Washington State
Education Research & Data Center

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Background

RCW 43.41.400: established an “education data center” in OFM. ERDC shall, jointly with the Legislative Evaluation and Accountability Program (LEAP) committee:

- Conduct collaborative analyses of early learning, K-12, and higher education programs across the P-20 sectors
- Compile and analyze education data, disaggregated by demographics
- Collaborate with LEAP and legislative committees to identify data to be analyzed to ensure legislative interests are served
- Track enrollment and outcomes through the Public Higher Education Enrollment System (PCHEES)
- Assist in developing long-range enrollment plan for higher ed
- Provide research that focuses on student transitions in early learning, K-12, and postsecondary education
- Make data available to agencies that contribute to ERDC, to extent allowed
Partnerships

- Department of Early Learning (DEL)
- Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)
- State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC)
- Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB)
- Workforce Board
- Public baccalaureate institutions
- Professional Educators Standards Board
- State Board of Education
- Employment Security Department (ESD)
- Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)
Partnerships

(These agencies) shall work with the education data center to develop data-sharing and research agreements, consistent with applicable security and confidentiality requirements, to facilitate the work of the center.
ERDC: Data Spanning the Sectors

**K – 12**
- Race – Ethnicity
- Income (Free/Reduced-Price Lunch)
- English Language Learner
- Learning Assistance Program
- Geography
- WASL
- Graduation

**Postsecondary**
- Enrollment
- Transfer
- Certificates/Degrees
- Remedial Course-taking
- Financial Aid
- Field of Study

**Workforce**
- Employment Earnings

Existing link
Link forthcoming
Possibilities: Data Spanning the Sectors

Current → Potential

- Early Learning
  - ECEAP (Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program)
  - Child care subsidies

- Social Services
  - TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
  - Basic Food
  - Foster care
  - Medicaid

- K–12
  - Graduation
  - ELL (English Language Learners)
  - WASL (Washington Assessment of Student Learning)
  - Income (more)

- Postsecondary
  - WA Public 4-Year and 2-Year Colleges
  - Apprenticeships
  - National Clearinghouse

- Workforce
  - Employment
  - Earnings

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