

Road Map District Consortium Abbreviations & Glossary

Achievement Gap	The Road Map District Consortium uses the term <i>achievement gap</i> as the difference in performance between ESEA defined subgroups and the highest performing subgroup in the Consortium region as a whole on any given ESEA assessment in the baseline year of 2010-11 in Washington State. This “gap” is portrayed as the number of percentage points between the subgroup and the highest performing subgroup, or reference group.
ALE	Alternative Learning Experiences broadly defined as courses developed by a certificated teacher; on-line curricula or programs; parent partnership programs with significant participation by parents and families in the design and implementation of a student's learning experience; and contract based learning programs.
AMOs	Annual Measurable Objectives. AMOs are set for each ESEA student subgroup as per the Washington State ESEA flexibility waiver granted to the state in July 2012 for State Assessments, achievement gaps and graduation rates. AMOs are set to reduce the gaps in performance by half for all ESEA student subgroups by the 2016-17 school year. These targets are informed by the data provided by the 2010-11 school year as a baseline.
AP	Advanced Placement. A College Board program that offers college-level curriculum and examinations to obtain college credit.
Birth to 3rd Grade Action Plan	The Road Map Project’s strategic plan to ensure the region achieves the Road Map Project targets in kindergarten readiness and 3rd grade reading for all students.
Career Cruising	Innovative career exploration software suite full of useful, real-world career information.
ccInspire	A Career Cruising component that provides a tech platform for students, schools, and businesses, including employer profiles linked to career profiles, a database of work-based learning opportunities, and messaging tools to allow employers to communicate with students and educators.
ccSpark	A Career Cruising component. A digital game format that helps students learn about careers, life planning, and 21st Century Learning Skills that meets National Career Development Standards.
CCSS	Common Core State Standards. These standards define the knowledge and skills students should have, so that they will graduate high school able to succeed in entry-level, credit-bearing academic college courses and in workforce training programs.

College Board	A not-for-profit membership organization committed to excellence and equity in education whose goal is to connect students to college success and opportunity.
Deep Dives	Schools in very high-poverty settings that will benefit from strong community partnerships that support students 24/7 and throughout the year. These schools are identified in Section X.
DEL	The Department of Early Learning was created in 2006 to elevate the focus on the importance of a child's earliest years and integrate early learning efforts.
Dream Project	A successful college-access and retention program that links UW students with first-generation and low-income students in high schools. Assistance is provided for SAT prep, applications, applying for financial aid, and finding scholarships.
Dream Project Counselor Assistants	UW students who have completed two years as a Dream Project mentor and have a career interest in guidance counseling. They will support school counselors in developing individual student plans for attending college.
Early Warning Indicators	Tracking of attendance, discipline, and course failure to provide actionable data to school staff so that they can identify interventions and get students back on track. See Appendix (B)(5)(2) and (B)(5)(3) for supporting research.
ECEAP	Early Childhood Education Assistance Program, a comprehensive preschool program that provide free services and support to high-need children and their families.
Education Association	A labor union that represents public school teachers and other support personnel.
ELL	English Language Learner
ERDC	Washington State Education Research and Data Center, a P-20 longitudinal data system which was made possible by a federal ARRA investment. This system will be fully operational in 2013 and follows the linkage of student related data starting with early learning and going through higher education and employment.
ERN	The Road Map Education Results Network is a large network of over 1,000 stakeholders who receive regular email updates, and is open to anyone interested in improving educational outcomes in our region. The group meets several times a year to learn about Road Map efforts, provide

	feedback on key elements of the work, and identify opportunities for deeper involvement.
FRPL	Free & Reduced Price Lunch
Head Start	Head Start is a federal program that promotes the school readiness of children ages birth to five from low-income families by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development.
High School & Beyond Plan	A Washington State Graduation policy aimed at personalizing education and course-taking.
High School to College Completion Action Plan	The Road Map Projects strategic plan to support high school graduation and successful completion of a postsecondary degree.
High-need	The Road Map District Consortium defines high-need students as those who qualify for Free & Reduced Price Lunch (FRPL).
IB	International Baccalaureate. An international curriculum for students that provides a qualification for entry into higher education.
Intensive School and Community Partnerships	Targeted efforts for low-performing, high-need elementary schools to create 24/7 community learning systems and dramatic academic improvements through coordinated school/community partnerships, family engagement, targeted language instruction, and personalized service referrals. Our initial focus is on two Intensive School and Community Partnership Projects: the Kent East Hill Partnership and the White Center Partnership.
KCHA	King County Housing Authority. Through partnerships with local communities and nonprofit organizations, KCHA delivers affordable housing and related supportive services such as education, job training, and social services to more than 43,000 local residents who earn less than the county median income.
KYFS	Kent Youth and Family Services. KYFS provides professional counseling, education, and support services to children, youth and their families in our community, developing innovative programs that meet the evolving challenges of its diverse community in culturally sensitive ways. KYFS's goal is to empower youth and their families to meet their needs while being committed and responsible to the citizens of the Kent and Covington communities.
NGSS	The Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) are a set of science education standards being developed based on a vision for science education established by the Framework for K-12 Science Education

	published by the National Research Council in 2011.
OSPI	The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction is the primary agency charges with overseeing K-12 public education in Washington State.
PIQE	Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) creates partnerships between parents, students and educators to further students' academic success.
PLC	Professional Learning Communities are teams of teachers who work together.
PSAT/NMSQT®	A standardized test offered by the College Board that provides firsthand practice for the SAT®. It also gives students a chance to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) scholarship programs and gain access to college and career planning tools.
PSESD	Puget Sound Educational Service District
Puget Sound Caucus	Comprised of the region's community college presidents, the University of Washington's Dean of the School of Education, and the region's K-12 superintendents. They work together on improving the intersection from K-12 to higher education and have an aligned work plan with the Road Map Project.
Read to Succeed	KCHA's Kent East Hill education initiative.
Read to Succeed Kindergarten Academy	An after-school class that supports literacy and enrichment activities for kindergartners in KCHA housing.
ReadiStep™	College Board's a college and career planning tool for students.
RFP	Request for Proposal
RFQ	Request for Quotation
Road Map District Consortium	The name given to the Consortium of the 7 member districts(Auburn School District, Federal Way Public Schools, Highline Public Schools, Kent School District, Renton School District, Seattle Public Schools, Tukwila School District) and the Lead LEA Puget Sound Educational Service District.
Road Map Project	A cradle to college and career collective impact initiative with the goal to double the number of young people from South Seattle and South King County who are on track to earn a college degree or a career credential

	and to close achievement gaps, by 2020.
Road Map Project Goal	To double the number of students in South King County and South Seattle who are on track to graduate from college or earn a career credential by 2020 and to close the unacceptable achievement gaps for low-income students and children of color.
Road Map Project Target Setting Methodology	Uses a 2009-2010 baseline (or more recent year, if data was not available for 2009-2010) and a 2020 Goal. The 2020 Goals are fixed at the performance level of the top 10 districts in the State of Washington during the 2009-10 baseline year, which were selected on the basis of the postsecondary success of their high school students. Annual targets were set using a compounding growth model, in which the rate of improvement increases over time.
Road Map Project Work Groups	The Road Map Project has many volunteer Work Groups and committees that help steer the direction. The Work Groups have different areas of focus, but are responsible for identifying the actions that must be pursued to reach our goal. Those serving on the Work Groups are familiar with the area of focus and work across sectors.
Road Map Region	The geographic area that the Road Map District Consortium serves.
SAT®	College admission test offered by the College Board.
SBE	Washington State Board of Education. The purpose of the Washington SBE is to provide advocacy and strategic oversight of public education; implement a standards-based accountability system to improve student academic achievement; provide leadership in the creation of a system that personalizes education for each student and respects diverse cultures, abilities, and learning styles; and promote achievement of the Basic Education Act goals of RCW 28A.150.210.
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
TAF Academy	The TAF Academies are 6th-12th grade project-based, STEM-focused partner schools—formed in partnership with public school districts—that prepare students for college and careers.
Technology Access Foundation (TAF)	TAF is a nonprofit leader in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education that addresses three problems that keep students of color away from STEM: low expectations, a shortage of role models in STEM and lack of access to a quality, STEM-focused education. TAF partners with public education, businesses and the community to engage students in the real world of STEM.

Thrive By Five	Created in 2006, Thrive by Five Washington is the State's nonprofit public-private partnership for early learning created to mobilize the long-term statewide commitment to early learning, so that families and caregivers have the information and support they need to help their children succeed in school and thrive in life.
TOSA	Teacher on Special Assignment
TPEP	Washington State Teacher and Principal Evaluation Project
UW	University of Washington
WaKIDS	Washington Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills, used to help ensure children in Washington State get a great start in kindergarten.