

CIVIC MARSHALL PLAN TO BUILD A GRAD NATION

2010 INDEX

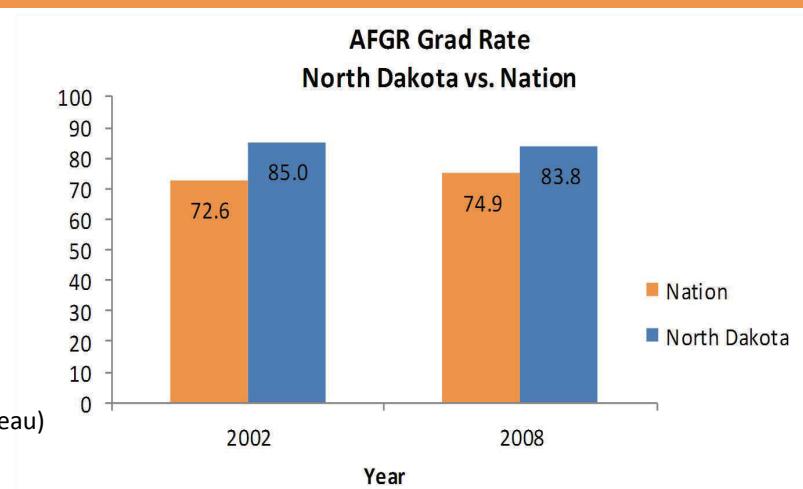
WHERE DOES NORTH DAKOTA STAND?

PROGRESS

CHALLENGES

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| I | Average Freshman Graduation Rate (AFGR): Decreased from 85.0 to 83.8 percent from 2002 to 2008 Average of -0.2 points per year | Needs to increase 0.5 points per year starting in 2008 to reach 90 percent by 2020 |
| II | Class of 2008 had 100 fewer graduates than Class of 2002* | Class of 2020 needs 518 more graduates than Class of 2008* to reach 90 percent |
| III | 1 more dropout factories in 2008 than 2002 | In 2008, there was 1 dropout factory. To reach 0 by 2016, 1 school needs to improve per year. |
| IV | 607 more students attended dropout factories in 2008 than 2002 | 607 students still attend dropout factories in 2008 |
| V | Percent of 4th graders testing at or above proficient in Reading (NAEP) increased from 32 percent to 35 percent, from 2003 to 2009 | 4,428 4th graders still not proficient in Reading |
| VI | Percent of 8th graders testing at or above proficient in Math (NAEP) increased from 36 percent to 43 percent, from 2003 to 2009 | 4,050 8th graders still not proficient in Math |
| VII | Students who took at least one AP exam during high school increased 2.0 percentage points from 8.4 percent to 10.4 percent, from 2004 to 2009 | Only 61.5 percent of test-takers scored at least one "3" or higher |

CONTEXT



DEFINITIONS AND SOURCES

- I Averaged Freshman Graduation Rate (AFGR): Provides an estimate of the overall graduation rate by averaging 8th, 9th, and 10th grade enrollments for each cohort, then dividing into the number of diplomas awarded. In 2011-2012 all reporting will shift to the US Department of Education rate using longitudinal databases.
- II Numbers are calculated according to the definition and data provided by the US Department of Education.
*Holding the population constant: In 2008, if the graduation rate was the same as it had been in 2002, this is the difference in number of graduates.
- III, IV Numbers are calculated based on enrollment data from the Common Core of Data (CCD) at the US Department of Education.
Dropout Factory: A school with 60 percent or fewer seniors than freshmen enrolled three years earlier. (Regular or Vocational enrollment high school with 300 or more students enrolled.)
- V, VI Scores were gathered from state profiles on the NAEP website
- VII Numbers are from "The 6th Annual AP® Report to the Nation" from the College Board website.