Four-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate Calculation Process

Step 1: Establishing the Cohort
17 students are promoted from Middle School to High School

High School

Step 2: Adjusting the Cohort -Transfers IN
3 students transfer into the cohort from in-state or out-of-state

Step 3: Adjusting the Cohort -Transfers OUT
2 students transfer out of the cohort to a school that awards a regular high school diploma

Step 5: Four-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate:

$$\frac{\underset{\text{Graduates}}{14}}{\underset{\substack{\text{original} \\ \text{9th graders}}}{17} + \underset{\substack{\text{Transfers} \\ \text{in}}}{3} - \underset{\substack{\text{transfers} \\ \text{out}}}{2}} = \frac{14}{18} = 77.7\%$$

In the example above, if one of the four non-graduates stays in school and graduates in five years, the Five-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate would be 15/18 = 83.3% (assuming no new additions to or removals from the cohort).

Step 4: Finalizing the Cohort

14 students graduate within four years (Graduates)

4 students do not graduate within four years (Non-Graduates)

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