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VA DOE RELEASES 2ND ROUND OF COHORT RESULTS FOR SCHOOL DIVISIONS

W-JCC Results Improve in 2005-09 vs. 2004-08 On-Time Graduation Rates in All NCLB Subgroups Greater than Ten Students

W-JCC Results Improve in 2005-09 vs. 2005-08 Dropout Rates in All NCLB Subgroups Greater than Ten Students but One

W-JCC Results Improve in 2005-09 vs. 2004-08 Cohort Completion Rates in all NCLB Subgroups Greater than Ten Students but One

Williamsburg, VA, Oct. 20 – The Virginia Department of Education has released on-time graduation rates, dropout rates, and cohort completion rates for the cohort of students, 2005-2009. Last year, the Department first released these data for the cohort of students, 2004-2008. As a result, the comparisons (04-08 vs. 05-09) for W-JCC follow:

*ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE	2004-2008	2005-2009	CHANGE
All Students	79.70% (734 of 921)	82.33% (699 of 849)	2.63% Gain
Black	64.1% (132 of 206)	70.53% (134 of 190)	6.43% Gain
White	86.00% (548 of 637)	86.77% (518 of 597)	0.77% Gain
Hispanic	55.00% (22 of 40)	68.75% (22 of 32)	13.75% Gain
Limited English Proficient	Less than 10 Students		
Economically Disadvantaged	58% (63 of 108)	69.84% (88 of 126)	11.84% Gain
Students with Disabilities	88.61% (70 of 79)	91.57% (76 of 83)	2.96% Gain
All Students—State of Virginia	82.10% (78,940 of 96,152)	83.2% (81,572 of 98,043)	1.10% Gain

***On-Time Graduation Rate** = Percent graduated in a four year timeframe, i.e., “On-Time.” Some students finish in a time frame beyond four years, or earn a G.E.D., or some particular certificate, or are still in school working on a regular diploma.

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Dropout Rates

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**<u>COHORT DROPOUT RATE</u>	<u>2004-2008</u>	<u>2005-2009</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
All Students	8.58% (79 of 921)	7.77% (66 of 849)	0.81% Gain
Black	18.45% (38 of 206)	13.68% (25 of 190)	4.77% Gain
White	4.87% (31 of 637)	5.19% (31 of 597)	0.32% Loss
Hispanic	22.5% (9 of 40)	15.63% (5 of 32)	6.87% Gain
Limited English Proficient	Less than 10 Students		
Economically Disadvantaged	18.52% (20 of 108)	7.14% (9 of 126)	11.38% Gain
Students with Disabilities	6.33% (5 of 79)	6.02% (5 of 83)	0.31% Gain
All Students—State of Virginia	8.68% (8,346 of 96,152)	7.90% (7,745 of 98,043)	0.78% Gain

**In the category of “other” students, in 2004-08, there was one dropout; in this same category, in 2005-09, there were 4 dropouts. In the category of “Asian” students, in 2004-08, there were 0 dropouts while there was a single dropout in 2005-09.

***<u>COHORT COMPLETION RATE</u>	<u>2004-2008</u>	<u>2005-2009</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
All Students	87.30%	87.40%	0.10% Gain
Black	75.70%	76.80%	1.10% Gain
White	92.00%	91.10%	0.90% Loss
Hispanic	65.00%	81.30%	16.3% Gain
Limited English Proficient	Less than 10 Students		
Economically Disadvantaged	75.00%	77.80%	2.80% Gain
Students with Disabilities	93.70%	94.0%	0.30% Gain
State of Virginia	86.40%	87.20%	0.8% Gain

***Cohort Completion Rate includes those students who earn a regular diploma or G.E.D.

“Naturally we are pleased that these numbers are, by and large, headed in the right direction given this comparison of two different cohorts of students. Having said that, 66 students dropped out of high school in 2009 in W-JCC and for them we must be concerned,” said Superintendent Gary Mathews. “We look forward to our Community Summit on Dropout Prevention in January, as the solution is bigger than just the schools alone.”

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