

Indicator 2 – Drop Out

Reported in both the statewide and local APR. The reported dropout rate of students with IEPs is an event dropout rate, calculated by dividing the count of students with IEPs who dropped out in a given year by the total count of students with IEPs who exited special education during that year by graduating, earning a certificate, reaching the maximum age, or dropping out.

$$\text{Indicator 2} = \frac{\text{Number of students with IEPs who dropped out}}{\text{Number of students with IEPs who exited special education}} \times 100$$

Data Sources: Same data as used for reporting to the Department under section 618 of the IDEA, using the definitions in ED Facts file specification C009.

Vermont AOE definition of dropout: In Vermont, a student who is absent for more than 10 consecutive school days without authorization is classified as "withdrawn". If a truant officer is unable to verify that the student has transferred to a different school or approved educational program (e.g., home school) before the end of the year, the student is considered a dropout. A summer dropout is a student who completed the previous school year, who was absent for the first 10 days of the current school year, and who does not transfer to a different educational program.