



# ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## Arizona Post School Outcomes Fact Sheet

### **What is the Post School Outcomes (PSO) Survey?**

Indicator 14 of the Annual Performance Report (APR) requires that public schools must collect, and the Arizona Department of Education Exceptional Student Services (ADE/ESS) must report, the percent of youths who are no longer in secondary school, who had IEPs in effect at the time of exiting school, and were enrolled in postsecondary education or training or employed within one year of leaving high school.

### **Why is this collection required?**

- Federal and public reporting provisions
- District and charter school improvement initiatives
- Successful transition to adulthood for all students with special needs

### **Who collects this data?**

Any secondary school that serves students eligible for special education is required to participate. ADE/ESS must ensure that data is collected from designated public education agencies (PEAs) each year. All designated school districts or charters are responsible for their data collection procedures, including assigning staff to conduct the survey.

### **Who gets interviewed?**

Students who were eligible for special education services and that dropped out, graduated, or aged out during the prior school year are qualified to participate in the PSO Survey. Eligible former student names, contact information, demographic information, and the online survey are available on the secure PSO application located within the ESS Portal of the ADEConnect site. It is expected that the PSO Survey will be administered to all students from the PEA who are identified as being eligible to participate.

### **When is the data collected?**

The data is collected by schools' administering the PSO Survey between June 1 and September 30 the year following the students leaving school.

### **What performance level is required to meet compliance?**

- Along with input from stakeholders, ADE/ESS sets targets based on baseline performance.
- Targets must be measurable and rigorous.
- PEAs are expected to meet State target goals.

### **Resources Available:**

The PSO Survey questions, training materials, and other resources are available on our [PSO Webpage](#).

### **Contact Information:**

[Email the ADE/ESS Secondary Transition Team](#) for assistance.