

State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) Indicator Preschool Environments

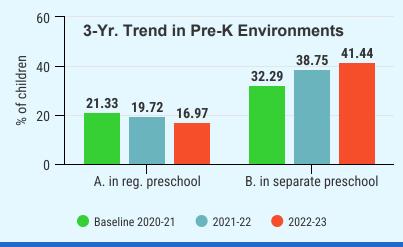
What it measures:

The percent of children with IEPs aged 3, 4, and 5 who are enrolled in an early childhood program with non-disabled peers. This indicator measures children who: A. Attend a regular early childhood program and receive the majority of special education and related services in the regular early childhood program; B. Attend a separate special education class, separate school, or residential facility; C. Receive special education and related services in the home.

Why it's important:

All young children with disabilities should have access to high-quality inclusive childhood programs that provide individualized and appropriate supports so they can fully participate alongside their same-aged peers without disabilities. Inclusive programs ensure access to the general curriculum, provide opportunities to create lasting friendships, show growth in learning new skills and have proven benefits for all children with or without a disability.

Inclusive preschool enrollment has been going down:



Indicator A should be going up and Indicator B should be going down, as we strive to educate children in more inclusive environments. It is not clear why inclusive education numbers are declining.

In SY 22-23 Indicator C saw only 0.9% of children receiving special education and related services in the home.

Some Current Improvement Activities*:



Universal Preschool More training in Inclusive practices



*Click on the link to learn more about the improvement activity.



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