

Authentic Stakeholder Engagement: A Key Component of the 2020-2025 State Performance Plan (SPP)/ Annual Performance Report (APR)



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Goals of the SPP/APR Feedback Session

- Sign in and Provide Your Role(s) [sign-in](#)
- Identify the key points of the SPP/APR.
- Review a process for SPP/APR development using Indicators grouped together in clusters.
- Review stakeholder requirements.
- Examine processes for target setting.
- Evaluate the trend data for the High School & Life Outcomes Cluster of Indicators of the SPP/APR requiring targets.
- Opportunity for Parent Mentors to assist in Stakeholder Input Sessions with participants from their local school system.
- Plan for feedback collection and finalizing targets.

What is the State Performance Plan (SPP)/ Annual Performance Report (APR)?

State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report

- Developed for a 6 Year Interval with a Measurement Table
- 17 Total Indicators -- Targets for Each Indicator
- Composed of Results and Compliance Indicators
- Results Indicator Targets -- such as Graduation Rate can be set by the State
- Compliance Indicator Targets -- such as Child Find (100%) are set by the federal Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)

What is the State Performance Plan (SPP)/ Annual Performance Report (APR)?

State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report

- Annual Performance Report Submitted Each Year
- Includes Trend Data for Each Year
- Developed with Input from SAP
- OSEP Reviews the State's SPP/APR
- States Receive a Determination (i.e., Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance) from OSEP

Data Reporting Year for SPP/APR Indicators

Most Indicators use data from the most recently completed full school year (SPP/APR due Feb. 2022 will be based upon SY 2020-2021):

- Indicator 3 (Assessment)
- Indicator 5 (School Age Settings)
- Indicator 6 (Early Childhood Settings)
- Indicator 7 (Preschool Outcomes)
- Indicator 8 (Parent Involvement)
- Indicator 9 & 10 (Disproportionate Representation)
- Indicator 11 (Child Find)
- Indicator 12 (Part C to B Transition)
- Indicator 13 (Secondary Transition with IEP Goals)
- Indicator 14 (Secondary Transition)
- Indicator 15 (Hearing Requests Resolved)
- Indicator 16 (Mediation Agreement)
- Indicator 17 (State Systemic Improvement Plan)

Data Reporting Year for SPP/APR Indicators

Three Indicators use lagging data from a year prior to the most recently completed full school year (SPP/APR due Feb. 2022 is based upon SY 2019-2020):

Indicator 1 (Graduation Rate)

Indicator 2 (Dropout Rate)

Indicator 4 (Disproportionate Suspension/Expulsion)

State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report

High School & Life Outcomes

- Graduation Rate-1
- Dropout Rate-2
- Post Secondary Transition- 13
- Post School Outcomes-14
- State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP)-17

Facilitators: Ann Cross, Wina Lowe

Disproportionality

- Significant Discrepancy-4
- Disproportionate Representation (All Disabilities)- 9
- Disproportionate Representation (Specific Disabilities)-10

Facilitators: Felicia Peavy, Vickie Cleveland, Linda Castellanos

Environment & Timelines

- School Age Environments-5
- Early Childhood Environments-6
- Child Find/Initial Evaluation-11
- Part C to B Transition-12

Facilitators: Amber McCollum, Phoebe Atkins

Preschool, Parent Involvement & Legal

- Preschool Outcomes-7
- Parent Involvement/Survey-8
- Resolution Sessions-15
- Mediation-16

Facilitators: Jamila Pollard, Kachelle White, Scott Smith

Assessment

- Assessment-3

Facilitators: Lynn Holland, Karen Suddeth, Carson Cochran

Collaborative Process for SPP/APR Development

- **SPP/APR 2020-2025 Process**

- **February 2021**, Development of an Excel Template of SPP/APR 2020-2025 Requirements and Data with Targeted Questions for all Indicators by Part B Data Managers shared with Zephine Smith-Dixon and Kachelle White
- **May 6, 2021**, SAP meeting - members chose an Indicator Cluster for which to provide feedback and set targets
- **June 2, 2021**, Meeting with Part B Data Managers, Zephine Smith-Dixon and Kachelle White regarding SPP/APR 2020-2025
- **August 4, 2021**, Georgia Learning Resource Systems (GLRS) and District Liaisons (DLs) Presentation
- **August 10, 2021**, Department of Special Education Services and Supports (DSESS) Staff Presentation
- **August 11, 2021**, DSESS SPP/APR Group Facilitator share information
- **August 18, 2021**, SSIP (Indicators 1 & 2) Presentation

Collaborative Process for SPP/APR Development

- **September 2021- November 2021** - stakeholders provided with current data on Indicators and feedback gathered to provide advisement on the targets for the SPP/APR 2025
- **November 2021** - specific targets set for each Indicator for the SPP/APR 2020-2025
- **November 2021 (late)** - public access to the targets and opportunity for comment
- **December 2021** - updates provided to participating stakeholders of the targets established and any updated data provided
- **December 2021 (late)** - SPP/APR template published by OSEP and available for entry on EMAPS
- **December 2021-January 10, 2022** - Development of SPP Narrative and Editing with DSESS Program Managers, Part B Data Managers, and other relevant staff
- **January 15, 2022** - SPP/APR provided to the Director of DSESS for review and submission to OSEP by Feb. 1, 2022



Stakeholder Input

- i. *The number of parent members and a description of how the parent members of the State Advisory Panel, parent center staff, parents from local and statewide advocacy and advisory committees, and individual parents were engaged in setting targets, analyzing data, developing improvement strategies, and evaluating progress;*
- ii. *Description of the activities conducted to increase the capacity of diverse groups of parents to support the development of implementation of activities designed to improve outcomes for children with disabilities;*

Reference

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- iii. *The mechanisms and timelines for soliciting public input for target setting, analyzing data, developing improvement strategies, and evaluating progress; and*
- iv. *The mechanisms and timelines for making the results of the target setting, data analysis, development of the improvement strategies, and evaluation available to the public.*

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Setting Baselines & Targets

Setting Baselines & Targets - Impacted Indicators

Overview of the New SPP/APR Changes

SPP/APR changes	Ind. 1	Ind. 2	Ind. 3	Ind. 4	Ind. 5	Ind. 6	Ind. 7	Ind. 8	Ind. 9	Ind. 10	Ind. 11	Ind. 12	Ind. 13	Ind. 14	Ind. 15	Ind. 16	Ind. 17
No changes							x		x	x	x	x			x	x	
Minor changes / clarifications				x	x								x				x
Changes to response rate and representativeness								x						x			
Change to data source	x	x															
New components			x		x												

Indicators requiring a new baseline for the SPP/APR to be submitted in Feb. 2022 are circled in red. Indicators with new baselines in the SPP/APR submitted Feb 2021 are enclosed in a blue box

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Compliance & Results Indicators

- Compliance Indicators have a mandatory target that is set at 0% or 100%.
 - 4b, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13
- Results Indicators **require targets** that must show an increase over baseline, be rigorous, and set with the advice of stakeholders.
 - 1, 2, 3, 4a, 5, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, and 17

Setting Baselines & Targets

- When do you set new baselines and targets?
- Only when there is a new component added to an Indicator or
- Changes in the formula, method, or group being measured in the Indicator
- **Not** just because of a new SPP/APR package (i.e., SPP/APR 2020-2025) if there are no new components or measurement

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Setting Baselines & Targets

Why Would I Want to Change Baseline?

Impact of COVID-19 on data quality, completeness and accuracy

- The baseline data are not representative
- State or local programs have out-of-range data
- Data collection tools and/or methods changed
- Measurement requirements changed



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Setting Targets

What Are Some of the Methods for Calculating Targets?

- Eyeball method
- Trend lines
- Growth or change from year to year
- Increase by a set percent or percentage point every year
- Start with the end goal
- Statistical validation of targets



INDICATOR DATA - High School & Life Outcomes

SPP/APR INDICATOR 1

Indicator 1: Graduation

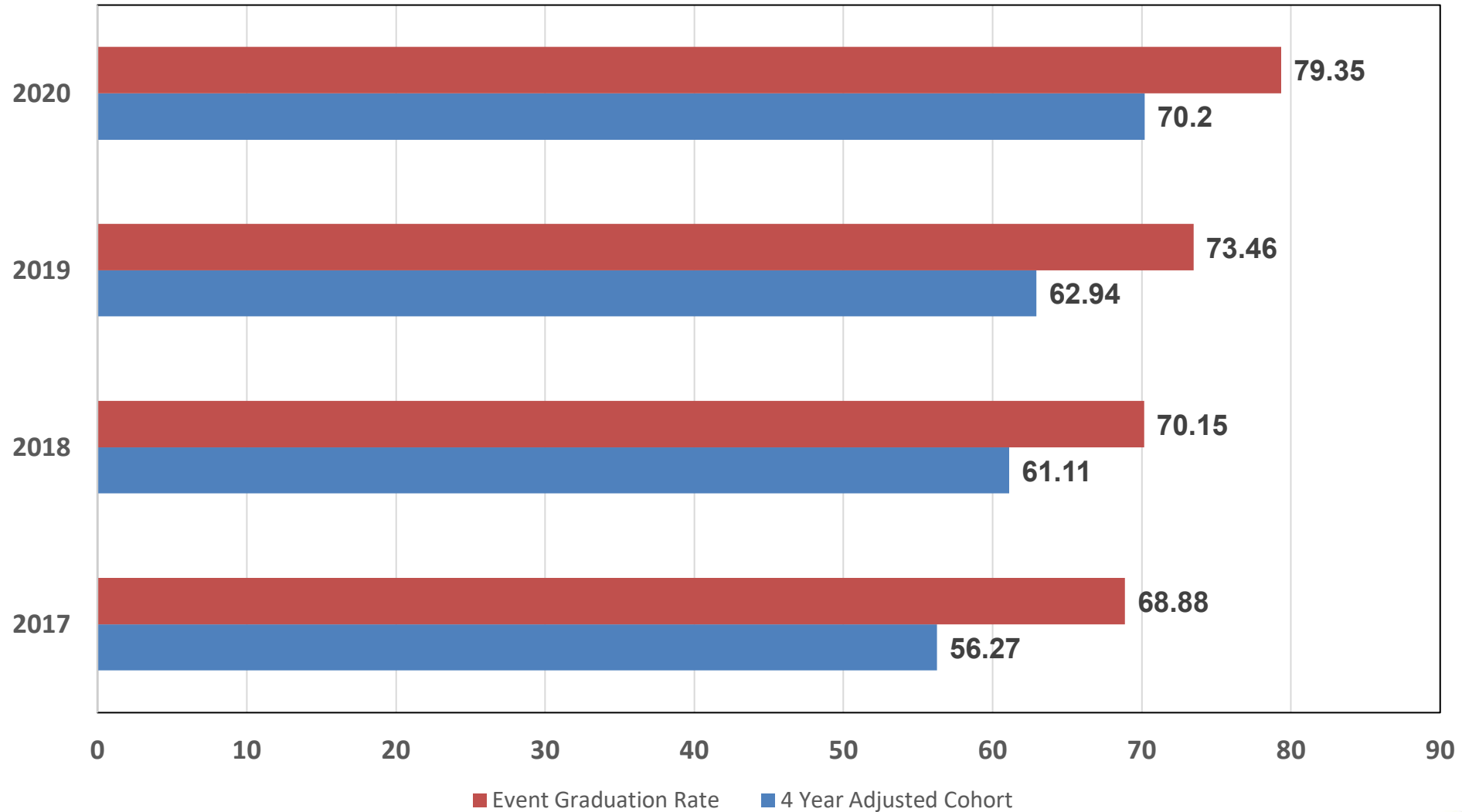
Percent of youth with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) graduating from high school with a regular high school diploma. (20 U.S.C. 1416 (a)(3)(A))

Current Calculation: Adjusted Cohort Rate - same as Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Updated Calculation: Report the Same Data used for Reporting under Section 618

**FS009 - Children with Disabilities Exiting Special Education
File Specifications**

Students with Disabilities Graduation Rate



SPP/APR INDICATOR 2

Indicator 2: Dropout

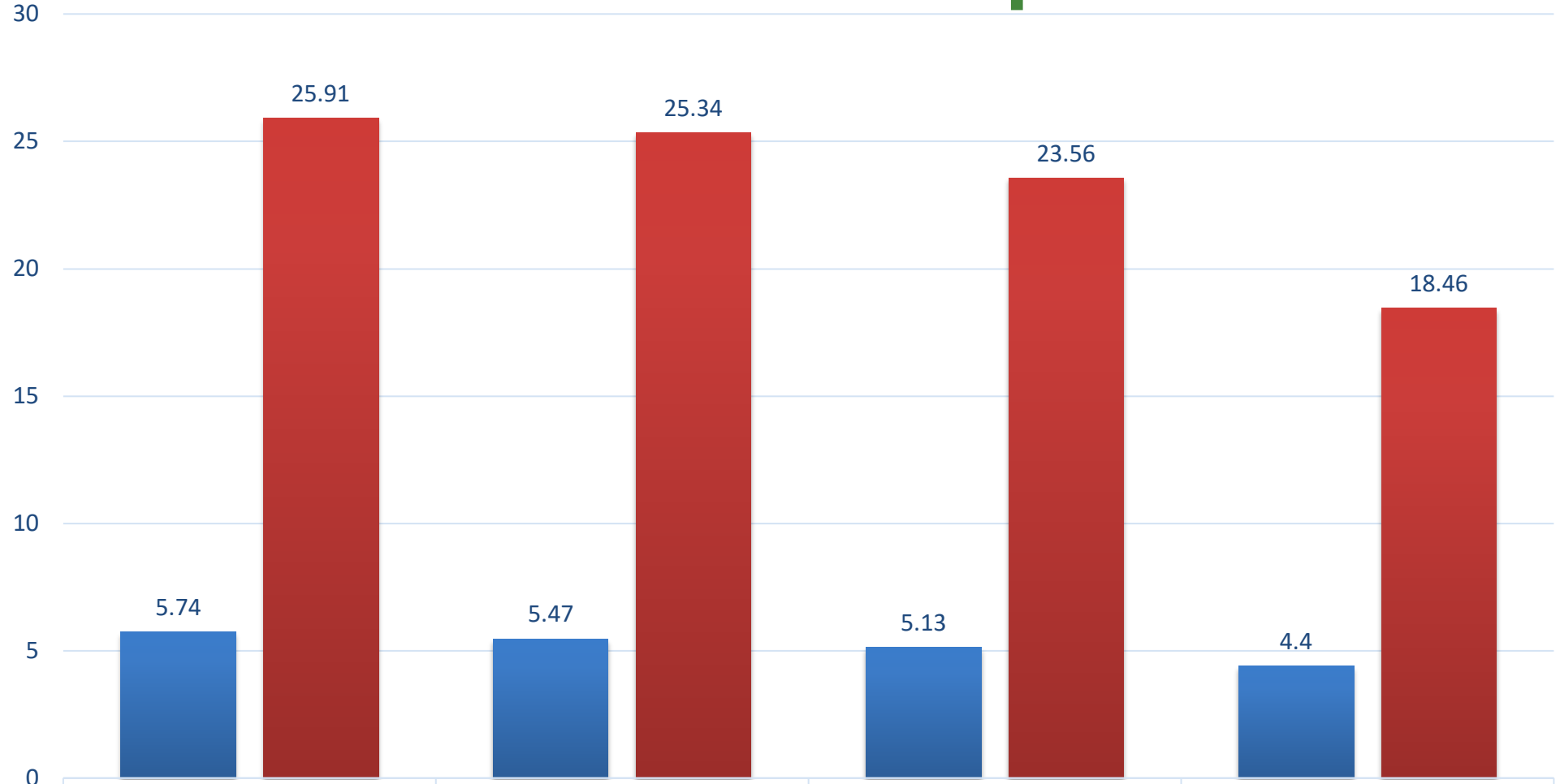
Percent of youth with IEPs dropping out of high school.
(20 U.S.C. 1416 (a)(3)(A))

Current Calculation: Use the annual event school dropout rate for students leaving a school in a single year determined in accordance with the National Center for Education Statistic's Common Core of Data

Updated Calculation: Report the Same Data used for Reporting under Section 618

FS009 - Children with Disabilities Exiting Special Education File Specifications

Students with Disabilities Dropout Rate



	2017	2018	2019	2020
■ Georgia Dropout Rate	5.74	5.47	5.13	4.4
■ New Exitters Dropout Rate	25.91	25.34	23.56	18.46

■ Georgia Dropout Rate ■ New Exitters Dropout Rate



SPP/APR INDICATOR 14

Indicator 14: Post-School Outcomes

Post-school outcomes: Percent of youth who are no longer in secondary school, had IEPs in effect at the time they left school, and were:

Enrolled in higher education within one year of leaving high school.

Enrolled in higher education or competitively employed within one year of leaving high school.

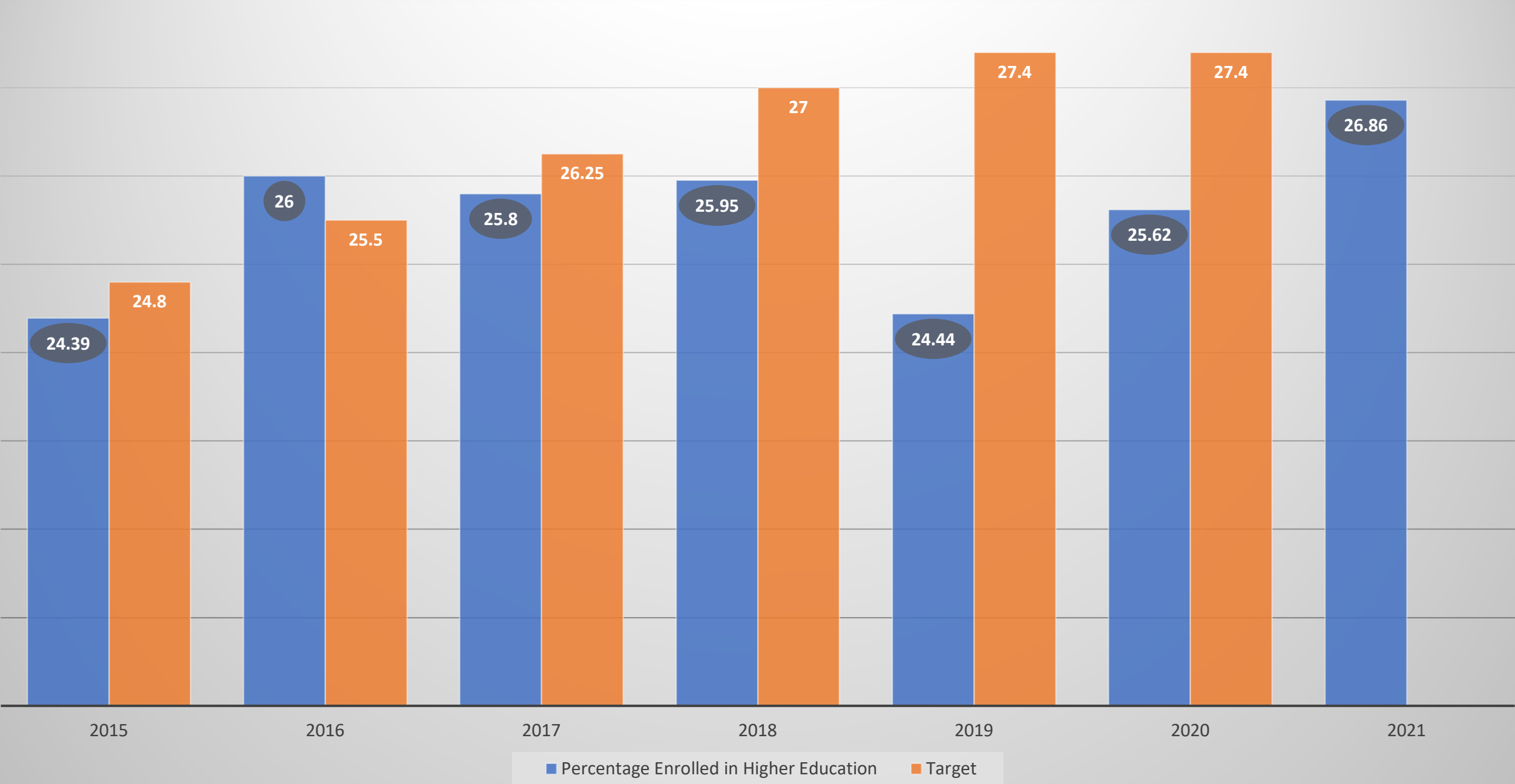
Enrolled in higher education or in some other postsecondary education or training program; or competitively employed or in some other employment within one year of leaving high school.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B))

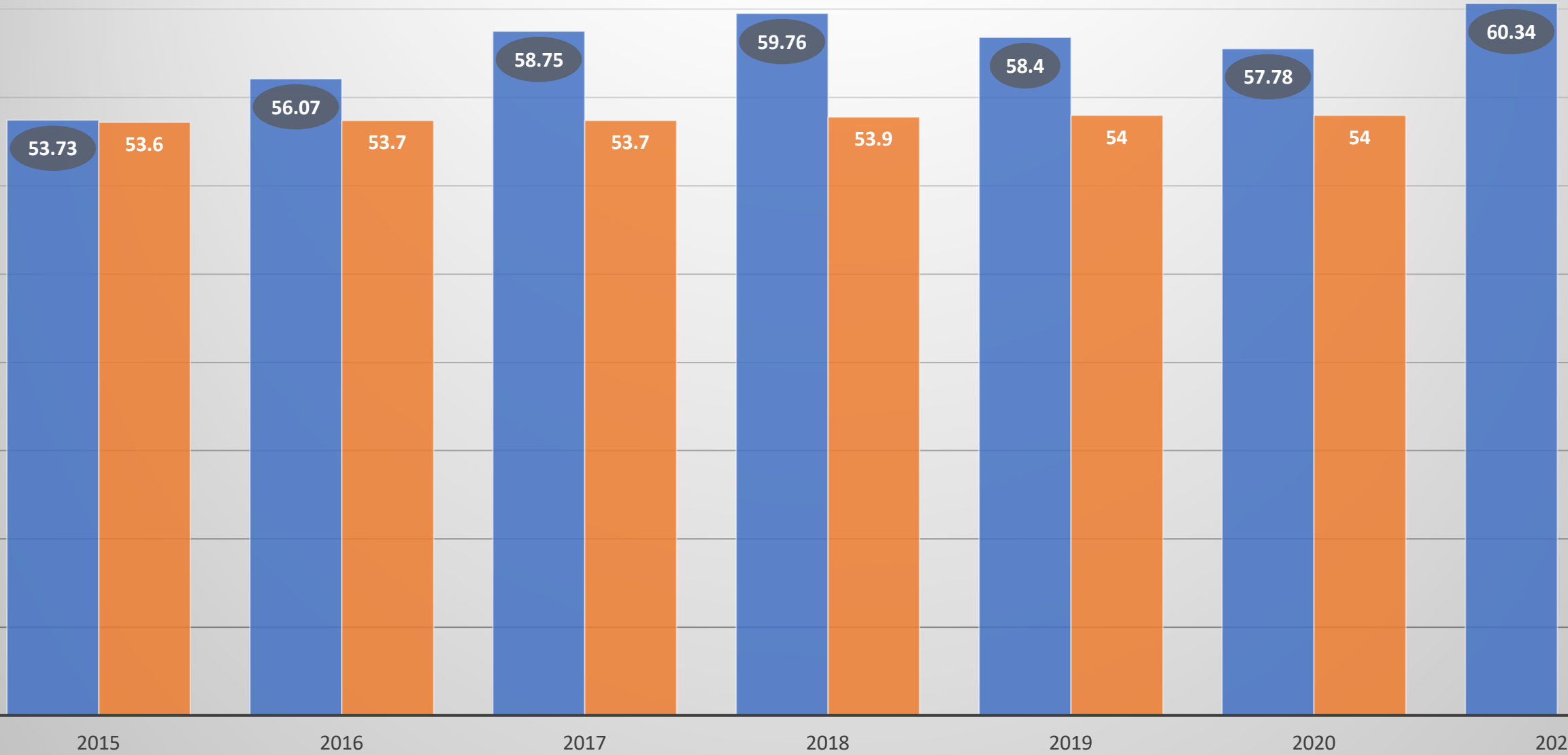
Calculation Changes: **No Changes**

Updated Analysis: **Representativeness Requirements are Solidified**

Post School Outcomes- Enrolled in Higher Education

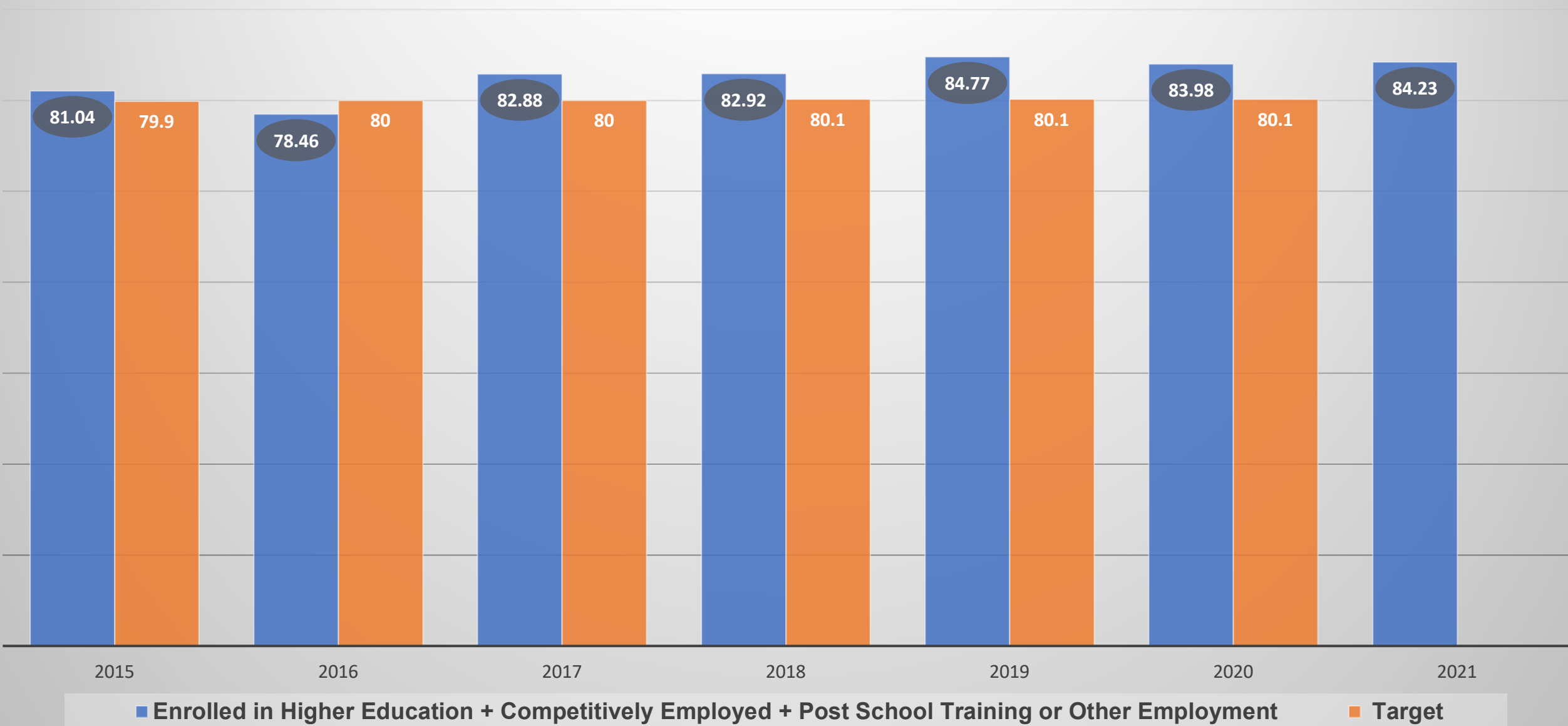


Post School Outcomes – Enrolled in Higher Education + Competitively Employed



■ Percentage Enrolled in Higher Education and/or Competitively Employed ■ Target

Post School Outcomes – Enrolled in Higher Education + Competitively Employed + Post School Training or Other Employment



What is the focus of the SSIP?



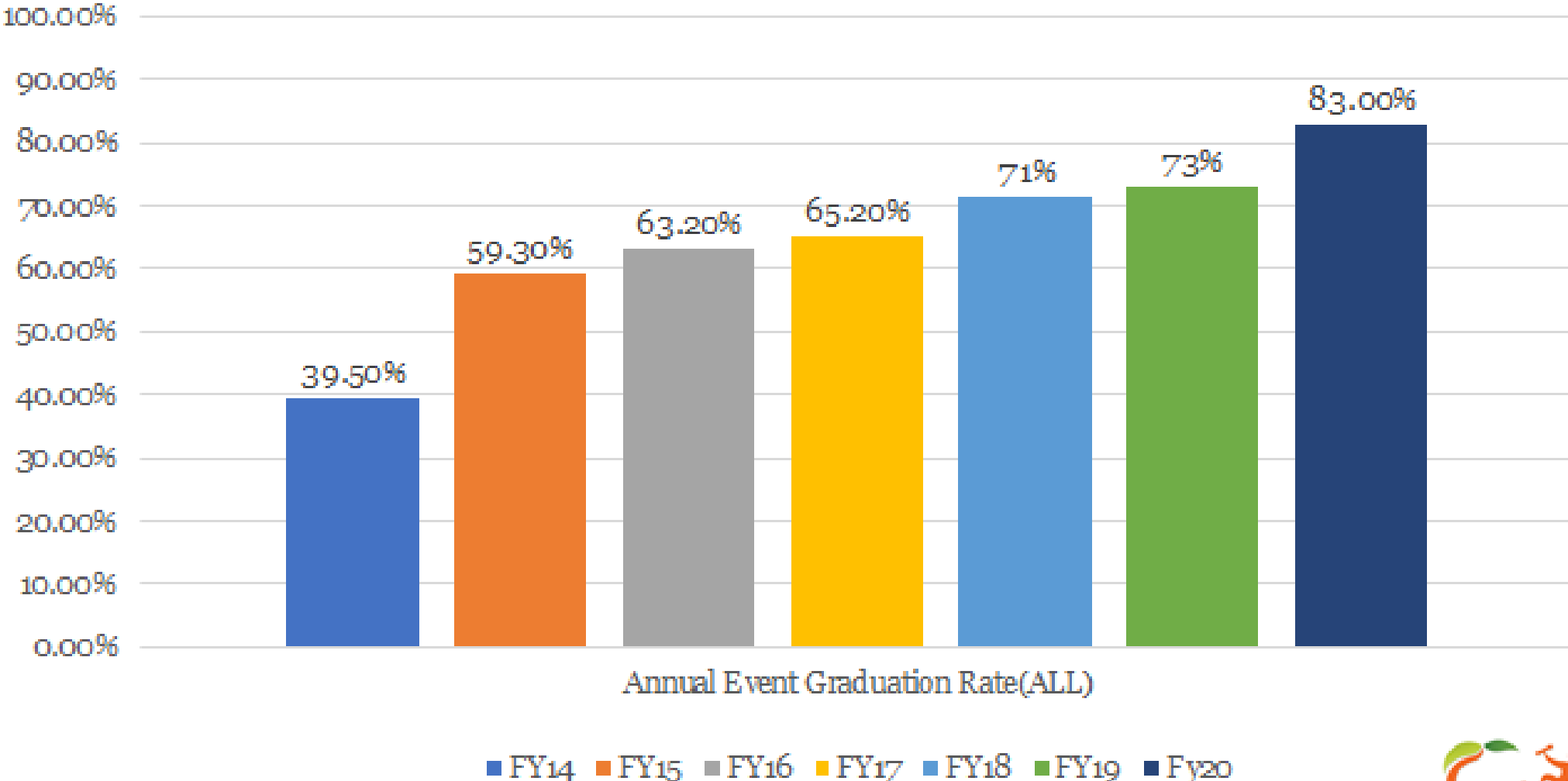
- In 2013-2014 the state decided based upon data analysis and stakeholder input to focus the State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) Indicator 17 on **graduation**.
- The state rate for SWD graduation rates was 39.5%.
- It set the SIM-R (State Identified Measurable Result) goal to increase graduation rates for students with disabilities to 65% or higher using the Annual Event Rate.

State Identified Measurable Result



- **Georgia's SiMR is to increase the Annual Event graduation rates for students with disabilities to 67% or higher.**
- **73.47% of all districts in Georgia met the SiMR goal.**

Indicator 17: State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP)



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- **Parent Mentor Process for Assisting with Feedback**
- **Stakeholder Input Meetings Scheduled for October for Parent Mentors, Parents, and High School Students with Disabilities**
 - **Parent Mentors attempt to get two to three parents and one high school student with disabilities from their school system to participate in a Stakeholder Input Meeting**
- **Anne Ladd shares the registration links for the Feedback Meetings in early October to be held by the end of October**
- **Please contact me at dkemp@doe.k12.ga.us for additional information on the SPP/APR.**



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