

How to read the CPS College Enrollment Summary Report

The College Enrollment Summary Reports provide district level and school level information on college enrollment rates for students who graduated in year of the report. College enrollment rates reflect the percent of CPS graduates who enrolled in college by the fall of their graduating year. CPS receives college enrollment data from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC).

Students Included in this Report:

The 2015 report includes all CPS students who graduated during the 2014 – 2015 school year. A 2015 graduate is defined as a student with a graduation date between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015.

Students Not Included in this Report:

The 2015 report excludes students who were included in prior grad cohorts and students who re-enrolled after they had a graduation date.

Demographic and Academic Groups:

Gender and racial/ethnic groups: This report uses information from IMPACT to assign students to their respective gender and racial/ethnic groups. There are few students across the district in the Native American and Multiracial ethnic categories, as well as students whose ethnicity is not available. To protect the privacy of those students, these categories are not shown.

ACT groups: This report uses ACT score categories derived from data on typical students' scores at colleges of various competitive levels according to Barron's Profiles of American Colleges. Because this report represents graduates -- and not all students -- the numbers do not reflect how CPS students as a whole performed on the ACT.¹

GPA groups: GPAs are drawn from CPS semester course files. Note that GPAs are not available for all charter school graduates.

2 AP classes: Graduates who took 2 or more AP classes are included in the "2 AP Classes" category in this report.² Note that course taking information is not available for all charter school graduates.

IB: Graduates of IB authorized schools who took at least 9 IB classes as defined by course codes are included in this category.³

CTE students: Any graduate who has enrolled and completed their Career and Technical Education (CTE) program of study.⁴

¹ Source: CPS PSAE April files. For students who took a make-up PSAE exam as 12th graders, those scores were used.

² Source: CPS semester course files

³ Source: CPS semester course files

⁴ Source: CPS semester course files