

Academic Benefits of Athletics

Summary of Outcomes for the Graduating Class of 2017

Austin Independent School District

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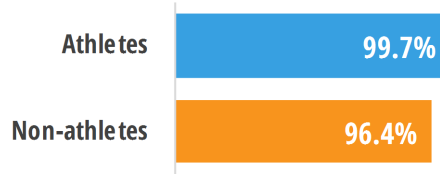
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Athletic Participation

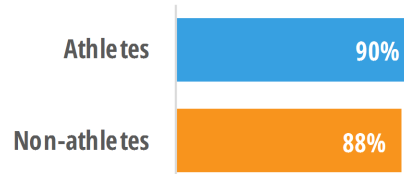


More than half of the 4,207 2017 graduates participated in athletics in middle school, or high school, or both.

Graduation Rate*



Attendance Rate*



About this report

AISD athletes included:

- 55% of the Hispanic graduates
- 60% of the African American graduates
- 53% of the white graduates
- 52% of economically disadvantaged graduates

National Student Clearing House

The postsecondary enrollment data for this report came from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC). The NSC database contains 98% of nationwide enrollment in both public and private postsecondary institutions. Data from NSC were linked to the 2017 AISD graduate records submitted to the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) on the following variables: student's first and last name, date of birth, and zip code.

However, an enrollment match only occurs if each variable matches exactly and students may choose to opt out of sharing their enrollment data. Therefore, this summary may underestimate actual enrollment.

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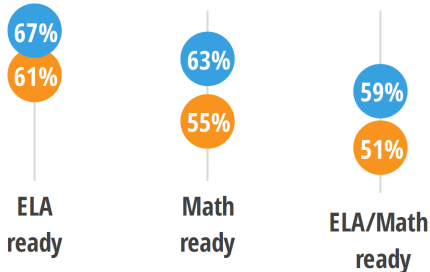
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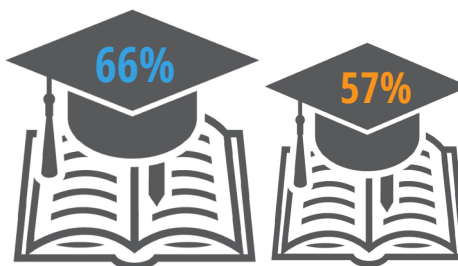
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College Readiness*



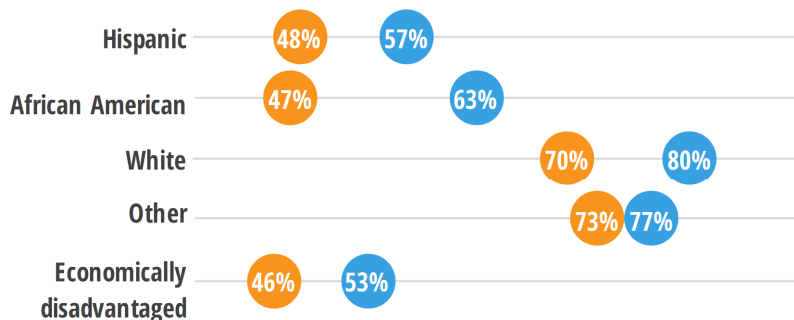
Greater percentages of athletes than of non-athletes were college ready in English language arts, math, or both.

College Enrollment*



Student athletes had significantly higher college enrollment rates than non-athletes.

College Enrollment by Student Groups



Higher enrollment rates of athletes than of non-athletes were observed regardless of race or whether students were economically disadvantaged.

Sources. Austin ISD student attendance, course enrollment, college admissions tests, and graduation data from 2014–2015 to 2016–2017 and college enrollment from the National Student Clearinghouse, 2017.

Note. *significant difference, $p < .01$