

Master Plan for Children, Youth, and Families

Additional data requests

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Purpose and Limitations

Per the advisory committee's request, additional data was gathered and analyzed by the consultant team to provide more information about poverty and graduation rates in the City of Little Rock for public and charter school students. Cross-walked data (ie. Poverty rates x Race/ethnicity x Zip x Age) was not included because large margins of error limit the reliability of such data.

Poverty²:

- There are approximately 14,170 children and youth ages 6-24 living in poverty.
- Nearly half of the population living in poverty is under the age of 24 and one quarter of the population is under the age of five.
- Zip codes with more than 1,000 children and youth in poverty are 72202, 72204, 72206, 72209, and 72211.
- More than half of the individuals living in poverty are African American. There are more African Americans in poverty than all of the other races combined.

Graduation rates³:

- There are 23,676 students enrolled in the Little Rock School District, with African American students making up 66.3%, White 18.5%, and Hispanic 11.5%.
- 62.7% are economically disadvantaged and 10% are limited English proficient.
- Total combined graduation rate for Little Rock School District and open enrollment charter schools in the city is 77.23%.

Graduation Rates for Little Rock City School District by Race

Overall Graduation Rate	78.28
Hispanic Overall Grad Rate	68.57
Asian Overall Grad Rate	88.73
African American Overall Grad Rate	76.67
Caucasian Overall Grad Rate	84.73
Economic Disadvantage Overall Grad Rate	75.40
Special Education Overall Grad Rate	80.28
Limited English Proficiency Overall Grad Rate	67.47
TAGG Overall Grad Rate ¹	75.41

¹ TAGG (Targeted Achievement Gap Group) data represents the overall graduation rate for members of Economically Disadvantaged, Students with Disabilities and English Language Learners.

² Poverty data collected comes from the U.S. Census.

³ Enrollment and graduation data comes from the Little Rock School District and the Arkansas Department of Education.



- Individuals with the lowest graduation rates are those with Limited English Proficiency (LEP).

2014 Charter School Graduation Rate (Little Rock)

Open Enrollment Charter Schools in Little Rock	Overall Graduation Rate	African American Grad Rate	Caucasian Grad Rate	Econ. Dis. Grad Rate	SPED Grad Rate	LEP Grad Rate	TAGG Grad Rate
ACADEMICS PLUS	89.19	77.78	92.86	60.00	66.67	0.00	57.14
LISA ACADEMY HIGH	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	N/A	0.00	100.00
ESTEM HIGH CHARTER	98.21	98.25	97.56	96.43	N/A	100.00	96.43
LISA ACADEMY-NLR HIGH SCHOOL	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	N/A	0.00	100.00
SIATECH HIGH CHARTER	17.65	15.66	23.08	15.87	N/A	50.00	15.38
PREMIER HIGH SCHOOL OF LITTLE ROCK	69.23	75.00	0.00	75.00	100.00	0.00	77.78
Total Charter School Graduation Rate	79.05	77.78	82.70	74.55	83.33	75.00	74.46