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The Association for Learning Environments

The Power of ALL: Sparking Inclusive Schools for Students with

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Two Main Laws that Govern Special Education Programming

The Individuals with

Disabilities Education Act-'04 (IDEA-'04)

- Two Prongs of Eligibility
- Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- Specially Designed Instruction
- Ends at graduation or 21 years of age

Section 504 of the American Disabilities Act

- Impairment with substantial impact on educational success
- 504 Plan
- Accommodations
- Can continue into college, work

GCS Students Served Under Section 504 of the ADA

Elementary = 782

Middle = 821

High = 1326

Total = 2,929

Primary Impairments:

• ADHD	60%
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Anxiety8%

Learning Disorders/Disabilities 4%

• Autism 3%

• Diabetes 3%

Hearing Loss
 3%

Vision Impairment, allergies, depression, & epilepsy all are at 1%

Most Common Accommodations on 504 plans

Testing Accommodations

•	Small Group	30%

 Preferential Seating 	28%
Treferential Seating	20/0

 Extended Breaks 	15%
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- Oral Administration
 3%
- Paper/pencil administration
 3%

Classroom Accommodations: redirection to task, preferential seating, extended time on assignments

Primary Disability	2022-23 Total Number (Oct 22 Count)	2022-23 Students in Gen Ed 80% or more (Oct 22 Count)	2022-23% in Gen Ed 80% or more of the day (Oct 22 Count)
Learning Disability	5,444	4,217	77%
Speech & Language	1,985	1,686	85%
Other Health Impairment	1,475	983	67%
Autism	1,417	441	31%
Developmental Delay	911	372	41%
Multiple Disabilities	342	102	30%
Emotional Disabilities	223	94	42 %
Intellectual Disabilities (mild)	214	10	3 %
Intellectual Disability (moderate)	105	1	0.05%
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	53	35	66%
Orthopedic Impairment	28	15	54%
Visual Impairments	27	21	78%
Intellectual Disability (severe)	13	0	0%
Traumatic Brain Injury	20	7	0.35%
Deaf-blind	7	0	0%
Total	12,264	7,984	65%

Where do GCS' Students with Disabilities Spend the Majority of Their Days?

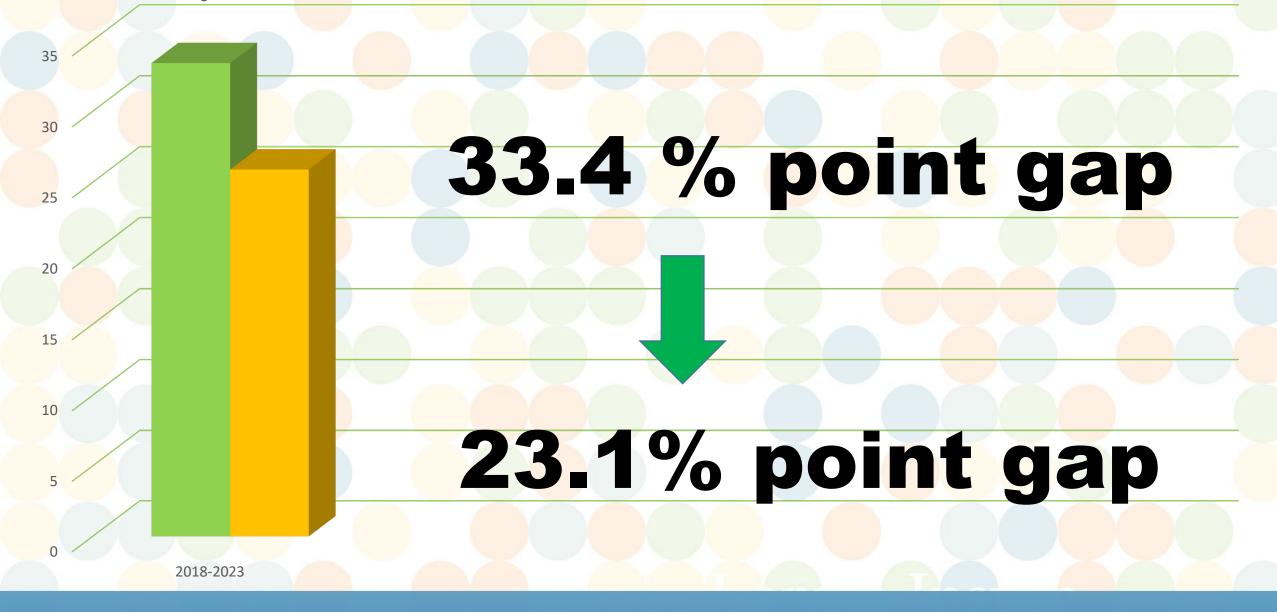
<40% of day in Gen Ed	40-79% of the Day in	80%+ of the Day in Gen
	Gen Ed	Ed
1,918 16%	1,388 11%	7,984 65%

*Preschool, Separate School, PPPSC, Homebound/homebased, RTF, Correctional Facilities-8%

What does #SharedOwnership mean?

- All students are gen ed students first.
- The majority of our SWD spend the majority of their time in general education.
- Special education is a SERVICE, not a place or program.
- Systematic, long-term SUSTAINABLE planning is key to support effective implementation.
- Strategies that support SWD support ALL students.

Gap Between GCS Total Grad Rate & Grad Rate for SWD



College or Career Ready Results for Students with Disabilities

	CCR_PCT	CCR_PCT	Growth
	SWD	SWD	SWD
	College or	College or	
	Career	Career	
	Ready 2021	Ready 2022	
Greenville County	24.6	43.2	+ 18.6
Schools			
State of South Carolina	22.1	30.5	+8.4



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