

2023–24 World’s Best Workforce (WBWF) Annual Summary Report

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Annual Report

WBWF Requirement: For each school year, the school board must publish a report in the local newspaper, by mail or by electronic means on the district website.

Provide the direct website link to the district’s WBWF annual report. If a link is not available, describe how the district disseminates the report to stakeholders:

<https://www.sowashco.org/academics/assessments-grading>

Annual Public Meeting

These annual public meetings were to be held in the fall of each school year. Report on this measure for the 2023–24 SY.

WBWF Requirement: School boards are to hold an annual public meeting to communicate plans for the upcoming school year based on a review of goals, outcomes and strategies from the previous year. Stakeholders should be meaningfully involved, and this meeting is to occur separately from a regularly scheduled school board meeting.

Provide the date of the school board annual public meeting to review progress on the WBWF plan for the 2023-24 SY: December 12, 2024

Goals and Results

All Students Ready for School

Does your district/charter enroll students in kindergarten? If no, you do not need to set a school readiness goal.

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>We will increase the percentage of 3-year-old early childhood screenings from 38.1% in 2022-23 to 40.1% in 2023-24.</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>In 2023-24, 47.2% of early childhood screenings were of 3-year-olds.</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>We will increase the percentage of Kindergarten students who are reading at grade level by the end of the school year on the IRLA/ENIL from 63.8% to 80.0% by 2024-25. The goal for 2023-24 is 71.8%.</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>In 2023-24, 72.4% of Kindergarten students were reading at grade level by the end of the year on the IRLA/ENIL.</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Repeat table for additional school readiness goals as appropriate.

Close the Achievement Gap(s) Between Student Groups

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>Mathematics: We will increase the percentage of all students meeting or exceeding state proficiency targets on state accountability measures in mathematics from 67.2% in the Spring of 2017 to 90% in the Spring of 2025, a total increase of 22.7% and an annual increase of 2.8%. The goal for 2023-24 is 87.2% proficiency rate among all students.</p> <p>By Spring 2025, 85% of students in each group will meet or exceed the proficiency benchmark. The 2023-24 goals by student groups are:</p> <p>Hispanic/Latino: 80.5% Asian: 83.8% Black or African American: 80.6% White: 83.2% Two or more races: 82.0% English Learner: 79.3% Special Education: 78.0% Free or reduced-priced meals: 79.9%</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>SoWashCo Schools’ math proficiency rate is 53.7% in the 2023-24 school year. Math proficiency rates by student groups are as follows:</p> <p>Hispanic/Latino: 33.3% Asian: 55.0% Black or African American: 37.6% White: 60.6% Two or more races: 45.8% English Learner: 17.9% Special Education: 28.5% Free or reduced-priced meals: 31.1%</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

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<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>Reading: We will increase the percentage of all students meeting or exceeding state proficiency targets on state accountability measures in reading from 69.7% in the Spring of 2017 to 90% in the Spring of 2025, a total increase of 20.3% and an annual increase of 2.5%. The goal for 2023-24 is 87.6% proficiency rate among all students. By Spring 2025, 85% of students in each group will meet or exceed the proficiency benchmark. The 2023-24 goals by student groups are:</p> <p>Hispanic/Latino: 81.0% Asian: 83.5% Black or African American: 80.9% White: 83.6% Two or more races: 82.3% English Learner: 78.2% Special Education: 78.1% Free or reduced-priced meals: 80.7%</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>SoWashCo Schools’ reading proficiency rate is 54.4% in the 2023-24 school year. Reading proficiency rates by student groups are as follows:</p> <p>Hispanic/Latino: 40.7% Asian: 52.8% Black or African American: 42.3% White: 59.3% Two or more races: 52.6% English Learner: 12.5% Special Education: 27.3% Free or reduced-priced meals: 36.3%</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Repeat table for additional achievement gap goals as appropriate.

All Students Career and College-Ready by Graduation

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>We will increase the percentage of students in SoWashCo who meet the ACT Reading College Ready Benchmark of 22 from 51% for the Class of 2021 to 63% for the Class of 2025, an annual increase of 3%. The goal for 2023-24 SY was 60%.</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>The percentage of students in the Class of 2024 who met the ACT Reading College Ready Benchmark of 22 was 46%.</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Repeat table for additional career and college readiness goals as appropriate.

All Students Graduate

Does your district/charter enroll students in grade 12? If no, you do not need to set a graduation goal.

Goal	Result	Goal Status
<p>Provide the established SMART goal for the 2023–24 SY.</p> <p>We will increase the percentage of all students graduating from high school within four years of starting from 92.4% for the Class of 2017 to 95% for the Class of 2025, a total increase of 2.6% and an annual increase of .325%, with all student groups at or above 95% for the Class of 2025. For the Class of 2023, the goal was 93.95%.</p>	<p>Provide the result for the 2023–24 SY that directly ties back to the established goal.</p> <p>The most recent high school graduation data available is for the class of 2023, in which there was a four-year graduation rate of 91.8%.</p>	<p>Check one of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not On Track (multi-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Met (one-year goal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Goal Not Met (one-year goal)</p>

Repeat table for additional graduation goals as appropriate.