

Where Do Students Go? How Do You Know? Options for Data-Starved Districts

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Our mission:

We lead the collaborative movement to ensure every Floridian achieves an education beyond high school and a rewarding career.

Our vision:

A Florida working together, where education is the pathway to economic mobility for all.



FCAN's Work



Research and Data FCAN publishes research and data on evidence-based practices and policy opportunities to strengthen Florida's talent pool.

Local college access networks (LCANs) LCANs support 82% of the state's population. These organizations are made up of community leaders who come together to create solutions and partnerships to support local talent development.



Statewide Initiatives FCAN coordinates 4 College Ready Florida initiatives that provides schools and community organizations resources to help students continue their education after high school.



7 Conditions for Success

Opportunity for everyone: To build a talent-strong economy, all Floridians need access to a postsecondary education and the supports to complete it.

Clear information and guidance: Students and families need exposure and counseling early and often to make informed decisions about their futures.

Affordable: Postsecondary education needs to be within everyone's financial reach, regardless of household income or life circumstances.

Multiple pathways to success: Floridians benefit from multiple learning opportunities for academic achievement and career advancement.

Lifelong learning: No degree or credential is "one and done;' Floridians need to prepare for career changes through continuous learning.

Effective use of data: Transparent access to data on education and economic outcomes, especially for Florida's diverse populations, helps achieve our goals.

Community collaboration: When community partners work together toward a shared vision, they remove barriers, build a robust workforce, and improve the quality of life for their regions.



Guest presenter



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HI! I'M GLAD TO BE HERE!



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TODAY'S GOALS

- 1. Explore options for accessing data that shows where students go after high school
- 2. Understand how to leverage this data to better understand students' postsecondary choices and how that differs from their intentions
- 3. Leave plenty of time for your questions and thoughts



NCAN: WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO

NCAN PURSUES ITS MISSION BY BUILDING NETWORK CAPACITY, ADVOCATING FOR POLICY SOLUTIONS, AND SUPPORTING SYSTEMS CHANGE

Build network capacity

Bolster the skills and competencies of college access and success leaders and practitioners through professional development, news from the field, data, and tools.

Advocate for policy solutions

Advocate for equitable college completion rates by amplifying a range of policy solutions, mobilizing members, and leveraging student voice.

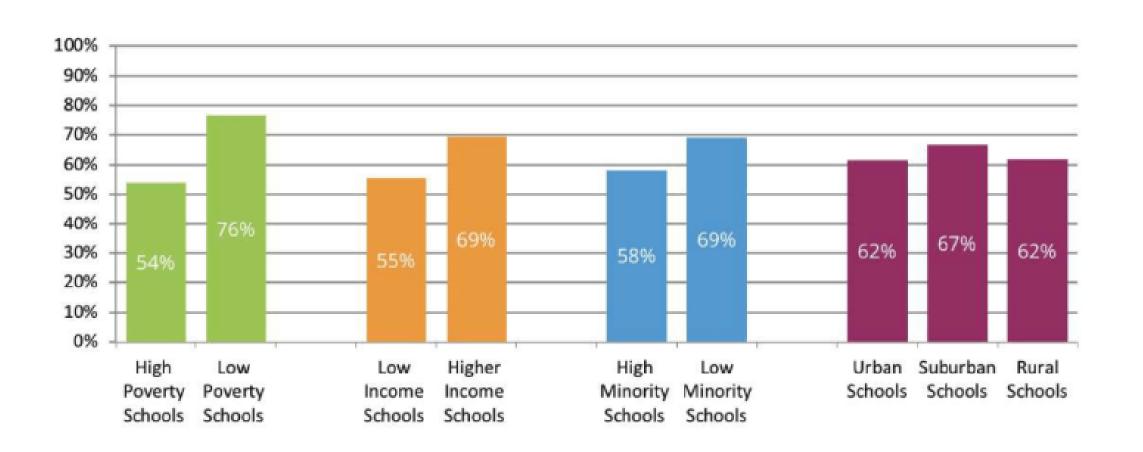
Support systems change

Help school districts, higher education institutions, and other community stakeholders to **adopt effective strategies for students**.



TALENT IS EVERYWHERE, BUT OPPORTUNITY IS NOT.

Figure A. College Enrollment Rates in the First Fall after High School Graduation, Class of 2018, Public Non-Charter Schools

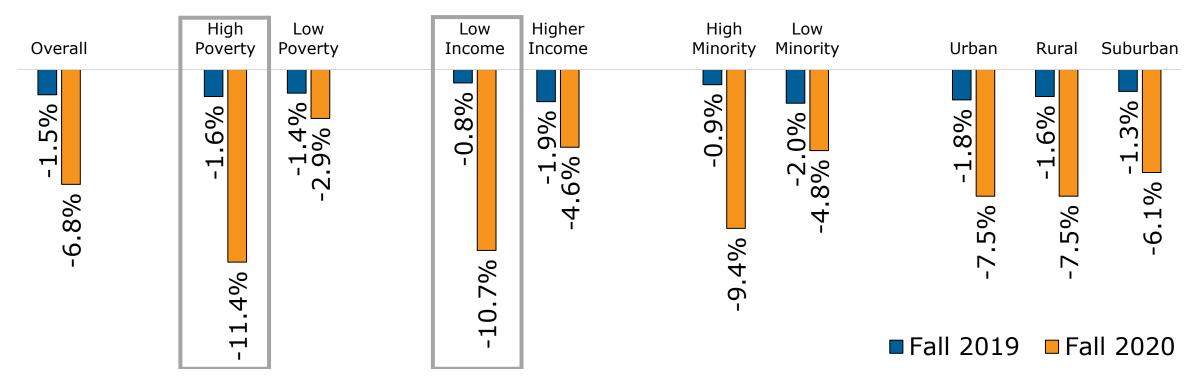




THAT'S ESPECIALLY TRUE IN THE AGE OF COVID

The high school class of 2020's immediate **fall postsecondary enrollment fell nearly 7%**, but declines were inequitable. High schools with more students of color and students from low-income backgrounds saw larger decreases.

Percent Change in Immediate Fall Enrollments by High School Characteristics, Classes of 2019 and 2020



WHAT IS CURRENTLY YOUR BIGGEST HURDLE TO TRACKING POSTSECONDARY OUTCOMES DATA?



NO MATTER THE SOURCE, THERE ARE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

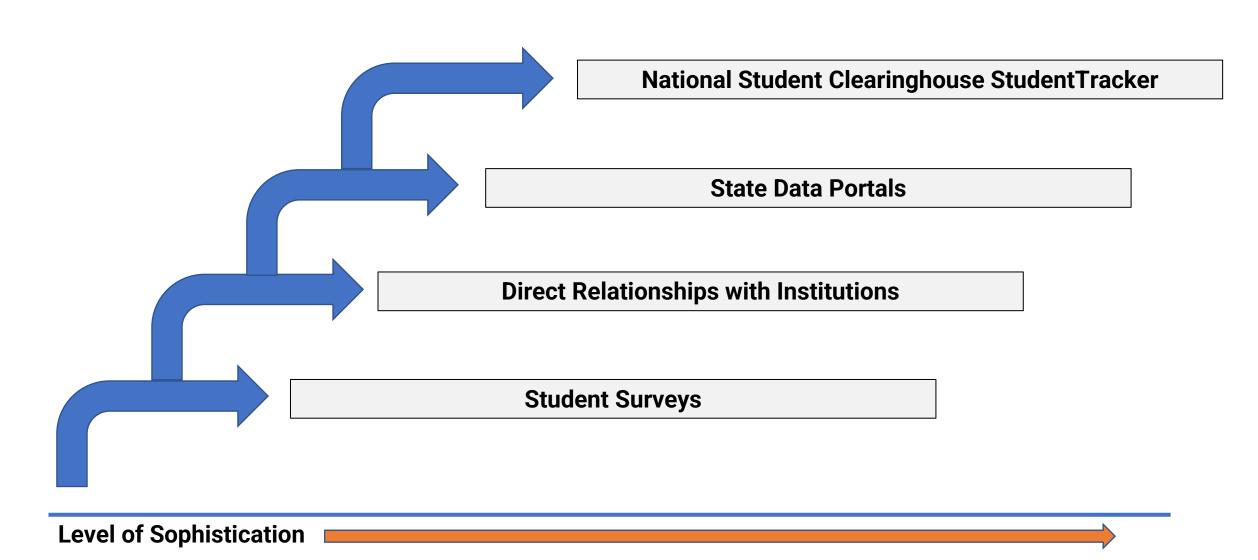
Some key questions all districts, schools, and programs should be able to answer:

- How many of my students enroll after high school graduation?
- Do my students who get to college persist?
- Do my students who get to college complete a degree? If so, what kind?
- To which institutions do my students most often matriculate?
- How long does it take my students to complete a degree?
- When are my students stopping out?
- Which sectors of schools are my students attending?
- Which specific schools are my students attending?
- How do these vary by students' demographic characteristics?

HOW DO YOU CURRENTLY TRACK STUDENT OUTCOMES?



FOUR PATHWAYS TO MEASURING POSTSECONDARY OUTCOMES



"TIME-INTENSIVE, LESS RELIABLE, BUT ALL IN-HOUSE": STUDENT SURVEYS

PROS:

- Inexpensive (\$)
- Easily adapted to local context/school needs
- Relatively easy to build out and analyze

CONS:

- Time-intensive (staff time, time to administer, time to analyze)
- Less scientific/reliable
- Prone to sampling bias



STUDENT SURVEYS

- Lots of districts and schools use senior exit surveys, but how do they make use
 of the data?
- Administer early; more time = more time to act.
- How should we collect these data?
 - Collecting electronically means less data entry, but more difficult to tell who completed (and make sure you have as complete a data file as possible)
- Key items:
 - Understand students' postsecondary intentions (i.e., type of pathway)
 - Identify intended institution
 - Key milestones (e.g., FAFSA completed), pain points (e.g., getting to campus, paid housing deposit)?
 - Level of confidence about plans (for triaging summer melt support)
 - Verify birthdate, legal name (in case you want to verify with NSC later)
 - Confirm contact information (email, phone number)



STUDENT SURVEYS

- All of this is the "pre-" to get to the "post-", need to verify what happened to students.
- Depending on capacity/approach:
 - Call a random sample of seniors in fall and spring to hear if they enrolled
 - Issue a post-survey (and be sure to collect name so you can link to results before graduation)
- Real level up: administer a postsecondary intentions survey every year starting in 9th grade.
 - Offers the chance to watch the trajectory of students' aspirations and plans
 - Can triage appropriate supports to students based on their aspirations, academic profile, and more
- Advantage: doesn't rely on outside data sources. Disadvantage: unreliable.



STUDENT SURVEYS: RESOURCES

- College Advising Corps Senior Exit Survey Guide
- 4 for the Fall: A Blueprint for Supporting the High School Class of 2021 (see survey data section)

Sample surveys/items:

- Broward County Public Schools
- I Know I Can (Columbus, OH)
- College Now Greater Cleveland
- College Advising Corps Data Collection Tool

"MAKING PROGRESS ONE-BY-ONE": DIRECT RELATIONSHIPS W/ INSTITUTIONS

PROS:

- Helps build relationships with institutions
- Once MOU/DSA is established, should be easy to get data
- Low-cost

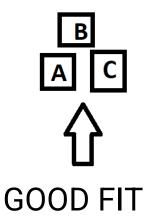
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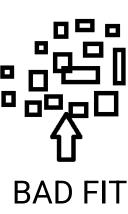
- Ugh, who likes legalese?
- Incomplete picture of whole graduating class
- Doesn't scale well



DIRECT RELATIONSHIPS WITH INSTITUTIONS

- Set up relationships directly where you have the largest pipeline
- Start with the registrar's office, but admissions may be a good champion
- The shape of your matriculation pattern/pipeline matters a lot here e.g.,





Resources:

- How to Set Up Data-Sharing Agreements with Partners
- Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

"LUCK OF THE DRAW": STATE DATA PORTALS

PROS:

- Usually free
- State data staff often available for research requests
- Aligned with state accountability models
- "When they're good, they're great"

CONS:

- Vary widely in functionality from state to state
- Sometimes only school-level data available, inflexible
- Often omit enrollments to private institutions
- Data lags
- Navigating state education agency websites often unintuitive



STATE DATA PORTALS

- States increasingly have data portals (see also: "state longitudinal data systems" or "SLDS") that include postsecondary outcomes data
- The quality, usability, and contents of these vary pretty widely
- On the public-facing side, usually consists of a menu of reports, interactive tables and dashboards, etc. available at the district and school levels, which makes for easy benchmarking/comparison to other districts and schools
- Some, but not all, SLDS have user logins for viewing student-level data



LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT FLORIDA: <u>EDUDATA.FLDOE.ORG</u>

Know Your Schools Find and Compare Florida Public

Schools Search by Zip Code, School, or City







ege Entrance Exams

Postsecondary Continuation Rate

School Report Cards

Postsecondary Continuation Rate

Postsecondary enrollment rates provide information about students who graduate with a standard high school diploma (graduation cohort) and who then enroll in postsecondary education within the first academic year following their high school graduation.

Students who enroll in both Florida public and Florida private postsecondary education within the specified timeframe are represented only once in any Florida postsecondary enrollment.

General Information and Data Notes ∨

Postsecondary Continuation Chart Creation ➤

Postsecondary Continuation Data Table Creation ➤



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Postsecondary Continuation Data Table Creation ➤

Instructions: Use the selectors to create a data table that shows postsecondary continuation by subgroup.

Data Masking: Data are suppressed when the total number of students within a subgroup (across all categories) is less than 10 and is noted by an asterisk (*).

Graduation Year

2018-19

Metric

Percentage

View Data

2018-19 Florida Postsecondary **Enrollment**

Export Options:

Сору Excel

Category	Florida Graduates Who Enrolled in Any Florida Higher Education
Total	
Total Students	61.2%
Subgroups	
Economically Disadvantaged	60.0%
English Language Learners	33.3%
Students with Disabilities	36.4%
Race	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	*
Asian	75.0%
Black/African American	64.8%



FLORIDA EDUCATION & TRAINING PLACEMENT INFORMATION PROGRAM (FETPIP)

• "FETPIP is a data collection and consumer reporting system...to provide follow-up data on former students and program participants who have graduated, exited or completed a public education or training program within the State of Florida."

High School Reports

2018-19

- Annual Report by District and School (PDF)
- Annual Report by District (PDF)
- <u>Statewide High School Report by Gender and Race</u> (PDF)
- <u>High School Report by District, Gender and Race</u> (PDF)
- <u>High School Graduates by District</u> (PDF)
- <u>High School Graduates Statewide</u> (PDF)



FLORIDA EDUCATION & TRAINING PLACEMENT INFORMATION PROGRAM (FETPIP)

TOTAL WITH OUTCOME DATA	374	83%									
FLORIDA CONTINUING EDUCATION DATA											
TOTAL CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION (Unduplicated)	269	60%									
IN DISTRICT POSTSECONDARY		****									
IN FLORIDA COLLEGE SYSTEM	139	52%									
AA Program	50	36%									
AS Program	****	****									
AAS Program	****	****									
Adult Vocational Certificate	-	****									
Vocational Credit Certificate	-	****									
Bachelor Program	-	****									
Other	79	57%									
IN STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM	120	45%									
IN PRIVATE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	18	7%									
Students may be in multiple settings; therefore, sum of detail may exceed total unduplicated count.											
TOTAL CONTINUING EDUCATION/FOUND EMPLOYED	150	56%									
TOTAL CONTINUING EDUCATION/NOT FOUND EMPLOYED	119	44%									

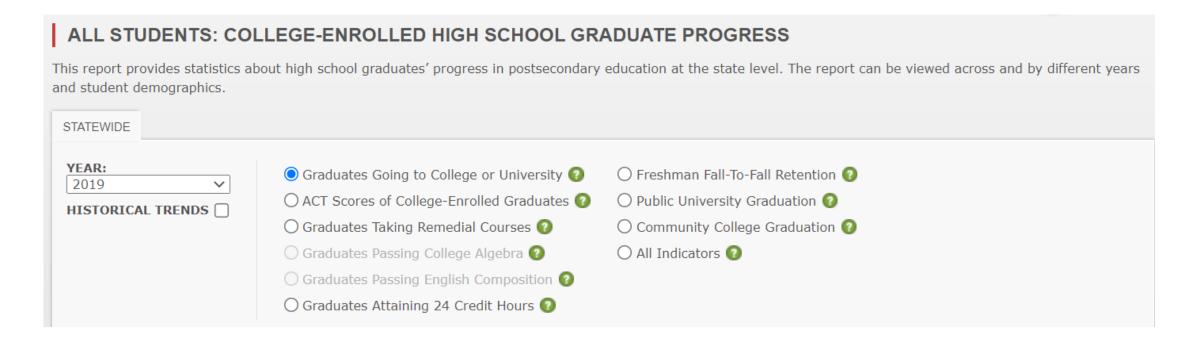


This is available by district and by high school



EXPLORING ELSEWHERE: MISSISSIPPI

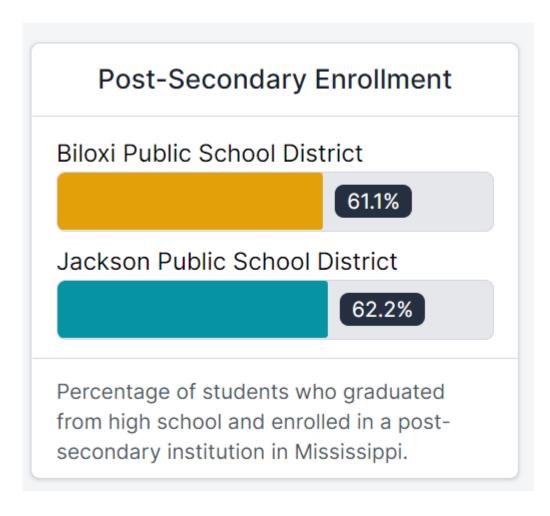
• <u>LifeTracks.MS.gov</u>





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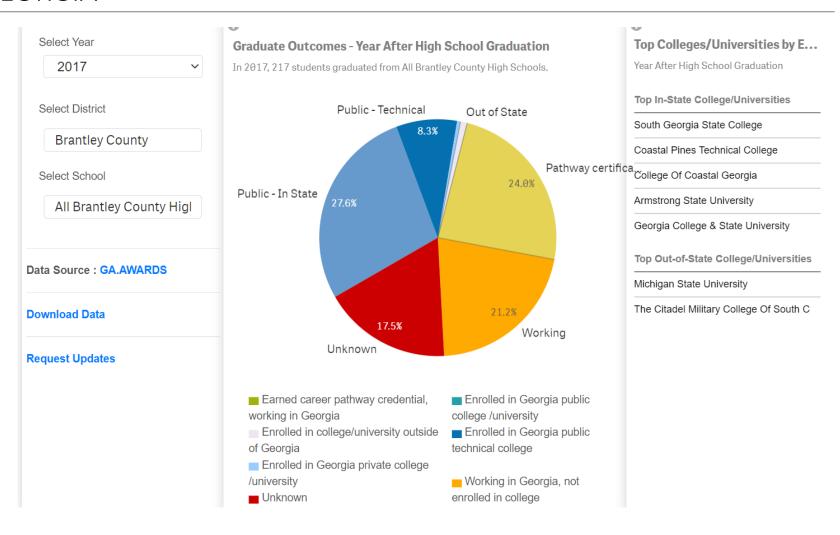
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EXPLORING ELSEWHERE: GEORGIA

Governor's Office of Student Achievement



WAIT...

THERE'S GOT TO BE A CATCH, RIGHT?

NONE OF THESE OPTIONS SEEMS ALL THAT GREAT?

"THE LEARNING CURVE PAYS OFF": NSC STUDENT TRACKER

PROS:

- Most comprehensive college enrollment data available
- Timely, flexible, longitudinal
- Affordable for the quality of the data
- Comes with a packet of pre-constructed reports
- Version 3.0 forthcoming will be much more user-friendly

CONS:

- More expensive than the other options discussed here (\$595/high school/year)
- Steep learning curve
- Not really "plug and play"

DO YOU CURRENTLY HAVE ACCESS TO NSC DATA?

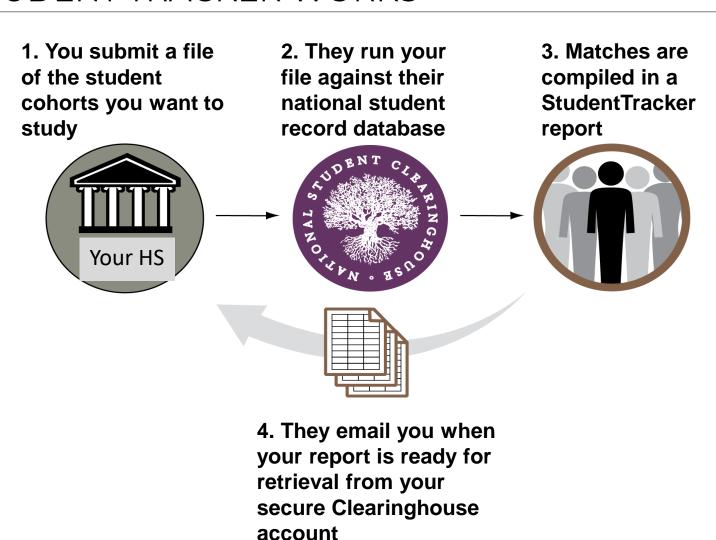


WHAT IS THE NATIONAL STUDENT CLEARINGHOUSE?

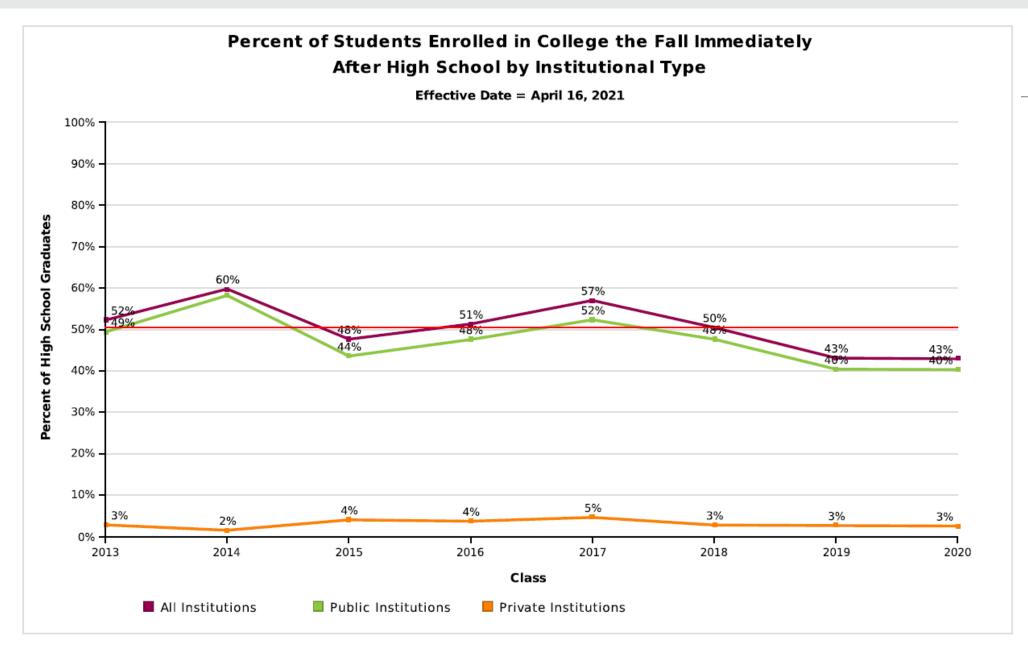
- 501(c)6 serving 3,600+ colleges and universities that enroll over 98% of all students in public and private U.S. institutions.
- Collects enrollment and completion data for students from all of these postsecondary institutions.
- Offers the StudentTracker service, which allows high schools and education outreach organizations to obtain data about students' postsecondary outcomes.
- StudentTracker for High School is a vital tool:
 - Set baselines for enrollment, persistence, and completion
 - Measure changes to these outcomes
 - Provides national benchmarks against which we can compare our outcomes



HOW STUDENT TRACKER WORKS

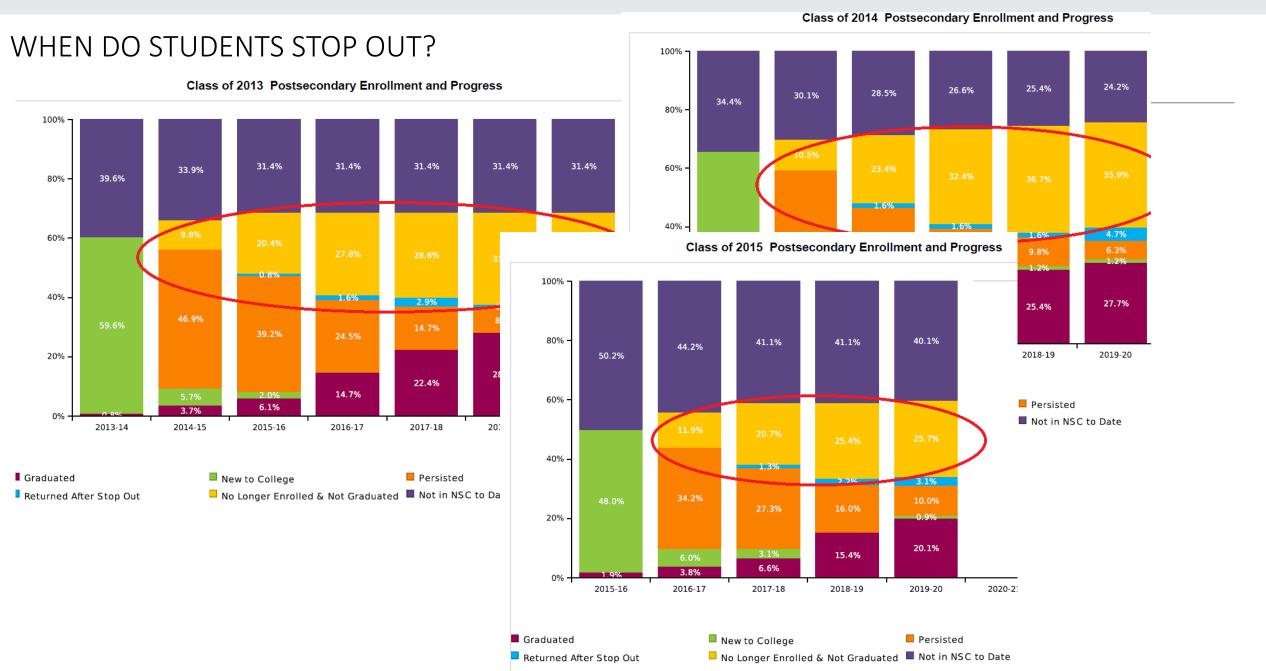






FIRST
FALL ENROLLMENT
OUTCOMES







AGGREGATE REPORT – INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED

Most Common Institutions of Enrollment in the Fall Immediately following High School Graduation for All Classes by Number of Students

Name	Rank	State	Level	Туре	Total
PIMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1	AZ	2-year	Public	453
UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA	2	AZ	4-year	Public	276
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY	3	AZ	4-year	Public	86
COCHISE COLLEGE - SANTA CRUZ CENTER	4	AZ	2-year	Public	80
COCHISE COLLEGE- DOUGLAS	5	AZ	2-year	Public	48
NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY	6	AZ	4-year	Public	36
GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY-TRADITIONAL	7	AZ	4-year	Private	24
CARRINGTON COLLEGE-TUCSON	8	AZ	2-year	Private	16
MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	9	AZ	2-year	Public	10
EASTERN ARIZONA COLLEGE	10	AZ	2-year	Public	9
GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	11	AZ	2-year	Public	9
CHANDLER/GILBERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	12	AZ	2-year	Public	8
CENTRAL ARIZONA COLLEGE	13	AZ	2-year	Public	6
PARADISE VALLEY COMMUNITY	14	AZ	2-year	Public	6
COCHISE COLLEGE	15	AZ	2-year	Public	5
ARIZONA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY	16	AZ	4-year	Private	4
PHOENIX COLLEGE	17	AZ	2-year	Public	4
PIMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	18	AZ	2-year	Public	4
SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	19	AZ	2-year	Public	4
ART INSTITUTE OF PHOENIX-AI OF TUCSON	20	AZ	4-year	Private	3
COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE	21	AZ	2-year	Public	3
ESTRELLA MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	22	AZ	2-year	Public	3
YAVAPAI COLLEGE	23	AZ	2-year	Public	3
BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY	24	IL	4-year	Private	2
CERRITOS COLLEGE	25	CA	2-year	Public	2



NSC STUDENT TRACKER DETAIL REPORT

• Looks like this:

YOUR UNIQUE ID	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE	LAST NAME	SUFFIX	REQUESTER RETURN FIELD	RECORD FOUND	HS CODE	HS GRAD DATE	COLLEGE	COLLEGE NAME	COLLEGE STATE	2/4 YEAR	PUBLIC/ PRIVATE	Period of E	nrollment	ENROLL STATUS	GRAD Y/N	GRAD DATE	DEGREE	MAJOR	COLLEGE	PROGRAM CODE
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This one is more complicated. It contains a row for every enrollment for every student. This can make it tough to work with, but the payoff is worth it!

Guide on reading the report is here: http://studentclearinghouse.info/onestop/wp-content/uploads/STHS DetailReportGuide.pdf

PARTING THOUGHTS

- Rome wasn't built in a day. Collecting some data and building from there is better than not collecting any data.
- There will always be more questions to answer.
 That doesn't invalidate the questions you can answer.
- This deck isn't a sales pitch for the NSC, but we think it is the most comprehensive look at classes, especially over time.
- NCAN will hopefully be doing some work with states about the best ways they can share postsecondary enrollment data, so stay tuned.

PARTING THOUGHTS

- Re: connecting data to changing postsecondary advising practice. That's a BIG topic, and I'm happy to come back to talk about it more.
- NCAN primarily supports the use of enrollment data to drive counseling/programming practices with an emphasis on fit and match advising.
 - Where have students gone?
 - How successful have they been there?
 - How have the above varied by student demographics?
 - How can patterns in past classes inform successful moves for future classes?

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? REACH OUT ANY TIME!



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Up next - webinar:

How Colleges Can Become More Welcoming to Undocumented Students

February 8th, 3-4 pm

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Conclusion