



DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT

Goal 1 Key Performance Outcome Graduation Rate SY 2017-18

About the Graduation Rate:

As documented in the District Accountability System's Reporting, Evaluating, & Monitoring Instrument (DAS-REMI), a Key Performance Outcome for Goal I is to increase the percentage of students graduating high school as measured by the 4 Year Cohort Graduation Rate. The 4 Year Cohort Graduation Rate formula computes the percentage of students who enter 9th grade during a given school year and earn a regular diploma within four years, adjusted for students who transfer in or out during the four year window. The cohort graduation rate is a key indicator used in state and federal accountability determinations, and is a culminating outcomes measure that directly reflects the purpose and mission of the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System.

The district target is to improve the district graduation rate from the SY 2016-17 baseline of 84.3% to 86.5% or higher by SY 2021-22. For SY 2017-18, the annual performance target was 84.8%. Performance relative to annual improvement targets is reported based on the standard accountability formula of a gain of at least 3% of the gap between the base score and 100%.

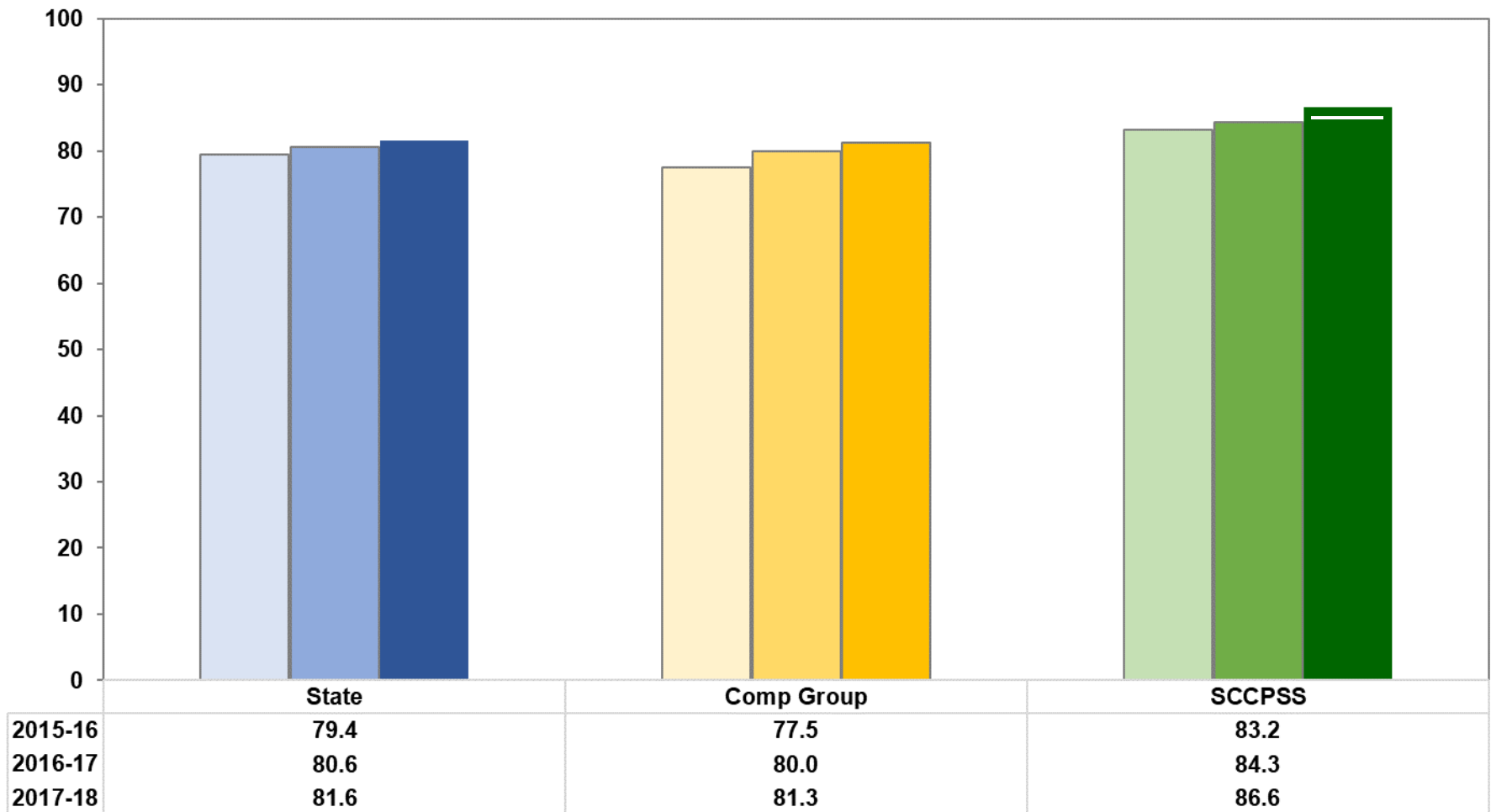
Key Points: SY 2017-18 Graduation Rate

- SCCPSS continued to improve its cohort graduation rate, achieving a rate of 86.6%. This exceeds the annual performance target and establishes a new record high for the district.
- Compared to last year, the graduation rate improved by more than two points. SY 2017-18 marks the fourth consecutive year of gains in the graduation rate.
- For the fourth consecutive year, the district exceeded the state's graduation rate.
- School graduation rates ranged from 76.5% to 100%.
- Early College, Jenkins, New Hampstead, Savannah Arts, Windsor Forest, and Woodville-Tompkins met or exceeded the district's 2022 graduation rate target of 86.5%, and Islands exceeded the district's 2018 annual target of 84.8%. Beach, Groves, Johnson, and the School of Liberal Studies at Savannah High were below the district targets.
- Beach, Islands, Johnson, and Savannah Arts declined by 1.8 to 4.6 points compared to last year, while Groves, Jenkins, New Hampstead, the School of Liberal Studies at Savannah High, and Windsor Forest exceeded their annual improvement targets, with one-year gains ranging from 2.2 to 10.9 points.
- Early College and Woodville-Tompkins maintained their 100% graduation rate.
- The number of non-graduates has continually declined over the past three years.



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Figure 1. State, Comparison Group, & SCCPSS 4 Year Cohort Graduation Rate



Note: Shading of color represents progression of years

2018 Performance Target

Comparison group includes Bibb, Clayton, Douglas, Henry, Muscogee, Richmond, and Atlanta Public Schools



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Figure 2. SCCPSS 4 Year Cohort Graduation Rate by Subgroup

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	1 Yr Chg	3 Yr Chg
SCCPSS	83.2	84.3	86.6	2.3	3.4
Asian	93.1	86.8	92.6	5.8	-0.5
Black	82.6	83.5	86.2	2.7	3.6
Hispanic	78.4	87.5	89.9	2.4	11.5
White	83.3	84.7	86.0	1.3	2.7
Multiracial	89.9	86.6	86.2	-0.4	-3.7
Female	88.5	89.3	91.4	2.1	2.9
Male	77.5	78.6	81.6	3.0	4.1
ED	79.6	79.9	82.7	2.8	3.1
EL	66.7	67.7	81.6	13.9	14.9
SWD	60.3	59.2	61.5	2.3	1.2

□ Increase



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Figure 3. SCCPSS 4 Year Cohort Graduation Rate by School

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18		1 Yr Chg	3 Yr Chg
	Grad Rate	Grad Rate	# of Grads	Grad Rate		
State	79.4	80.6	108,491	81.6	1.0	2.2
Comp Group	77.5	80.0	15,095	81.3	1.3	3.8
SCCPSS	83.2	84.3	1,939	86.6	2.3	3.4
Beach	84.9	84.9	206	80.8	-4.1	-4.1
Early College	100.0	100.0	36	100.0	0.0	0.0
Groves	71.6	73.0	124	76.5	3.5	4.9
Islands	88.1	88.1	202	86.3	-1.8	-1.8
Jenkins	83.5	75.6	231	86.5	10.9	3.0
Johnson	79.4	88.8	138	84.2	-4.6	4.8
New Hampstead	79.1	84.2	289	88.7	4.5	9.6
Savannah Arts	99.5	99.5	197	97.5	-2.0	-2.0
SLS at Sav. High	70.6	75.1	136	77.3	2.2	6.7
Windsor Forest	83.3	80.0	258	88.1	8.1	4.8
Woodville-Tompkins	99.0	100.0	122	100.0	0.0	1.0

At/above 2018 target
 At/above 2022 target
 Increase
 At/above annual improvement target
 Did not make progress
 School performed in Top Quartile

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Figure 4. Number of Students by Cohort Graduation Outcome

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Number of Students in Cohort	2,182	2,237	2,240
Number of Students Graduating with a Regular Diploma	1,815	1,886	1,939
Number of Non-Graduates	367	351	301
Certificate of Performance	*	10 (3%)	*
Special Education Diploma	*	*	*
Adult Education	55 (15%)	57 (16%)	62 (21%)
Unverifiable Transfer	38 (10%)	46 (13%)	26 (9%)
Other Dropout**	209 (57%)	161 (46%)	128 (43%)
Potential 5th Year Graduates	58 (16%)	75 (21%)	75 (25%)

NOTE: Percentages are based on the number of Non-Graduates

*Not reported; < 10 students

**Includes dropout reasons other than adult education: Marriage, Expelled, Financial Hardship/Job, Incarcerated, Low Grades/School Failure, Military, Pregnant/Parenting, Removed for Lack of Attendance, Serious Illness/Accident, & Unknown