



GOAL 5: HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) provided high school graduation data with the following notes from MDE Data Reports and Analytics:

- The adjusted cohort graduation rate model follows students in a group, or a "cohort," throughout high school and determines if they graduate within four, five, or six years.
- The "graduated" count is those who were officially reported as having graduated. "Continuing" are those students who were expected to have graduated but are taking additional time to complete graduation requirements. Students who officially dropped out are included in the "dropped out" count. The "unknown" category includes those students who entered the cohort, but it is unknown what happened to them because of insufficient district record keeping.
- This report is typically updated in February/March of each year. Graduation rates are released later in the year because Minnesota allows summer graduates to be included in the prior year graduation rate. For example, students who complete graduation requirements in summer of 2016 can be included in the 2016 rates.