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Vision and Mission

Students with ASD: Placement by Subgroup

Intersection of Race and Disability

PSM Family Engagement

Tiered Focused Monitoring and Data

Types of Data

Data Review

Finding Example

Placements Defined

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Focused Data Review

Approximately 63.9% of students are in full inclusion or partial inclusion placements, a rate lower than the state rate at approximately 79.9%.
Approximately 29.6% of eligible students are enrolled in substantially separate placements, a rate more than twice that of the state at approximately 13.5%.

An analysis of data also demonstrated high rates of placements of eligible students of color in substantially separate programs:

African American students: 36.3%
Hispanic students: 27.3%
Asian students: 30.0%
White students: 19.5%

Approximately 67.8% of students are in full inclusion or partial inclusion placements, a rate lower than the state rate at approximately 80.2%.

Approximately 26.7% of eligible students are enrolled in substantially separate placements, a rate nearly twice that of the state at approximately 13.6%.

Analysis of district data also demonstrated more than half of all eligible students with autism or emotional impairments are placed in substantially separate or more restrictive programs.

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Website includes:
 Tiered Focused Monitoring Review Reports
 Corrective Action Plans
 Tiered Focused Monitoring Review Schedule
 Tiered Focused Monitoring Review Toolkit
 Parent Resource Page