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Department of Education

Every Student, Every Step of the Way

SMART Act Hearing

January 16, 2020

Commissioner of Education
Katy Anthes, Ph.D.



Today's Agenda

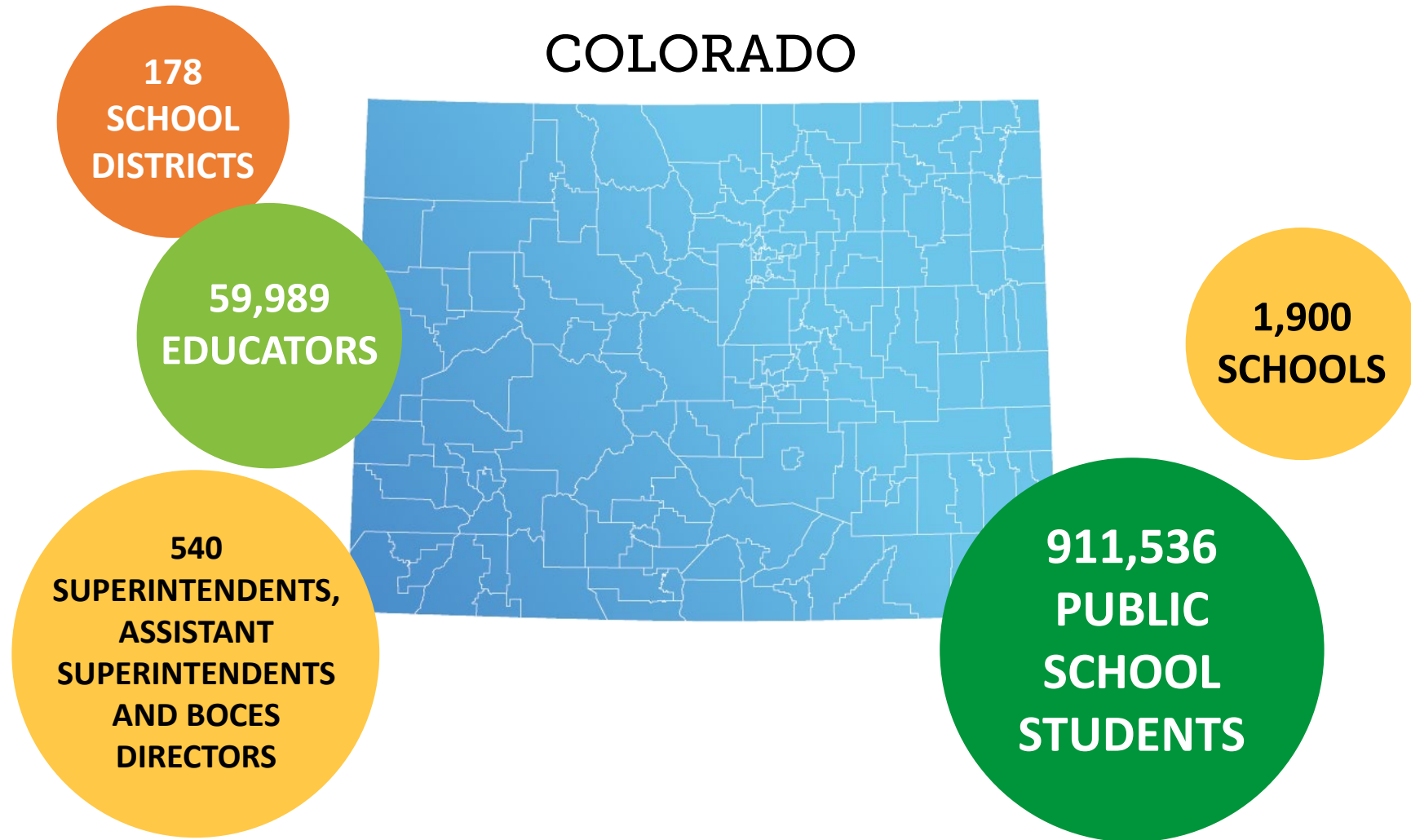
- CDE Responsibilities
- Education Overview
- 2019 Review
- Strategic Performance Plan
- Discussion & Questions

CDE Responsibilities

- Implement state and federal education laws
- Disburse state and federal funds
- Hold schools and districts accountable for performance
- License educators
- Provide public transparency of performance and financial data



Colorado Education By the Numbers



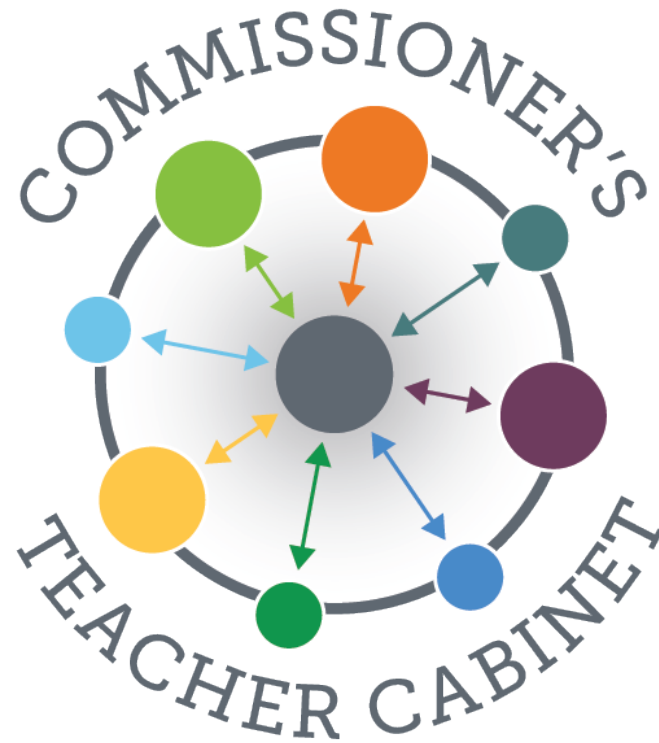
2019 in Review

- Began implementing updates to the READ Act
- Supported districts in implementing free full-day kindergarten
- Expanded the Colorado Preschool Program
- Refined and improved the new, streamlined school support grant process
- Continued accountability hearings and progress monitoring for schools and districts needing improvement
- Adjusted accountability frameworks for elementary and middle schools
- Secured new educator e-licensing platform
- Facilitated computer science training for K-5 teachers
- Streamlined evaluations for principals and others in the state model system
- Provided leadership and support for the Governor's Education Leadership Council

We're Listening



Commissioner's
Superintendent
Advisory Council



Commissioner's
Teacher Cabinet



Colorado
Youth Advisory Council



ALL MEANS ALL

Expand Access and Opportunity for
Historically Underserved Students

GOAL:

Regardless of demographics and
learning needs, all students meet or
exceed state academic standards



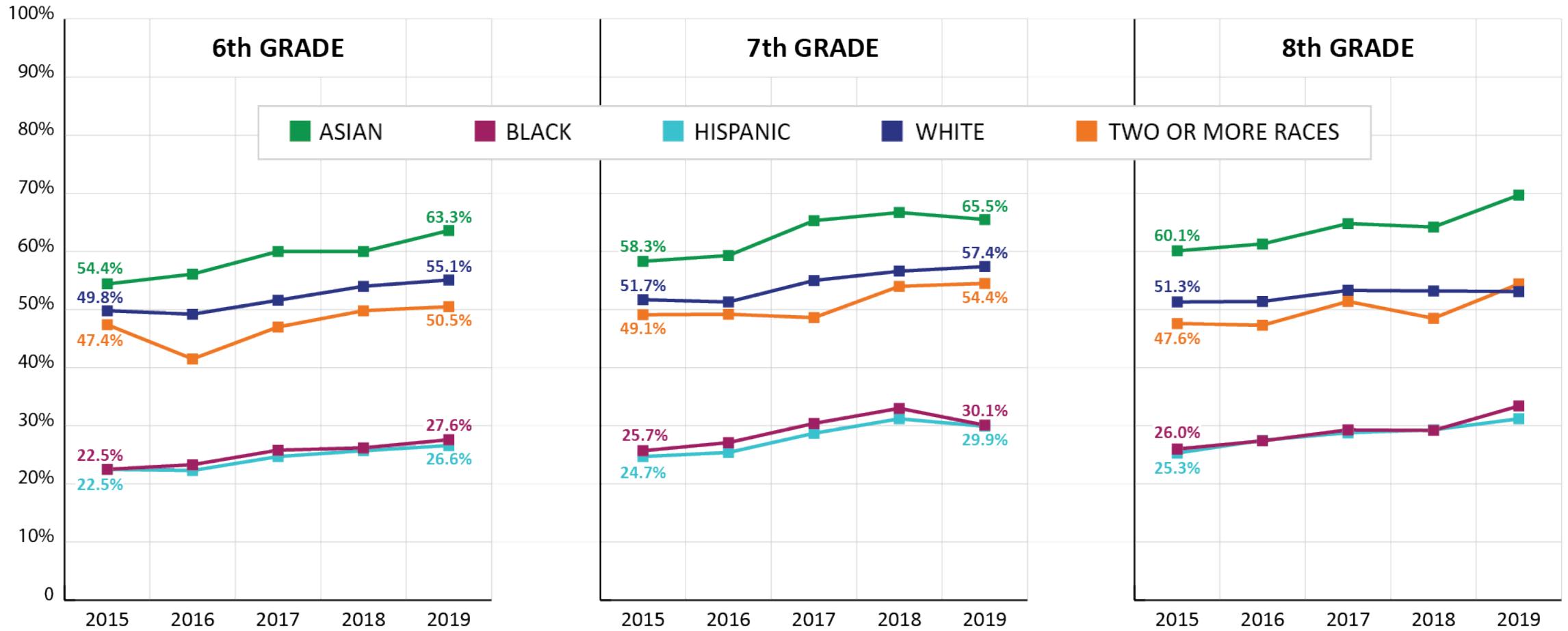
ALL MEANS ALL

- Building Capacity to Support Districts
- Expanding Professional Learning
- Building School Climate





CMAS English Language Arts – Grades 6-8 Percent Met/Exceeded Expectations by Race/Ethnicity



STRONG FOUNDATIONS

Support High Quality Early
Learning and Literacy for
All Students

GOAL:

By the end of third grade,
all students can read
at grade level.



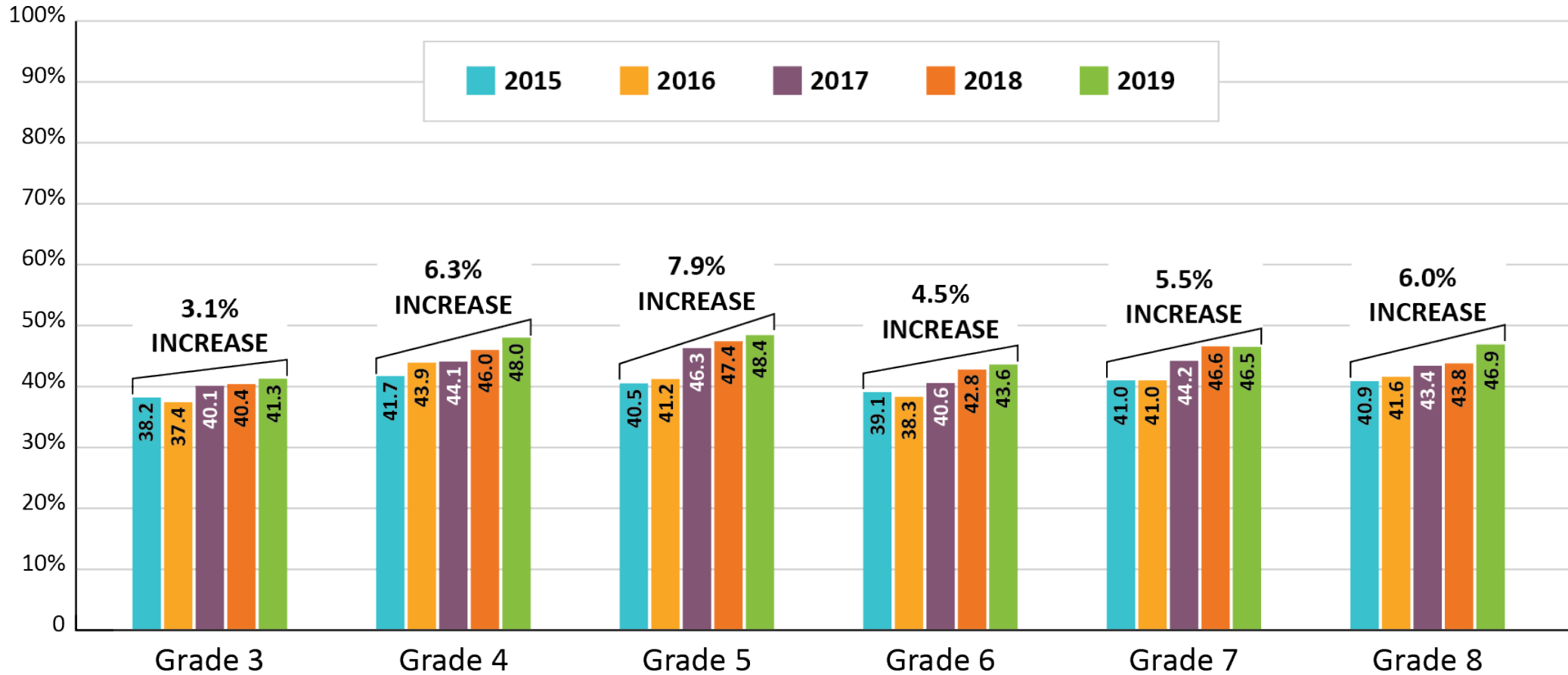
STRONG FOUNDATIONS

- Full-Day Kindergarten
- Updates to the READ Act
- Expanded Colorado
Preschool Program
- Dyslexia Working Group



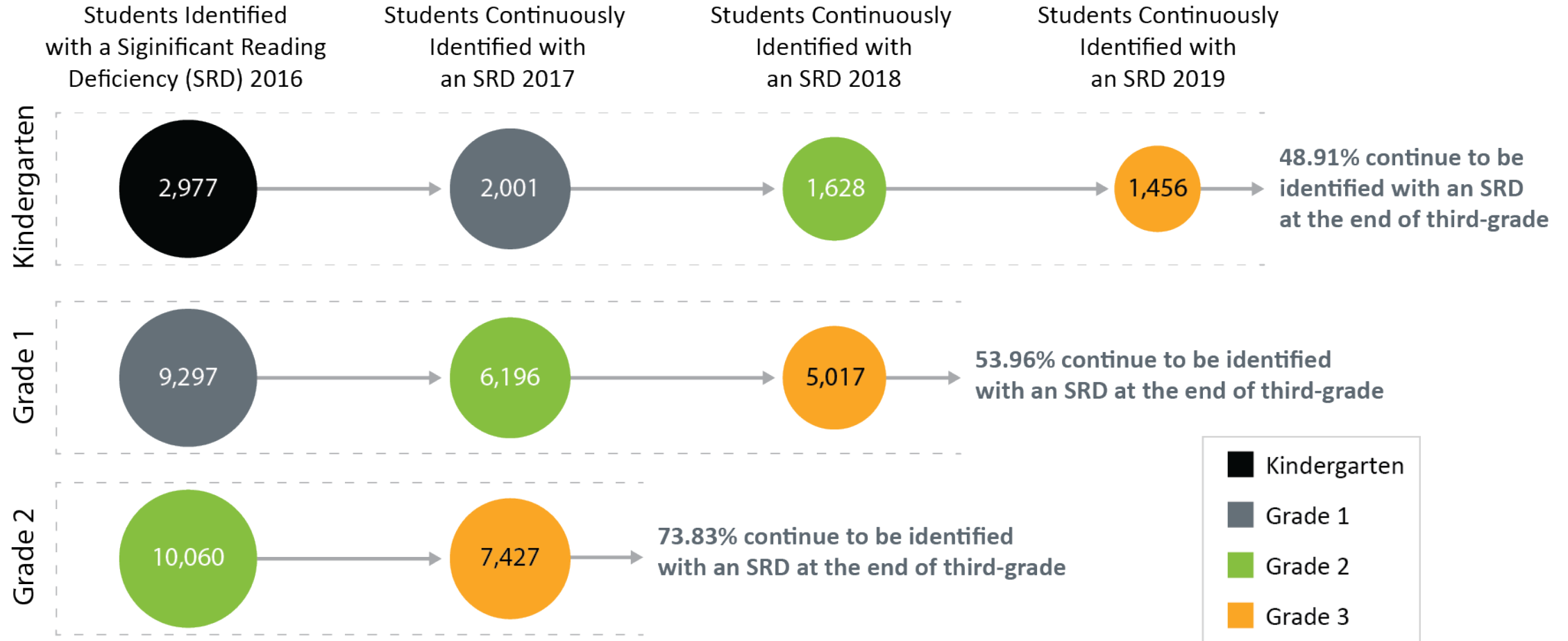


CMAS English Language Arts Met/Exceeded Expectations 2015-2019





Early Intervention Produces Results for Struggling Readers



QUALITY SCHOOLS

Prioritize and Maximize Support
for Districts Identified
for Academic Improvements

GOAL:

All students and families
have access to quality schools
that meet their students' needs.



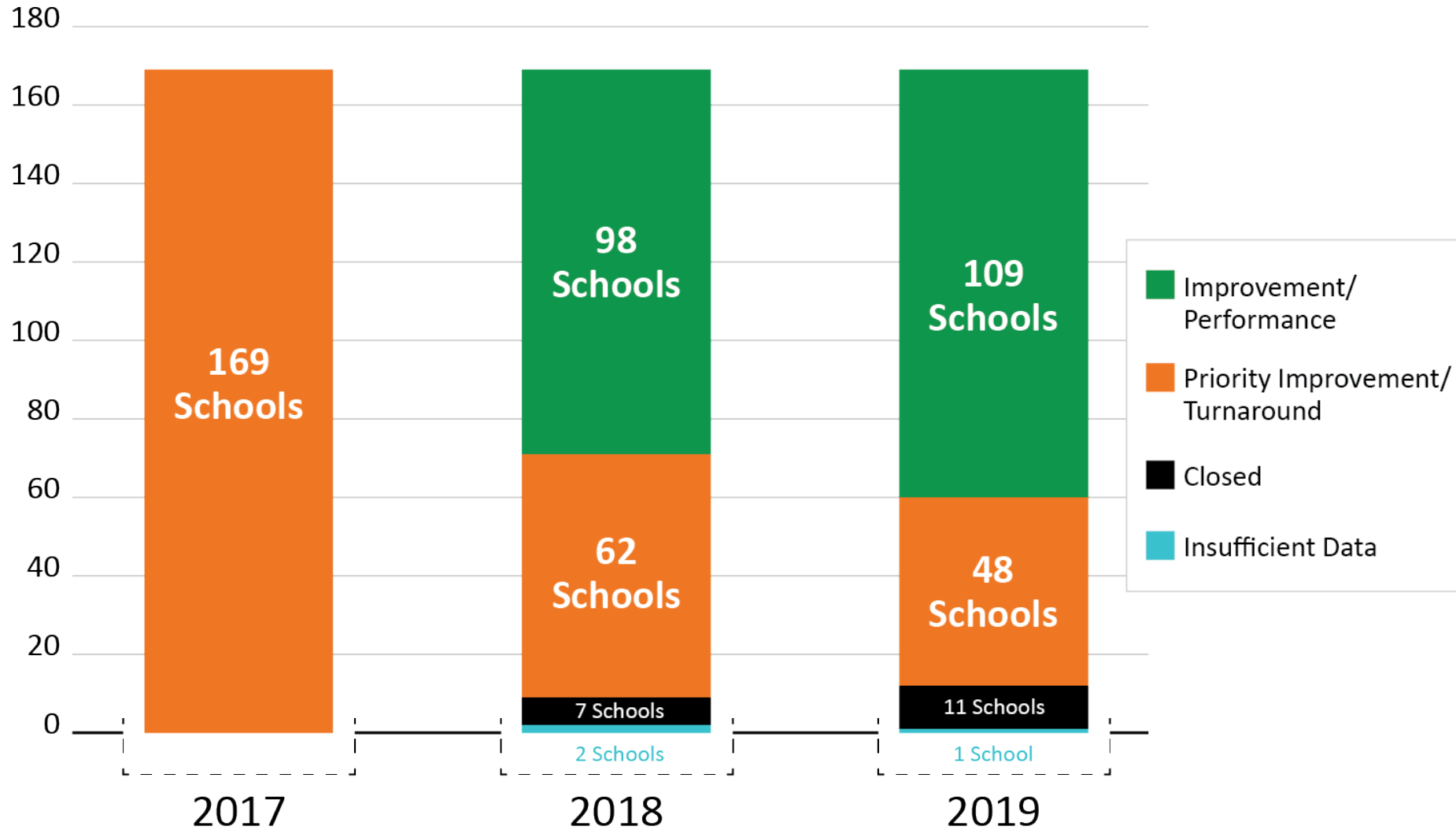
QUALITY SCHOOLS

- 109 Schools have come off the Accountability Clock
- Announced Grants for Local Accountability Pilot Program
- Adjusted Frameworks for Elementary and Middle Schools
- More Districts Accessed Resources for Improvement





Schools Moving Out of Priority Improvement/Turnaround





Accountability Clock from 2010 to 2019

DISTRICT NAME	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2016	2017	2018	2019
Adams County 14	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Aguilar Reorganized 6	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 8 on Watch
Westminster Public Schools	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7		
Montezuma-Cortez RE-1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		Year 1	Year 2
Ignacio 11 JT	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5		Year 1		
Julesburg Re-1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5				
Pueblo City 60	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5				
Sheridan 2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5			Year 1	
Vilas RE-5	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5					
Karval RE-23	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5			Year 1		
Rocky Ford R-2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4					
Mountain BOCES	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4						
Charter School Institute	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3						
Denver County 1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3						
Englewood 1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3				Year 1		
Center 26 JT	Year 2	Year 3							
Huerfano Re-1	Year 2	Year 3				Year 1			
Branson Reorganized 82	Year 1		Year 1						
De Beque 49JT	Year 1								
Fort Morgan Re-3	Year 1								
Lake County R-1	Year 1		Year 1	Year 2		Year 1			
Las Animas RE-1	Year 1								Year 1
Mountain Valley RE 1	Year 1								
South Conejos RE-10	Year 1						Year 1		

OFF CLOCK
 PRIORITY/IMPROVEMENT
 TURNAROUND



MORE OPTIONS

Expand High School Options to
Ensure All Students are Ready for
College and Living-Wage Jobs

GOAL:

Students graduate high school with
knowledge, skills, and experience
needed for college and
career success.



Photo: St. Vrain Valley Schools Innovation Center



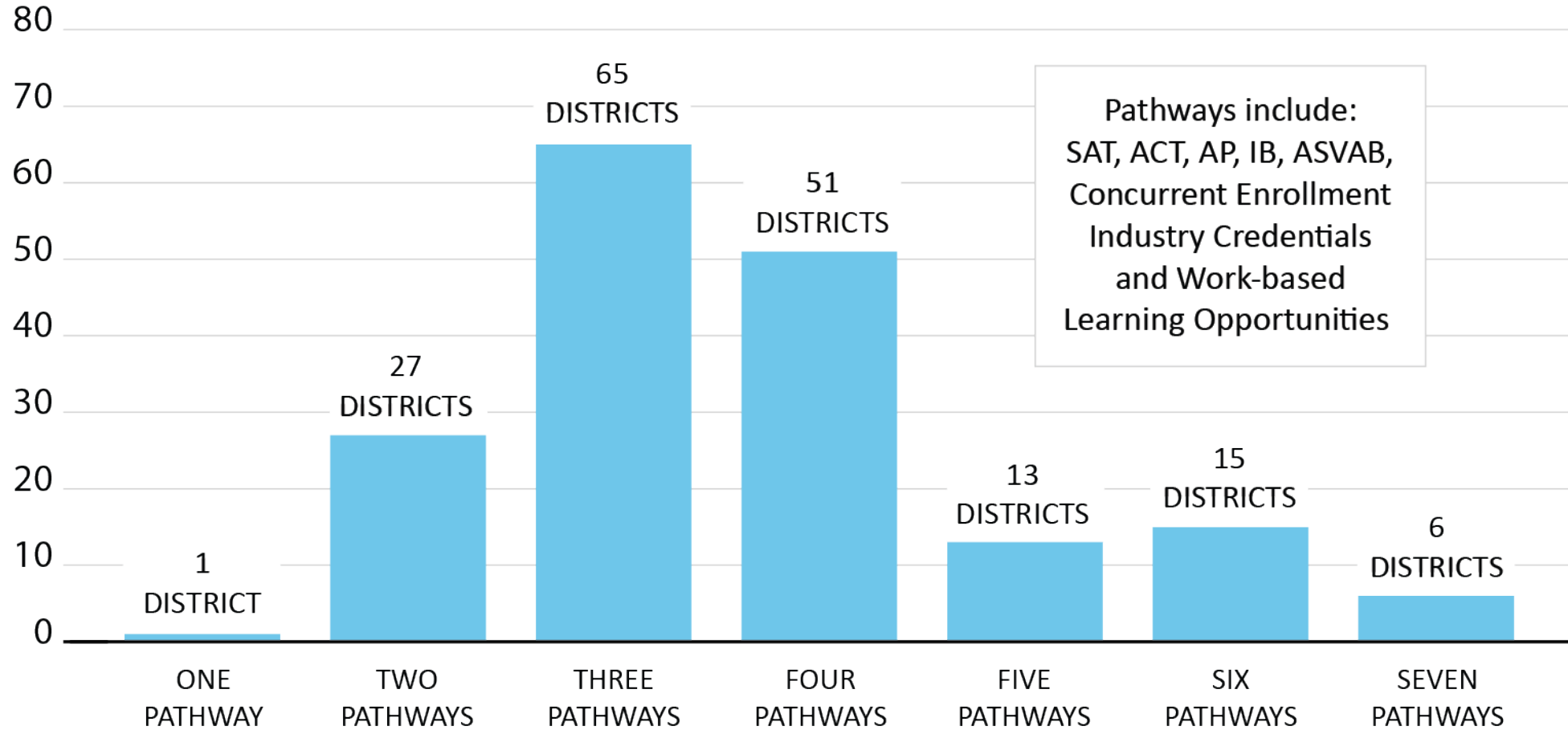
MORE OPTIONS

- Expansion of Concurrent Enrollment
- More Work-Based Learning Opportunities
- Implementing Graduation Guidelines





2017-19 Colorado School Districts Offering Multiple Pathways



EDUCATORS MATTER

Develop a Strong Pipeline of High-Quality Teachers and Principals and Provide Deeper Support for School and District Leaders

GOAL:

High quality educators in every classroom; strong leaders are in every building.



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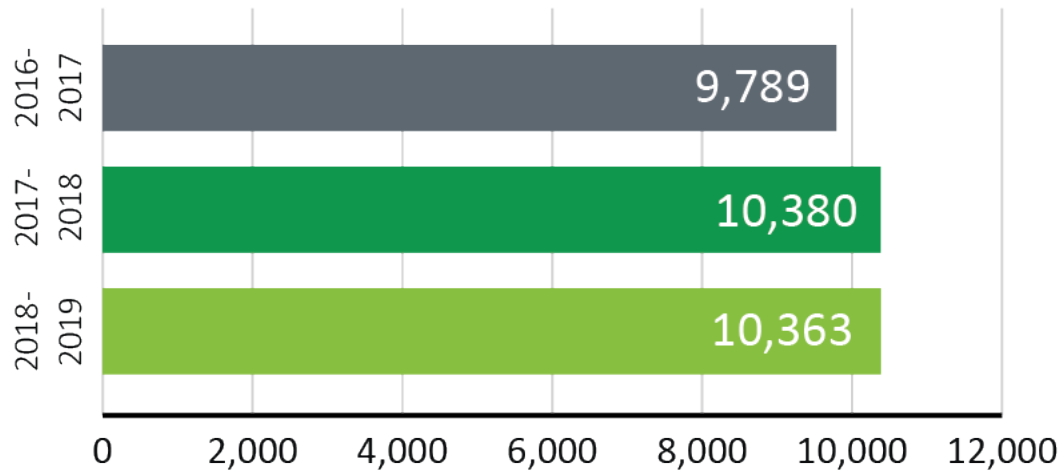
- Retaining Teachers Grant
- School Leadership Development Grant
- Flexibilities on Educator Effectiveness



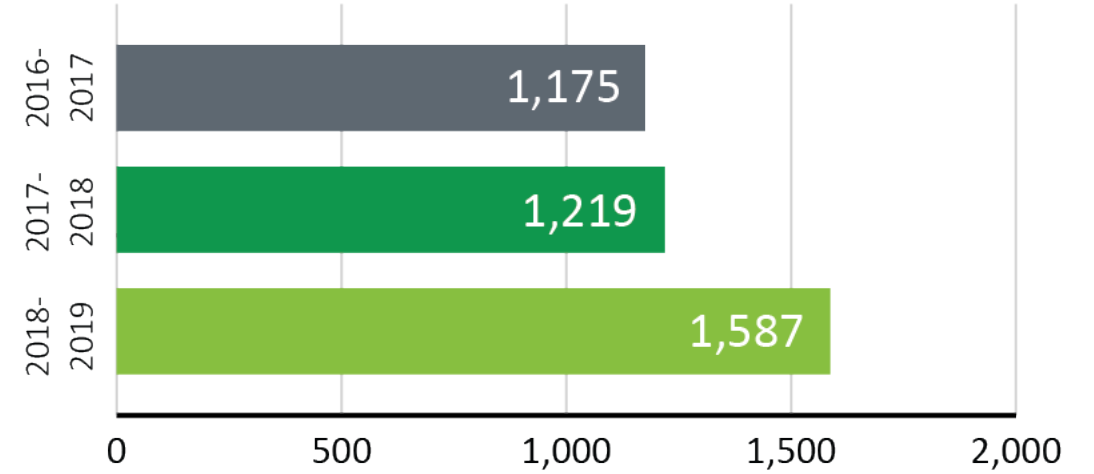


Future Teachers

Number of individuals who enrolled in an institute of higher education, educator preparation program in Colorado



Number of individuals who enrolled in an alternative licensing program in Colorado





ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Underpinning our success with each of our key initiatives is our commitment to excellence with each of our core programs and operations. By holding ourselves to the highest degree of excellence in customer service and performance, we effectively implement our key initiatives and accomplish our goals.





Financial Literacy Education

- Colorado Academic Standards include personal financial literacy
- Resources available for teaching personal finance
- Workshops to increase teacher knowledge of personal finance



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