



NEW ENGLAND
SECONDARY SCHOOL
CONSORTIUM

Data Team Meeting

January 10, 2018
Concord, NH

AGENDA

9:30 am	Welcome & Overview
9:40 am	Introduce New Data Coordinator & State Updates
10:00 am	Review Indicator Definitions & Procedural Guidebook
11:00 am	Discuss Changes in Support Offered in 2018
12:00 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Data Interpretation & Use
2:45 pm	Wrap-Up & Next Steps
3:00 pm	Adjourn & Safe Travels

GUIDEBOOK

Proposed Revisions for 2018

- Page 6: Revise discussion of 2016 Goals to describe progress made by states
- Page 21: Revise Timeline for 2018
- Pages 25-26: Revise Annual Report Content sections as determined by the group

GUIDEBOOK

Questions

- Goals were set for 2016. Do we want to set new goals and/or a new target date? Add equity goal(s)?
- Do we need an “Other” category for Gender?
- Do states foresee a need to change the definition or data collection method for Economically Disadvantaged? Discuss Massachusetts method.

DATA TEMPLATE

Proposed Changes for 2018

- GSP will use Google Drive to share the data template
- All 2018 data will be entered in one streamlined worksheet
- One file per state, with historical data in worksheets by year

DATA TEMPLATE

2018 Data Template

File Home Insert Page Layout Formulas Data Review View Power Pivot Tell me what you want to do

Cut Copy Paste Format Painter Clipboard

Arial 10 Font

Wrap Text Alignment

General Number

Normal Check Cell

G18

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Cohort year	Indicator	All	Male	Female	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	White	Black	Native American	Asian	Hawaiian/Pacific I
2	High School											
3	Fall 2013	1st-Time 9th Graders										
4	Fall 2013	4-year Graduates										
5	Fall 2013	Dropouts										
6	Fall 2012	5-Year Graduates										
7	Fall 2011	6-year graduates										
8	College Enrollment											
9	Spring 2017	Early Enrollment in Postsecondary										
10	Spring 2017	Immed Enroll in 2-Year Institution										
11	Spring 2017	Immed Enroll in 4-Year Inst										
12	Spring 2016	Later Enroll in 2-Year Inst										
13	Spring 2016	Later Enroll in 4-Year Inst										
14	College Persistence											
15	Fall 2017	First Time College Freshmen										
16	Fall 2016	Persist (3rd Sem Enroll) 2-Year Inst										
17	Fall 2016	Persist 4-Year Inst										
18	Fall 2015	Completers, 2-Year Inst										
19	Fall 2011	Completers, 4-Year Inst										
20												

2018 TIMELINE

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MAKING THE REPORT MORE USEFUL

What do you think would improve the report?

Some Ideas:

- Move introductory “About” section to an Appendix
- Better highlight changes in the Executive Summary
- Add “Goal” lines to charts where appropriate
- Add interpretive text on key takeaways
- Add appendix table with the student cohort numbers for each state
- Add a brief description of each state (demographics, # of districts...). Who would provide this content?

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How else might we visualize the data to make it more useful and engaging?

Some Ideas:

- Other types of graphs
- Slicing the data in different ways
 - e.g. Data Displays in folders

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NESSC states “work together to close persistent achievement gaps and promote greater educational equity and opportunity for all students.”

How can we better track progress and support this goal?

Some Ideas:

- Publish the race/ethnicity data this year?
- Add a section that highlights important gaps and tracks whether/how they have changed?

NEXT STEPS

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