

Update on the Work of the Joint Task Force on Basic Education Finance

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School Construction Funding**

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Meetings

September 10, 2007
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March 24, 2008
April 14, 2008
May 6, 2008
June 9-10, 2008
July 7-8, 2008
August 6, 2008
September 15-16, 2008
October 14-15, 2008
November 17-18, 2008

Due date: December 1, 2008

Legislative Direction

✓ Legislative Direction to Task Force

Review definition of basic education and develop new funding formulas.

*“The funding structure should reflect the most effective instructional strategies and service delivery models and be based on **research-proven** education programs and activities with demonstrated **cost benefits**. ... The funding structure should be linked to accountability for **student outcomes** and performance.”*

✓ Legislative Direction to WSIPP

*“...include a **projection of the expected effect** of the investment made under the new funding structure.”*

Topics Under Consideration by the Task Force

Graduate degrees

Experience

In-subject degrees

Comparable wages

**Regional cost-of-living
adjustments**

**Differential pay for high-
demand skills**

**Pay for performance,
knowledge, & skills**

**Salary versus per-pupil
allocation models**

Professional development

Class size

School year length

School day length

Capital facilities/student outcomes

Summer school

All day kindergarten

**Extra funding for low-income
students**

Early learning

Health and safety requirements

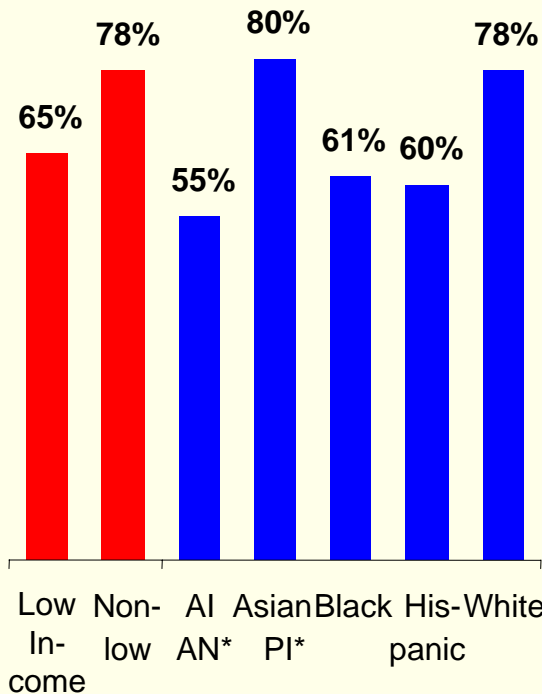
Non-employee related costs

Career and technical education

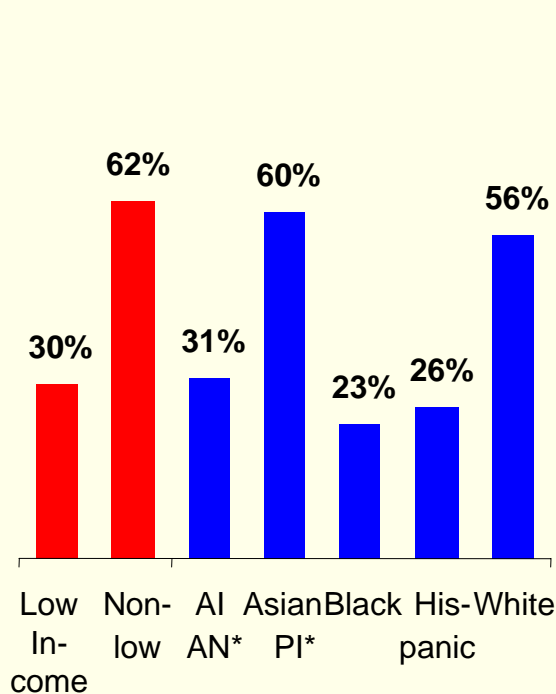
Student Outcomes: Graduation and WASL

High School Graduation & WASL "Met-Standard" Rates (by Income Level and Ethnicity)

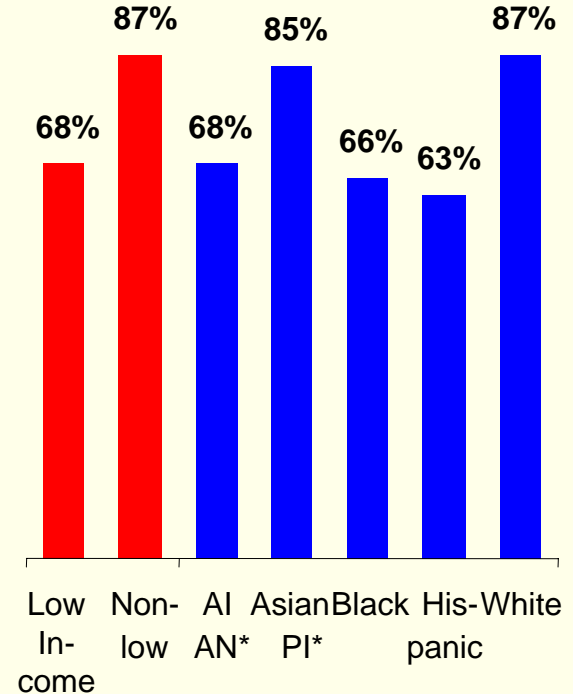
2005 High School Graduation Rates



2007 Math WASL "Met-Standard" Rates



2007 Reading WASL "Met-Standard" Rates



* PI, AI, and AN are OSPI ethnic groupings for Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and Alaskan Natives. Source: OSPI.