE.