



## MSDE Public Website of State Performance Plan Results

### State Results Special Education

Maryland: Indicator 15

General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification.

### Results

	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
State Baseline:	90%	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Target:	-	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
State Results:	-	31%	84.05%	-	-	-	-
State Total # of Findings Corrected Within One Year::	-	-	195	-	-	-	-
State Indicator Measurement # of Findings of Noncompliance:	-	-	232	-	-	-	-

### Narrative Description of Indicator

In FFY 2005 MSDE reported its rate of correction as 31%. In this FFY 2006 APR, MSDE's rate of correction is 84.05%. An additional 30 findings were corrected prior to the date of the submission of the FFY 2006 SPP/APR on February 1, 2008. Of the seven outstanding findings of noncompliance, six are in one local school system under a court ordered consent decree. In the FFY 2005 APR, MSDE reported systemic data information. In FFY 2006, additional dispute resolution data was added. MSDE's data supports improvements to its system of general supervision. The MSDE has: an updated monitoring manual, mechanisms to coordinate monitoring practices and review data for accuracy; alternatives to on-site monitoring visits through the use of state level data reviews, desk audits and phone conferences to review policies and procedures and other source material; improved alignment of grant funds with areas in need of improvement; and technical assistance and monitoring practices to include enforcement actions.

One local school system did not correct 21 findings of noncompliance within the required timelines. This number represents more than half of the findings not corrected within the required timelines in the State. As a result, MSDE increased oversight that includes increased frequency of onsite meetings and contacts with school system staff to review status and provide technical assistance to ensure timely correction. As of the date of this report, all findings of noncompliance in this public agency due in this reporting period have been corrected. Preliminary data for the next reporting period indicates the public agency demonstrates substantial improvement in the rate of correction within required timelines.

The local school system under a court ordered consent decree made progress during the reporting year. Of MSDE's 11 systemic findings of noncompliance in this reporting period, the school system corrected three systemic findings within required timelines and two additional by December 30, 2007. Six findings of noncompliance remain uncorrected as compared with nine uncorrected findings reported in the FFY 2005 APR. Of 93 individual and school level findings, the school system corrected 100% within required timelines. The MSDE staff continues to provide intensive technical assistance and monitor the status of correction for the remaining areas of uncorrected noncompliance.

Of the two remaining findings of noncompliance that had not been corrected in other public agencies, one school based action has been closed since December 31, 2007 and one systemic action remains uncorrected. This system is under increased oversight and technical assistance in order to ensure correction as soon as possible.