

GRADUATION/DROPOUT SUMMARY & REPORT VERIFICATION OVERVIEW

Class of 2024

Students may be included as 'graduated' in their respective four-year cohort if they complete graduation requirements by September 30 following their fourth year in high school. The data verification window for validating graduation rate and dropout rate calculations is October 1 to

October 31. This report contains a summary of the dropout and graduation data as well as trends, immediately following the close of the validation window. The most recent graduation rates are deemed 'official' in December or January, after results are shared with the Kansas State Board of Education.



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DEFINITIONS

Dropout

- A dropout is any student who enrolled in grades 7-12 that withdrew for an unacceptable reason in 2023-2024. This includes students who leave to pursue a GED. Students pursuing and/or earning a GED are still considered a dropout under the federal definition.
- Most dropouts will eventually count against graduation rate. Example: An 11th grade dropout in 2022-2023 counts against graduation rate for the class of 2024 cohort.
- Students labeled as dropouts in grade 7 or grade 8 will not count against a cohort graduation rate.
- Dropouts who later return to school and graduate will positively affect graduation rate. Dropouts who later enroll at some other accredited institution prior to their cohort graduation year are removed from the cohort calculation.

Graduate

- Graduates are students who graduated with a regular diploma with their four-year high school cohort.
- Students with disabilities who meet graduation requirements within four years and are continuing their education in Shawnee Mission beyond grade 12 are also included as graduates.
- Students have until September 30 to be included in their four-year cohort.

NonGraduate

- A NonGraduate is any student who did not graduate with regular diploma with their four-year cohort and either withdrew for an unacceptable reason or remains enrolled for more than four years.
- NonGraduates include students who may have been counted as a Dropout in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12 in the last four years. Dropouts are not the only students who are classified as NonGraduates.
- NonGraduates also include students who are still enrolled, but as 5th-year students as well as students.
- If a student moves within Kansas, the receiving school district must claim the student in KIDS for the sending school's withdrawal to be 'acceptable'. Otherwise, the student is classified as a NonGraduate.
- Students who moved to an unaccredited school or homeschooling, are incarcerated, or who are expelled are also labeled as a NonGraduate. This includes private/parochial schools in Kansas that are not accredited by the Kansas State Department of Education.

Graduation Rate

- Graduation rate is the number of Graduates (completed with their 4-year cohort) divided by the sum of Graduates and NonGraduates.
- There is also a five-year graduation rate calculation.

Unresolved Exits

- Students who were enrolled in Shawnee Mission in 2023-2024 but not claimed in KIDS for 2024-2025 are considered "Unresolved Exits."
- Unresolved Exits in grades 7-12 are automatically treated as Dropout unless they are otherwise corrected with an 'acceptable' exit code.

Data Corrections

- Data errors are resolved by uploading updated exit records to KSDE/KIDS (for newer records) or by submitting an appeal through the KSDE/DGSR application (for prior years' records).

Dropout and Graduate Overview

	Dropouts & Unresolved Exits	Graduate	NonGraduate	Total	Graduation Rate
SM District ID					
Westridge	2				
Hocker Grove					
Indian Hills	1				
Indian Woods					
Trailridge					
SM East	7	353	23	376	93.9%
SM North	48	351	72	423	83.0%
SM Northwest	31	387	56	443	87.4%
SM South	24	379	35	414	91.5%
SM West	44	380	49	429	88.6%
Total	157	1850	235	2085	88.7%

- Dropout/unresolved exits at the middle school level are usually due to families leaving during the summer between middle school and high school who do not notify the school by way of records request to a receiving school, nor any other type of notification. This can also occur if the student transfers to unaccredited homeschooling.
- Dropout status from grades 7 or 8 does not affect graduation rates. Dropouts at the high school level will eventually also count against their cohort graduation rate unless the student re-enrolls at an accredited school prior to the end of their 4 -year window.

Graduation Rate Trends (Four-Year Cohort Rate)

Class of ...	Kansas	District	SME	SMN	SMNW	SMS	SMW
2014	86.1	91.5	96.7	86.3	93.2	88.9	91.0
2015	85.7	88.6	94.8	84.4	88.4	87.6	87.5
2016	86.1	88.5	96.0	84.3	90.9	89.2	82.8
2017	86.9	89.5	94.7	83.3	91.5	88.1	89.7
2018	87.5	89.9	96.0	84.1	90.4	90.2	88.0
2019	87.5	90.0	97.8	83.8	91.5	88.3	87.0
2020	88.3	89.7	96.1	85.1	89.5	88.0	88.7
2021	88.1	88.5	96.7	82.0	82.6	92.4	88.4
2022	89.3	89.1	94.7	82.5	88.5	90.9	88.6
2023	88.1	87.4	94.1	83.1	84.6	92.0	83.7
2024	TBA	88.7	93.9	83.0	87.4	91.5	88.6

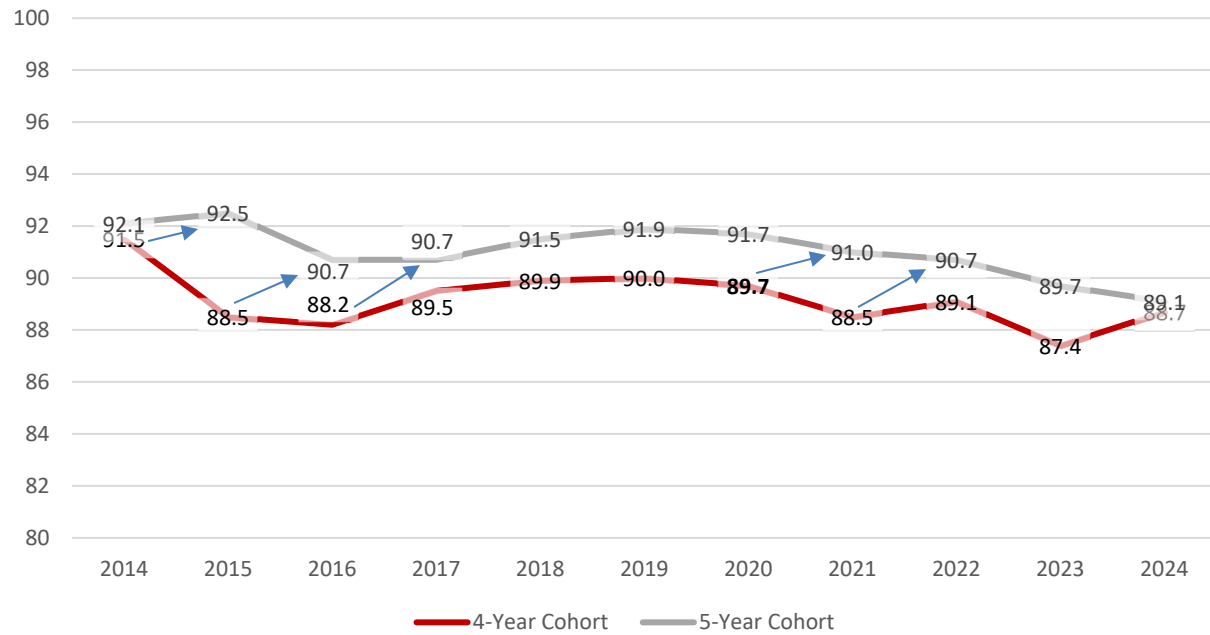
- The four-year cohort graduation rate does not grant positive credit for students currently enrolled as 5th-year students. With the class of 2024, 31 students are enrolled in a 5th year.

Graduation Rate Trends (Five-Year Cohort Rate)

Class of ...	Kansas	District	SME	SMN	SMNW	SMS	SMW
2014	86.9	92.1	96.4	88.9	93.3	90.4	92.2
2015	87.2	92.5	97.0	88.0	93.6	91.0	92.1
2016	86.9	90.7	96.3	85.8	91.3	91.3	89.0
2017	87.3	90.7	96.5	86.7	93.5	91.5	85.6
2018	88.0	91.5	95.5	87.3	93.0	90.3	91.4
2019	88.5	91.9	96.7	87.4	91.3	92.7	90.7
2020	88.6	91.7	98.1	86.1	92.1	91.0	90.2
2021	89.3	91.0	96.8	87.8	91.4	88.3	90.2
2022	89.8	90.7	97.3	86.1	86.6	93.0	90.1
2023	89.1	89.7	94.7	83.5	89.1	92.1	89.1
2024	TBA	89.1	95.0	85.5	86.7	93.0	85.5

- The five-year cohort rate is typically 1-2% higher than the prior year's four-year rate. The difference is attributed to the number of students who stay enrolled and finish as a 5th-year student.

Graduation Rate Trends: Four-Year and Five-Year Cohort Rates



Four-Year Adjusted Cohort Summary by Class

	Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Graduates	1802	1814	1826	1764	1850
Year 4 Non-Graduates	79	139	99	111	95
Year 3 Non-Graduates	76	47	82	91	68
Year 2 Non-Graduates	39	33	28	43	43
Year 1 Non-Graduates	14	17	14	9	29
Total	2010	2050	2049	2018	2085
Graduation Rate	89.7%	88.5%	89.1%	87.4%	88.7%

- The largest number of non-graduate exits occur during the fourth year of a student's high school term.

Dropouts History

Grade Level	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
7	1	3	6	5	7	1
8	13	1	1	4	5	2
9	23	26	30	26	14	8
10	46	32	48	57	47	28
11	61	43	61	67	49	55
12	41	20	62	56	84	63
Total	185 (171)	125 (121)	208 (201)	215 (206)	206 (194)	157 (154)

- Students identified as dropouts in grades 9-12 will also count as NonGraduates in the four-year and five-year cohort graduation rates. High school totals are in parentheses.

Exit Scenarios for Administrators and Office Staff

The Withdrawal date needs to be the last date the student was physically present for a class.

- This includes students who have been absent for more than two weeks.
- For students who received off campus services, withdrawal date needs to be the last date that the student met with a teacher.

No-Shows

- If a student enrolls, but never attends, exit as of the entry date with code 18 (claimed in error).
- Notify the prior sending school. The sending school needs to have an opportunity to update the withdrawal record on their end.
- Contact the families and document the communication. If the student has enrolled elsewhere, seek out proof of enrollment.

When students enroll during the school year, the Entry date needs to be the first date of ATTENDANCE.

- For future-year enrollments (i.e. enrolling in May, June, or July for next year), a summer entry date such as July 15 is permissible.

Withdrawal Codes

- Withdrawal codes that identify students as dropouts include 17-Unkown, 19-GED, and 16-Moved within U.S. not known to be enrolled in school.
- Code 2 – Transferred to another school in Kansas will count against graduation rate if there is no receiving school claiming the student in KIDS after they leave us. For example, transfers to non-accredited private schools such as Hyman Brand or Barstow count against our graduation rate.
- Code 6 – Transfer to **home schooling** also counts against us. If the student enrolls in an *accredited* virtual school (example: Lawrence Virtual School), then use Code 2. Accredited out of state virtual school programs may also warrant a different exit code.
- When records request is received, update the exit code and add to the comment area the school district, state, and date of records request. Keep the records request documents in a file for five years.
- For students who **leave the country**, use 21-moved to another country. Document the evidence (does not need to be a records request) and enter note in the Skyward withdrawal comment box.
- Student with IEP who is 'graduating' but going into the 18-21 post-high program? – use **Code 22**.

Special Circumstances?

- Contact Dan Gruman if you have questions on enrollment/withdrawal dates or exit codes.
- Do not leave students perpetually enrolled if they are not receiving educational services from the Shawnee Mission School District.

Graduation Rates by Student Group

District

Student Group	Class of ... (% Graduated and size of cohort)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All	89.9% (2,089)	90.0% (2,121)	89.7% (2,010)	88.5% (2,050)	89.1% (2,049)	87.4% (2,018)	88.7% (2,085)
Hispanic	84.2% (349)	83.6% (390)	83.6% (371)	80.8% (380)	83.7% (416)	78.1% (420)	81.7% (458)
White	91.8% (1,419)	92.0% (1,383)	91.5% (1,305)	90.5% (1,300)	91.2% (1,289)	90.1% (1,,262)	92.2% (1258)
Haw/Pac. Is.	NA (5)	NA (1)	NA (3)	NA (2)	NA (2)	NA (3)	NA (2)
Black	84.5% (168)	90.4% (178)	85.1% (174)	90.5% (200)	87.6% (170)	91.0% (166)	83.3% (186)
Am. Ind.	NA (4)	NA (5)	NA (1)	NA (8)	NA (3)	NA (4)	NA (5)
Asian	93.4% (61)	98.4% (62)	98.3% (58)	98.0% (51)	87.8% (49)	85.9% (64)	96.2% (53)
Multi	88.0% (83)	80.4% (102)	91.8% (98)	83.5% (109)	89.2% (120)	86.9% (99)	84.6% (123)
Free/Reduced	79.3% (729)	82.1% (811)	81.0% (726)	79.2% (732)	81.0% (684)	80.4% (872)	81.8% (963)
SPED	83.0% (182)	76.2% (193)	84.7% (157)	82.8% (169)	84.7% (163)	80.3% (173)	81.7% (175)
ELL	79.7% (202)	82.8% (232)	83.0% (206)	76.3% (198)	80.8% (203)	71.8% (227)	78.1% (187)

Dropout/Graduation Summary Report Verification Overview

SM East

Student Group	Class of ... (% Graduated and size of cohort)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All	96.0% (451)	97.8% (462)	96.1% (435)	96.7% (453)	94.7% (418)	94.1% (439)	93.9% (376)
Hispanic	88.9% (36)	90.9% (22)	84.8% (33)	93.5% (31)	96.6% (29)	97.4% (38)	82.8% (29)
White	96.9% (385)	98.2% (392)	96.7% (365)	97.6% (377)	95.2% (352)	93.3% (356)	94.7% (321)
Haw/Pac. Is.	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (0)
Black	NA (6)	NA (10)	NA (8)	84.6% (13)	NA (4)	NA (6)	NA (3)
Am. Ind.	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (2)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (0)
Asian	NA (9)	100.0% (14)	100.0% (12)	NA (4)	NA (9)	100.0% (15)	NA (7)
Multi	92.9% (14)	95.5% (22)	100.0% (16)	92.0% (25)	91.7% (24)	100.0% (22)	93.8% (16)
Free/Reduced	85.5% (62)	94.8% (58)	79.1% (43)	88.9% (45)	91.9% (37)	81.8% (77)	78.7% (61)
SPED	100.0% (27)	96.2% (26)	95.2% (21)	90.0% (20)	84.6% (26)	85.3% (34)	95.5% (22)
ELL	91.7% (12)	NA (6)	81.8% (11)	NA (4)	100.0% (13)	100.0% (11)	NA (5)



Dropout/Graduation Summary Report Verification Overview

SM North

Student Group	Class of ... (% Graduated and size of cohort)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All	84.1% (377)	83.8% (390)	85.1% (377)	82.0% (399)	82.5% (378)	83.1% (413)	83.0% (423)
Hispanic	86.0% (100)	85.0% (107)	79.6% (98)	79.3% (116)	78.5% (107)	77.8% (117)	79.1% (139)
White	83.1% (219)	83.0% (224)	86.3% (219)	82.5% (211)	82.0% (211)	85.0% (226)	87.9% (207)
Haw/Pac. Is.	NA (3)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (0)
Black	79.2% (24)	95.7% (23)	93.8% (32)	94.6% (37)	92.6% (27)	88.2% (34)	79.5% (39)
Am. Ind.	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (3)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (2)
Asian	78.6% (14)	100.0% (11)	NA (6)	NA (9)	NA (6)	84.6% (13)	NA (7)
Multi	94.1% (17)	66.7% (24)	85.7% (21)	69.6% (23)	92.0% (25)	81.8% (22)	72.4% (29)
Free/Reduced	75.1% (197)	80.3% (208)	78.7% (207)	77.6% (228)	77.0% (196)	79.3% (242)	79.6% (274)
SPED	78.9% (38)	65.3% (49)	83.9% (31)	74.0% (50)	82.5% (40)	69.4% (49)	81.0% (42)
ELL	75.4% (57)	82.7% (52)	75.0% (48)	71.7% (46)	74.1% (54)	80.4% (51)	72.3% (47)

Dropout/Graduation Summary Report Verification Overview

SM Northwest

Student Group	Class of ... (% Graduated and size of cohort)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All	90.4% (437)	91.5% (446)	89.5% (408)	82.6% (413)	88.5% (460)	84.6% (423)	87.4% (443)
Hispanic	84.0% (75)	83.0% (88)	83.1% (77)	57.6% (66)	82.4% (91)	76.0% (96)	78.3% (92)
White	93.9% (278)	93.2% (279)	91.9% (260)	85.1% (249)	92.1% (266)	86.4% (243)	91.7% (253)
Haw/Pac. Is.	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (1)
Black	80.4% (46)	95.6% (45)	86.1% (36)	91.5% (59)	85.2% (54)	94.0% (50)	82.7% (52)
Am. Ind.	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (2)	NA (2)	NA (1)	NA (0)
Asian	100.0% (13)	94.4% (18)	94.1% (17)	100.0% (15)	93.3% (15)	73.7% (19)	100.0% (12)
Multi	82.6% (23)	93.3% (15)	82.4% (17)	90.9% (22)	78.1% (32)	92.3% (13)	81.8% (33)
Free/Reduced	81.3% (134)	83.8% (154)	81.3% (139)	69.4% (157)	79.0% (157)	77.2% (193)	79.5% (219)
SPED	76.7% (43)	79.1% (43)	87.2% (39)	70.7% (41)	81.6% (38)	80.6% (36)	78.7% (47)
ELL	76.3% (38)	81.1% (53)	81.8% (44)	57.8% (45)	80.4% (46)	63.3% (60)	80.4% (46)



Dropout/Graduation Summary Report Verification Overview

SM South

Student Group	Class of ... (% Graduated and size of cohort)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All	90.2% (358)	88.3% (383)	88.0% (393)	92.4% (353)	90.9% (364)	92.0% (338)	91.5% (414)
Hispanic	87.5% (56)	85.7% (70)	87.8% (74)	91.5% (59)	84.2% (76)	83.1% (59)	85.7% (77)
White	92.1% (252)	90.7% (247)	89.1% (248)	92.9% (241)	93.0% (244)	94.0% (234)	94.0% (268)
Haw/Pac. Is.	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)
Black	82.1% (28)	81.1% (37)	76.3% (38)	88.9% (27)	87.5% (24)	95.5% (22)	83.3% (36)
Am. Ind.	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)
Asian	100.0% (12)	100.0% (12)	100.0% (12)	100.0% (12)	NA (3)	NA (7)	93.3% (15)
Multi	NA (9)	68.8% (16)	90.5% (21)	84.6% (13)	94.1% (17)	93.8% (16)	94.4% (18)
Free/Reduced	78.4% (111)	79.7% (158)	79.0% (143)	86.3% (102)	85.4% (103)	90.0% (120)	86.9% (176)
SPED	81.3% (32)	80.6% (36)	77.4% (31)	100.0% (24)	88.9% (18)	83.3% (24)	88.5% (26)
ELL	81.8% (33)	90.2% (41)	94.4% (36)	94.4% (36)	82.4% (34)	75.0% (36)	77.4% (31)



Dropout/Graduation Summary Report Verification Overview

SM West

Student Group	Class of ... (% Graduated and size of cohort)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All	88.0% (466)	87.0% (440)	88.7% (397)	88.4% (432)	88.6% (429)	83.7% (405)	88.6% (429)
Hispanic	78.0% (82)	79.6% (103)	84.3% (89)	87.0% (108)	85.8% (113)	70.9% (110)	84.3% (121)
White	89.5% (285)	90.5% (241)	90.1% (213)	89.2% (222)	90.7% (216)	90.1% (203)	90.9% (209)
Haw/Pac. Is.	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (1)	NA (1)
Black	89.1% (64)	88.9% (63)	83.3% (60)	89.1% (64)	88.5% (61)	88.9% (54)	85.7% (56)
Am. Ind.	NA (2)	NA (1)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (0)	NA (1)	NA (3)
Asian	100.0% (13)	NA (7)	100.0% (11)	100.0% (11)	75.0% (16)	NA (10)	100.0% (12)
Multi	95.0% (20)	80.0% (25)	100.0% (23)	80.8% (26)	95.5% (22)	73.1% (26)	88.9% (27)
Free/Reduced	80.4% (225)	81.1% (233)	85.1% (194)	83.0% (200)	82.2% (191)	78.8% (240)	83.7% (233)
SPED	83.3% (42)	69.2% (39)	82.9% (35)	94.1% (34)	87.8% (41)	90.0% (30)	73.7% (38)
ELL	82.3% (62)	78.8% (80)	83.6% (67)	80.6% (67)	82.1% (56)	66.7% (69)	81.0% (58)