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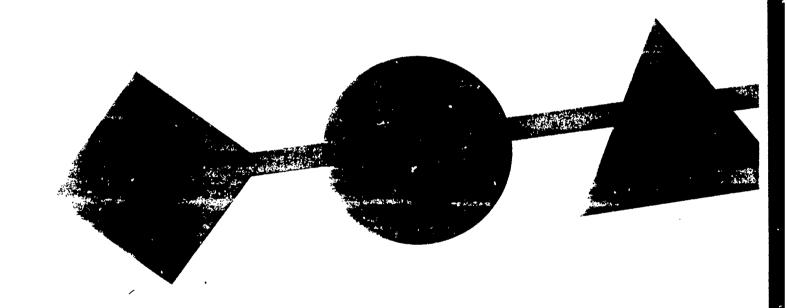
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ABSTRACT

This booklet explains the model of educational outcomes and indicators for students completing school developed by the National Center on Educational Cutcomes. It then discusses suggested sources of information for the model's 77 indicators which measure the results of education. The model lists specific outcomes for the school completion level, lists indicators for each outcome, and lists at least two sources of information that can be used to measure the degree to which students have achieved each indicator. The outcomes and indicators are designed to help make data-based decisions about educational systems and to develop goals that will increase progress toward desired outcomes. The outcome domains include: presence and participation, accommodation and adaptation, physical health, responsibility and independence, contribution and citizenship, academic and functional literacy, personal and social adjustment, and satisfaction. (JDD)

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Using Outcomes and Indicators

As educators you can't ignore the public's growing desire to know what the results of education are for all of America's students. But you may be asking yourselî "Where do I begin?" The National Center on Educational Outcomes (NCEO) agrees that educational results are important and knows that finding the data to answer questions about results can be difficult. That's why NCEO has been working to help you get the information you need to get started.

After first developing a conceptual model of educational outcomes. NCEO produced the publication *Educational Outcomes and Indicators for Students Completing School*. This document explains the model (see figure 1, page 2), along with specific outcomes and indicators of those outcomes for the school completion level.

By using outcomes and indicators like those in NCEO's school completion model, you can make data-based decisions about your educational systems. You can also have goals that will increase progress toward desired outcomes. But first, you need to identify where you will get the information for each indicator. This easy-to-follow booklet will help you obtain the information you need.

Using This Booklet

In this booklet, which is a companion piece to Educational Outcomes and

Indicators for Students Completing School, you will find possible suggestions for sources of information for each of the 77 indicators listed in the conceptual model for students completing school. As Figure 2 (page 3) indicates, each of the eight outcome domains (represented by diamonds) has several outcomes (circles) and indicators (triangles) of those outcomes.

As you read through this booklet, you will find that the information follows the order of outcome domains and outcomes presented in Figure 3 (pages 4 and 5). Indicators and possible sources of information are listed for each outcome (A1 to H3). For example, outcome A1 of Presence and Participation has three indicators: A1a, A1b, and A1c. Each of these indicators has at least two sources of information that car. be used to get a measure of the degree that students are present and participate.

NCEO wants you, along with state department and school district personnel, to use this booklet as a resource when developing a system to document indicators of educational outcomes for all students, including those with disabilities. Companion pieces will also be developed for the post-school level (Ysseldyke, Thurlow, & Gilman, 1993c), and for the early childhood levels at age 3 (Ysseldyke, Thurlow, & Gilman, 1993a) and age 6 (Ysseldyke, Thurlow, & Gilman, 1993b).

Other Helpful Publications

Other publications that can help you follow the same process and steps used by NCEO include:

Developing a Model of Educational Outcomes - A description of the process and stages leading to the development of the model (Ysseldyke & Thurlow, 1993a)

Consensus Building: A Process for Selecting Educational Outcomes and Indicators - A description of the consensus-building technique used to reach agreement among diverse stakeholders on outcomes and indicators (Vanderwood & Ysseldyke, 1993)

Self-Study Guide to the Development of Educational Outcomes and Indicators - A self-study guide containing a four step process for developing outcomes and indicators (Ysseldyke & Thurlow, 1993b)

As you implement your assessment program, NCEO strongly encourages you to share your results with NCEO staff. By doing so, your experience and information can be shared with state and local educators. Write or call NCEO at 350 Elliott Hall, 75 East River Road, Minneapolis, MN 55455, 612-626-1530.



Conceptual Model of Domains and Outcomes

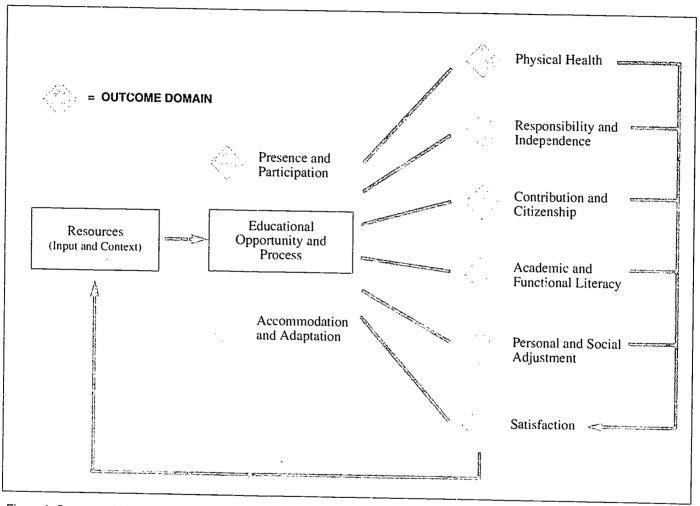


Figure 1. Conceptual Model of Educational Outcomes for Students Completing School



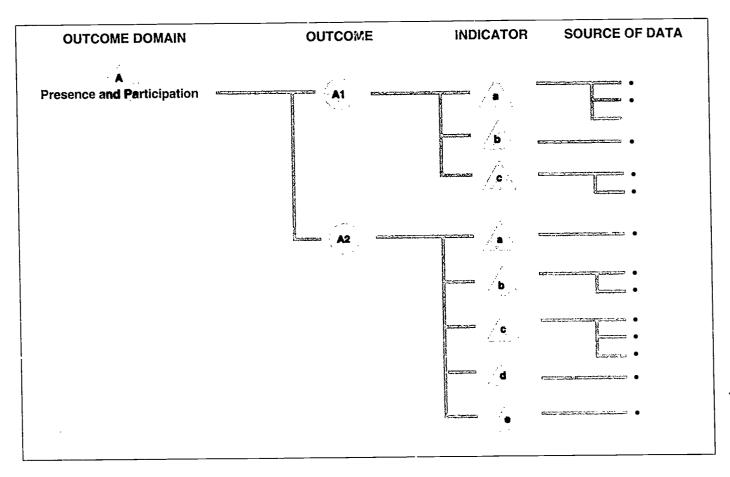


Figure 2. NCEO's Model of Outcomes, Indicators, and Sources of Data



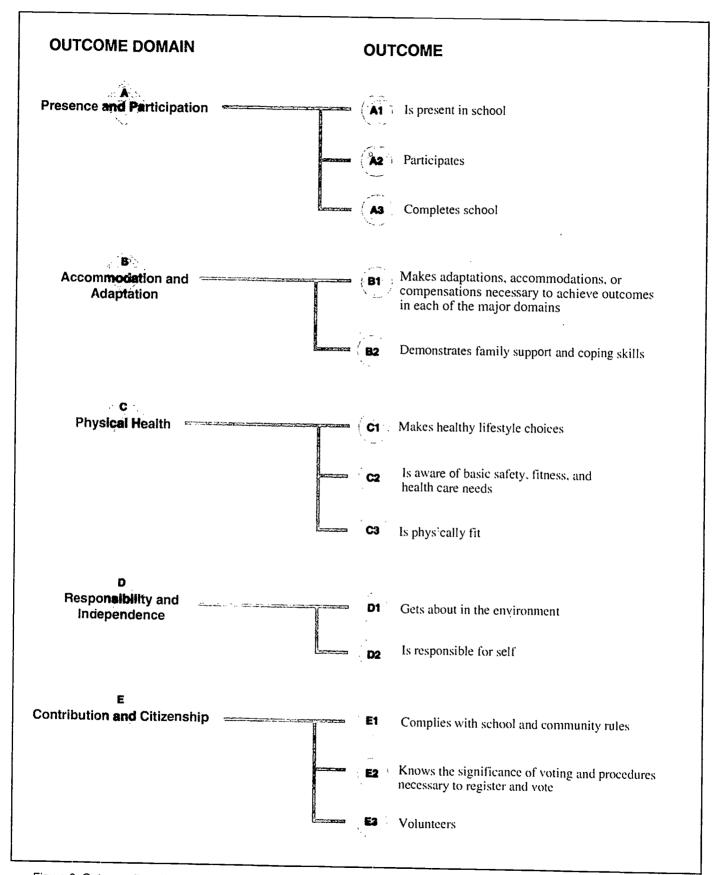


Figure 3. Outcome Domains and Outcomes for Students Completing School



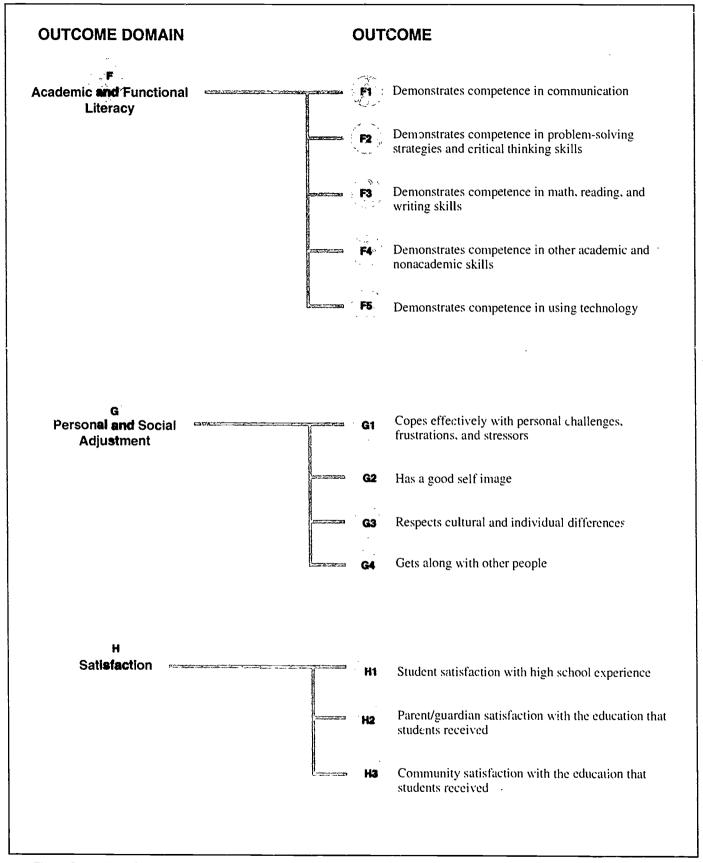


Figure 3., continued



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- = OUTCOME
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Is present in school

- Ata Absenteeism rate during last year of school (differentiated for reasons of suspension, medical/health, truancy, and other)
- School attendance data from administrative school records and/or information systems
- Principal questionnaire

Percent of students excluded from their typical school placement

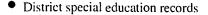
Number of days students suspended

Number of students expelled

District special education records

 Annual state reports to U.S. Office of Special Education Programs

A1c Percent of students attending residential settings (in and out of state), separate schools, separate classes



- Annual state reports to U.S. Office of Special Education Programs
- Parent questionnaire



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- Percent of time students participate actively in general education classrooms during last year of school
- Direct observation (time sampling) conducted during randomly selected intervals during mainstreaming
- District administrative/special education Individualized Education Program (IEP) records
- Teacher rating of degree of active participation on formal/informal rating scale
- Systematic observation of behaviors indicating active participation
- A2b Percent of time students participate actively in community activities during the last year of school
- Self report of number of days (or half days) the student participated in community activities
- Parent or student interview/questionnaire
- School record or record from community agency of student participation in community activities

Percent of time students participate actively in extra-curricular activities during last year of school

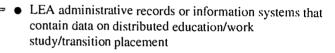
- Self report of number of days (or half days) the student participated in extra-curricular activities
- Parent or student interview/questionnaire
- School/administrative record of student participation in extra-curricular activities
- Teacher questionnaire





- Percent of students who participate in district, state, and national testing programs
- SEA or LEA testing records
- Records from national testing program (e.g., NAEP, NELS)
- Private agency records (e.g., ACE, ACT, ETS)

Percent of students who have employment experience (through school programs) before leaving school



- Vocational education follow-up records of student participation in work experience
- Teacher and/or student interview
- Parent survey



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Percent of students who graduate A3a with a diploma

- Student transcripts obtained from districts
- Graduation records from school district administrative records and/or information systems
- State reports to U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (e.g., December 1st Child Count form)
- State information systems

- Percent of students who earn a certificate of completion/attendance
- Student transcripts and graduation records
- State reports to U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (e.g., December 1st Child Count form)
- Teacher questionnaire
- School district records
- State information systems

- Percent of students who earn a GED diploma
- Student transcripts and graduation records
- State reports to U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (e.g., December 1st Child Count form)
- Teacher questionnaire
- Records from Adult Education Office in Washington, D.C.
- American Council on Education state reports on GED testing and test results





Completes school, continued

A3d Percent of students who drop out

- Student transcripts and graduation records
- State reports to U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (e.g., *December 1st Child Count* form)
- Teacher questionnaire
- Records from Adult Education Office in Washington, D.C.
- American Council on Education state reports on GED testing and test results

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Accommodation and Adaptation

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B1: Makes adaptations, accommodations, or compensations

necessary to achieve outcomes in each of the major domains

Parent survey or interview at graduation Percent of students who demonstrate adaptation/accommodation/ compensation skills required to move Observation of student just prior to graduation about in their environments Performance-based assessment results Teacher report Observation of student just prior to graduation Percent of students who demonstrate Bib adaptation/accommodation/ compensation skills required to • Teacher, parent, or student questionnaire or interview communicate Observation of student just prior to graduation Percent of students who demonstrate adaptation/accommodation/ compensation skills required to read Teacher, parent, or student questionnaire or interview Performance-based assessment results Teacher, parent or student questionnaire or interview Percent of students who demonstrate == adaptation/accommodation/ compensation skills required to Observation of student participate in activities in home, school, and community environments Performance-based assessment results

Percent of students who demonstrate adaptation/accommodation/ compensation skills required to manage personal needs in home, school, and community environments



- Observation of student
- Performance-based assessment results



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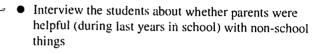
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Accommodation and Adaptation



Demonstrates family support and coping skills

Percent of families prepared to cope with students' needs after students leave school



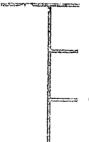
- Records obtained from state public health, social services, or mental health agency
- Parent interview about the amount of planning given to

Percent of families knowledgeable about community resources and programs needed by student



- Parent interview/survey about their knowledge of community resources — education, social services, mental health
- Records obtained from state public health, social services, or mental health agency

B2c Percent of families participating in education of their children



- Percent of parents who show up for IEP conference and sign their child's IEP
- Records obtained from state public health, social services, or mental health agency
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview
- School records of parent participation in conferences, extra-curricular activities, and parent-professional meetings (e.g., ARC)

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Phys**ical H**ealth

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C1 Makes healthy lifestyle choices

Percent of students who indicate that Self report interview/survey they use tobacco products Biannual Center for Diseasc Control Youth Risk Behaviors Survey (YRBS) (Only grades 9-12 are available and not by handicapping condition.) Use YRBS items as interview or survey items National Health Interview Survey: Annual survey completed by the National Center for Health Statistics School report Parent report Percent of students who make good Look at student or use skin fold for obesity/underweight nutritional choices Interview student or parent (obtain report of nutritional choices within past week or day and assess proportion of good and poor choices) Biannual Center for Disease Control Youth Risk Behaviors Survey (YRBS) (Only grades 9-12 are available and not by handicapping condition.) Finger-prick cholesterol check Percent of students who have abused Biannual Center for Disease Control Youth Risk alcohol or drugs in the past year Behaviors Survey (YRBS) (Only grades 9-12 are available and not by handicapping condition.) Self-reports, peer informants Parent, student interview/survey Administrative school records of violators National Household Survey on Drug Abuse: Survey

completed by the National Institute on Drug Abuse

National Health Interview Survey: Annual survey completed by the National Center for Health Statistics

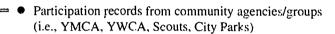




Makes healthy lifestyle choices, continued

- Percent of students who indicate they have had unprotected sex in the past year
- Student interview/survey
- Biannual Center for Disease Control Youth Risk Behaviors Survey (YRBS) (Only grades 9-12 are available and not by handicapping condition.)
- Use YRBS items as interview or survey items
- National Health Interview Survey

Percent of students who elect to participate in sports, recreational, and/or exercise activities



- Biannual Center for Disease Control Youth Risk Behaviors Survey (YRBS) (Only grades 9-12 are available and not by handicapping condition.)
- Interviews/surveys of teachers, coaches, parents, others
- Student interview/survey
- Administrative school records participation in sports (competitive and intramural) and clubs



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ls aware of basic safety, fitness, and health care needs

C2a Percent of students who are aware of basic safety precautions and procedures

- Selected items from adaptive behavior scales or checklists (e.g., Responsibility and independence Scale for Adolescents, PASS, Scales of Independent Behavior)
- Knowledge test results/performance assessments (Center for Disease Control Youth Risk Behaviors Survey)
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, or student interview or survey
- Health examination scores (several states have developed these)

C2b Percent of students who are aware of basic fitness needs

Knowledge test results

- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, or student interview
- Physical education and health examination scores

C2c Percent of students who are aware of basic health care needs

- Knowledge test results
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, or student interview
- Physical education and health examination scores

Percent of students who know when, where, and how to access health care

- Knowledge test results
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, or student interview
- Physical education and health examination scores

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C3 Is physically fit

C3a Percent of students who are physically fit

- Selected items from National Health Interview Survey or the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System to be used in a survey to students
- Results of fitness tests and physical exams
- Teacher (e.g., P.E. teacher) questionnaire, parent interview, or student interview/survey



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Responsibility and Independence

D1 Gets about in the environment

Dta Percent of students who can get to and from a variety of destinations

- Selected items from adaptive behavior scales or checklists (e.g., Responsibility and Independence Scale for Adolescents, PASS, Scales of Independent Behavior)
- Knowledge test that allows for both local and general assessment of the ability to go from one destination to the other
- Survey/interview of parents about student's skill in reading road maps, bus schedules, etc.
- Performance assessments for locale urban, rural, suburban
- Percent of students who know how to access community services (e.g., rehabilitation, counseling, employment, health, etc.)
- Interview student make him/her explain how it is done or write directions so a friend could access the services
- Selected items from adaptive behavior scales or checklists (e.g., Responsibility and Independence Scale for Adolescents, PASS, Scales of Independent Behavior)
- Knowledge tests (e.g., SEA/LEA developed tests) on access to community services
- Parent interview, student interview/survey
- Percent of students who complete transactions (e.g., shopping, banking, dry-cleaning, etc.) in the community
- Select items from adaptive behavior scales or checklists (e.g., Responsibility and Independence Scale for Adolescents, PASS, Scales of Independent Behavior)
- Direct observational recordings by supervisors
- Parent interview, student interview/survey



Responsibility and Independence

Di Gets about in the environment, continued

D1d Percent of students with a driver's license

- Selected items from adaptive behavior scales or checklists (e.g., Responsibility and Independence Scale for Adolescents, PASS, Scales of Independent Behavior)
- Parent interview, student interview/survey
- Student report

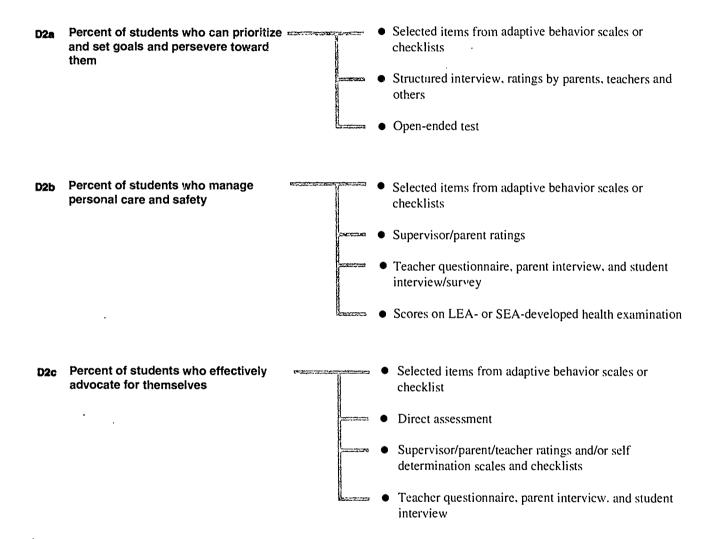


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Responsibility and Independence

D2 Is responsible for self



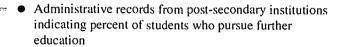


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Responsibility and Independence

D2 Is responsible for self, continued

D2d Percent of students who are likely to engage in lifelong learning



- Measures of academic success in school/ratings of commitment to learning
- Parent, student interview/survey to explore the use of less formal means of continuing education — private seminars, tutoring on computers, for example, as well as self-taught skills





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Contribution and Citizenship

E1 Complies with school and community rules

- Percent of students who have been Administrative school records suspended or subjected to other disciplinary actions Number of discipline contacts between student and principal's office, teacher reports of time-outs, loss of privileges, etc. Teacher questionnaire State information system Percent of students who have been Fih Administrative school records repeatedly suspended or subjected to disciplinary actions Record of suspensions, exclusions, and discipline contacts in archival school records Teacher questionnaire State information system Vandalism rate and magnitude Parent/student report Vandalism rate and frequency of acts recorded by police and/or school (acts classified by severity) National Longitudinal Transition Study Principa' report Data from National Education Goals Panel report on safe schools Crime rate and magnitude Parent/student report Crime rate and frequency of acts recorded by police and/or school (acts classified by severity)
 - National Longitudinal Transition Study
 - SEA-. LEA-developed interview/survey based on items from national surveys conducted by the Department of Justice (National Crime Survey) – should include juvenile detention and correctional facilities, local jails, and state adult correctional facilities
 - Principal report



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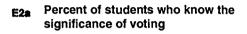


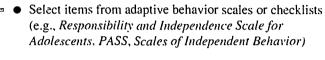
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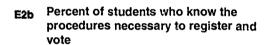
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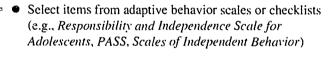
Knows the significance of voting and procedures necessary to register and vote





- Knowledge tests (e.g., civics exam scores)
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview
- Civics examination scores





- Knowledge tests (e.g., civics exam scores)
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview



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Contribution and Citizenship

E3 Volunteers

Percent of students who vo unteer time to school, civic, community, or nonprofit activities

- Community and administrative school records
- Observational recordings by supervisors/reports by volunteer coordinators
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview/survey
- Principal survey



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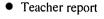
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Academic and Functional Literacy

F1 Demonstrates competence in communication

Percent of students who use and comprehend language that effectively accomplishes the purpose of the communication



- State or district writing test
- NAEP assessment results
- Observation
- Ratings by parents and teachers/peer reports
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview



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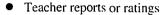
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Academic and Functional Literacy

F2 Demonstrates competence in problem-solving strategies and critical thinking skills

Percent of students who demonstrate problem-solving and critical thinking skills



- Performance on problem-solving and critical thinking tests
- Parent or student interview
- Performance-based assessment results



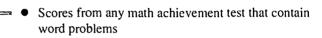


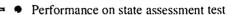
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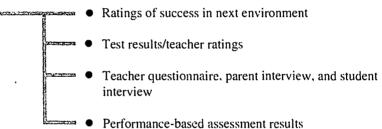
- F3 Demonstrates competence in math, reading, and writing skills
- Percent of students who demonstrate competence in math necessary to function in their current home, school, work, and community environments



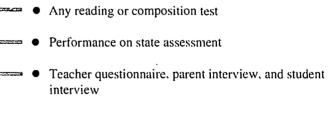


- Supervisor and teacher reports of functional use of applied math
- Performance-based assessment results

F3b Percent of students who demonstrate competence in math necessary to function in their next environment



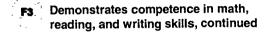
F3c Percent of students who demonstrate competence in reading necessary to function in their current home, school, work, and community environments



Performance-based assessment results

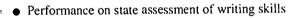






- F3d Percent of students who demonstrate competence in reading necessary to function in their next environment
- Ratings of success in next environment
- Performance on state assessment
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview
- Performance-based assessment results

Percent of students who demonstrate competence in writing necessary to function in their current home, school, work and community environments



- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview
- Performance-based assessment results

F3f Percent of students who demonstrate competence in writing necessary to function in their next environment



- Performance on state assessment of writing skills
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview
- Performance-based assessment results



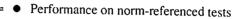
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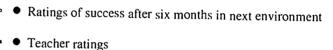
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Academic and Functional Literacy

- F4 Demonstrates competence in other academic and nonacademic skills
- Percent of students who demonstrate competence in other academic and nonacademic skills necessary to function in their current home, school, work, and community environments



- Performance on state assessment
- Scores on science and health assessment program being used by SEA
- Teacher ratings
- Performance-based assessment results
- F4b Percent of students who demonstrate competence in other academic and nonacademic skills necessary to function in their next environment



Performance-based assessment results



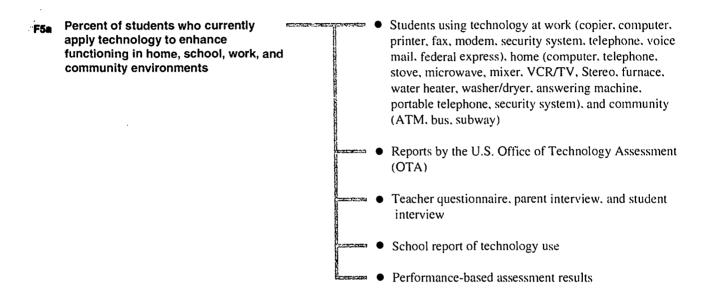


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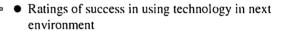
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Academic and Functional Literacy

F5 Demonstrates competence in using technology



Percent of students who demonstrate competence in using technology to function in their next environment



- Students using technology at work (copier, computer, printer, fax, modem, security system, telephone, voice mail, federal express), home (computer, telephone, stove, microwave, mixer, VCR/TV, stereo, furnace, washer/dryer, answering machine, portable telephone, security system), and community (ATM, bus, subway)
- NAEP questions on use of computers/calculators at home
- Reports by the U.S. Office of Technology Assessment (OTA)
- Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview
- School report of technology use
- Performance-based assessment results

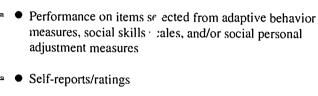


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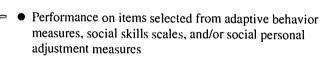
Personal and Social Adjustment

- Q1 Copes effectively with personal challenges, frustrations, and stressors
- G1a Percent of students who cope effectively with personal challenges, frustrations, and stressors



• Reports by parents, teachers, and students

G1b Percent of students whose behavior reflects an acceptance of the consequences for behavior (e.g., makes restitution)



• Teacher questionnaire, parent interview, and student interview



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(G2) Has a good self image

G2a Percent of students who perceive themselves as worthwhile

- Scores on any self-concept scaleStructured interviews, parent and teacher ratings
- Student interview
- School routine screening for depression and suicide (e.g., the *Reynolds Adolescent Depression Scale*)

G2b Percent of students who perceive themselves as competent

- Scores on any self-concept scale
- Structured interviews, parent and teacher ratings
- Student self report (Harter Perceived Academic Competence Scale)



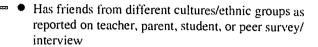
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Personal and Social Adjustment

G3 Respects cultural and individual differences

G3a Percent of students whose behavior demonstrates acceptance of culture and individual differences



Participates in cross-cultural school activities



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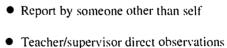


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Personal and Social Adjustment

G4 Gets along with other people

- Performance on items selected from adaptive behavior Percent of students who have friends and are a part of a social network measures, social skills scales, and/or social personal adjustment measures Annual follow-up study Use of Social Network Analysis Teacher, parent, and student interview/survey Performance on items selected from adaptive behavior Percent of students who demonstrate skill in interacting and in making measures, social skills scales, and/or social personal decisions in social situations, including adjustment measures during interpersonal conflict Annual follow-up study Use of Social Network Analysis Teacher, parent, and student interview/survey
- **G4c** Percent of students who engage in productive group work



Teacher, supervisor, and parent survey/interview



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Hi Student satisfaction with high school experience

- Percent of students who are satisfied with level of achievement

 Percent of students who are satisfied with what was provided in school

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 Percent of students who are satisfied with high school experience

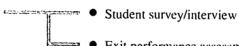
 Student survey/interview

 Parent/guardian survey/interview

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- H1d Percent of students who are satisfied with progress toward achieving educational outcomes



- Exit performance assessment results
- Parent/guardian survey/interview



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Parent/guardian satisfaction with the education that students received

Percent of parents/guardians who are Parent/guardian survey/interview satisfied with level of achievement Exit performance assessment results Percent of parents/guardians who are Parent/guardian survey/interview satisfied with what was provided in school Number of due process hearings Percent of parents/guardians who are Parent/guardian survey/interview satisfied with high school experience Number of due process hearings Percent of parents/guardians who are H2d Parent/guardian survey/interview satisfied with progress toward achieving educational outcomes Number of due process hearings

Percent of parents/guardians who are

satisfied with the extent to which student is prepared to live in society

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Teacher, parent, or student survey/interview

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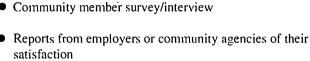


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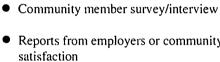
Community satisfaction with the education that students received

Percent of community (teachers, policymakers, employers, general public) satisfied with students' level of achievement

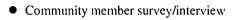


- Data collected from the community as part of the accreditation process

Percent of community (teachers, policymakers, employers, general public) satisfied with what was provided in school



- Reports from employers or community agencies of their satisfaction
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- Percent of community (teachers, policymakers, employers, general public) satisfied with students' progress toward achieving educational cutcomes



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