

# REPORT TO THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Class of 2016
Graduation Rate
Dropout Rate

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### What is a "Cohort"?

#### □ Graduation Cohort

- A group of students who begin as first-time ninth graders in a particular school year
  - Adjusted by student transfers or death

#### □ Drop-out Cohort

 Students who terminate formal education during high school

#### Class of 2016 Cohort

First-time 9<sup>th</sup> graders in 2012 - 2013





#### **Graduation Rate**

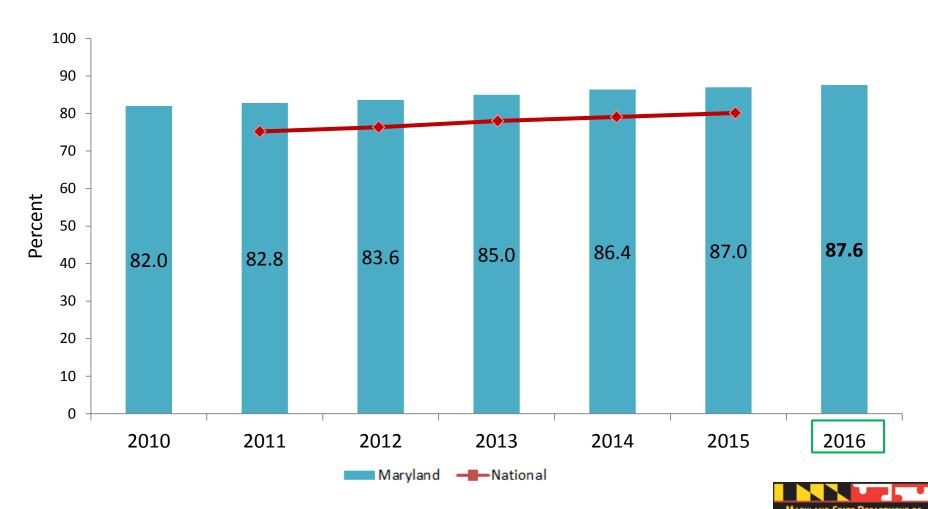
- Graduation rates improved statewide for the Class of 2016 compared with Class of 2015.
- Graduation rates increased between 2015 and 2016 for 10 LEAs.
- Maryland continues to perform above the national average.

### **Dropout Rate**

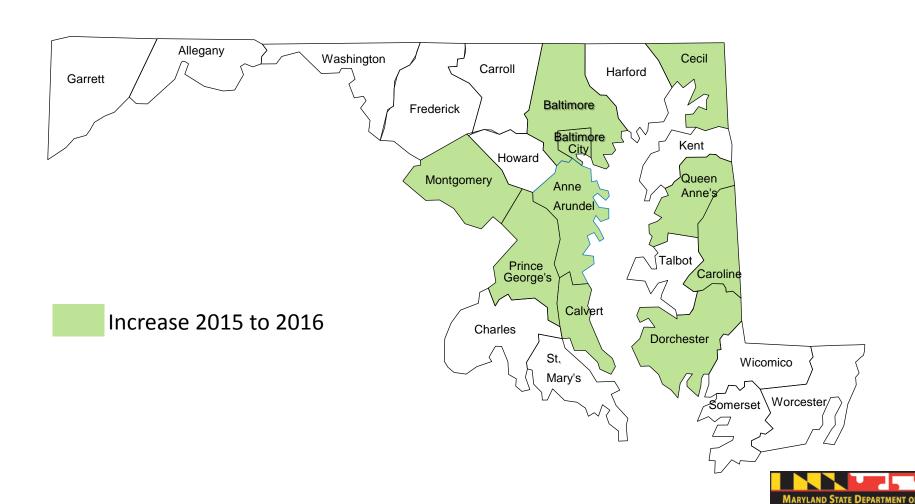
Maryland's dropout rate is at an all-time low



## An Increasing Percentage of Students Graduate On Time Each Year

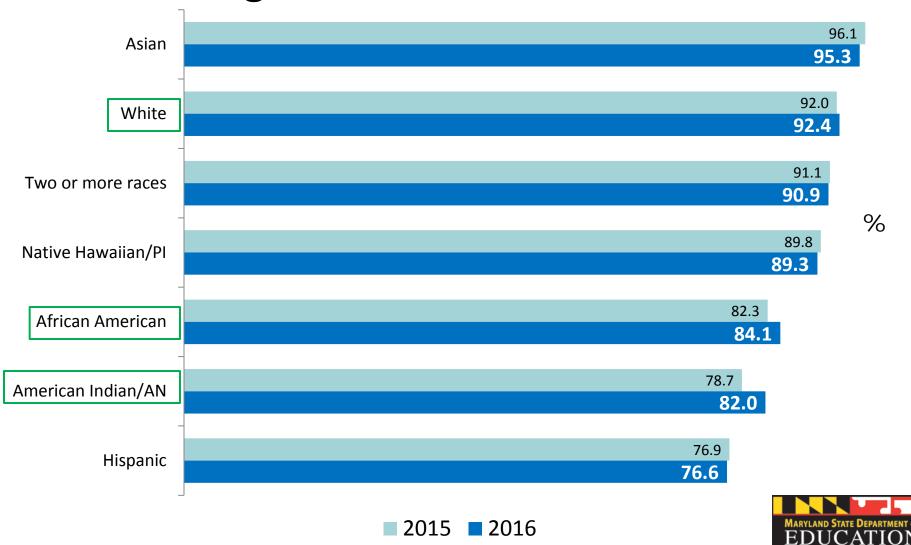


## The 4-Year Cohort Graduation Rate Increased In 10 LEAs



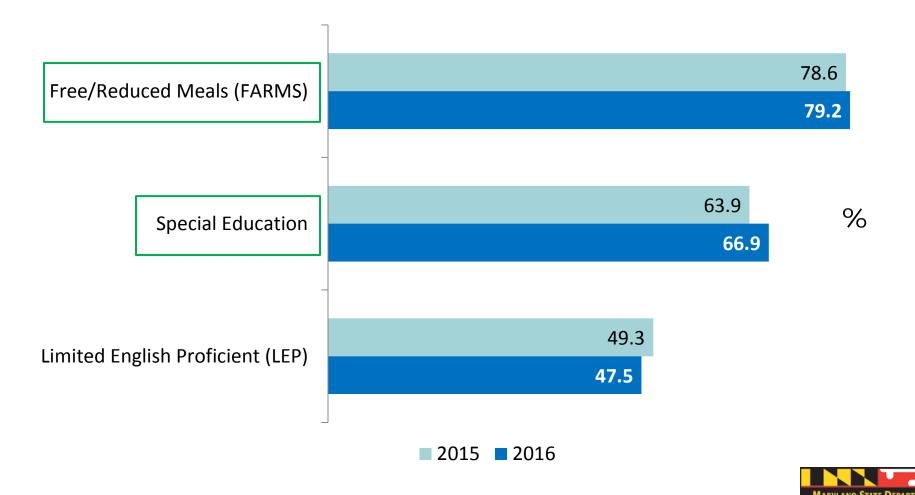
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# Cohort Graduation Rate Improved in 3 of 7 Racial Categories

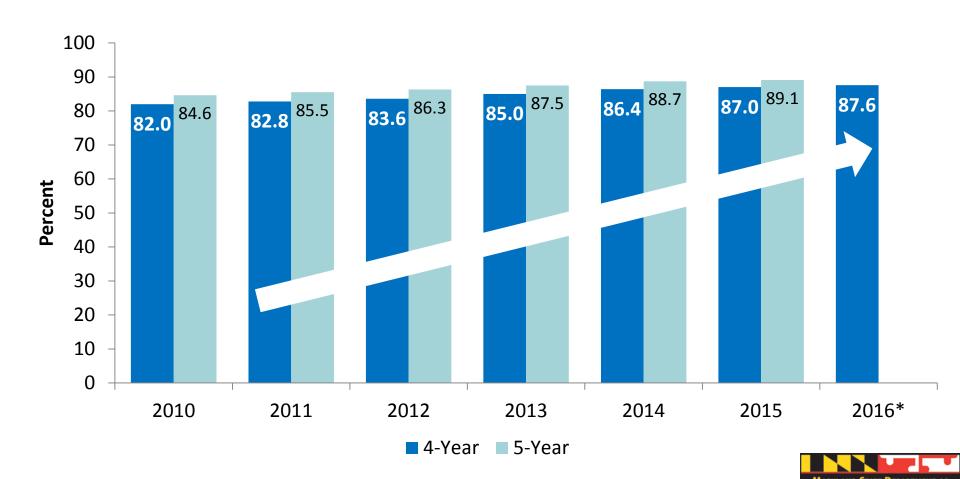


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## Cohort Graduation Rate Improved for Free and Reduced Meal and Special Education Students

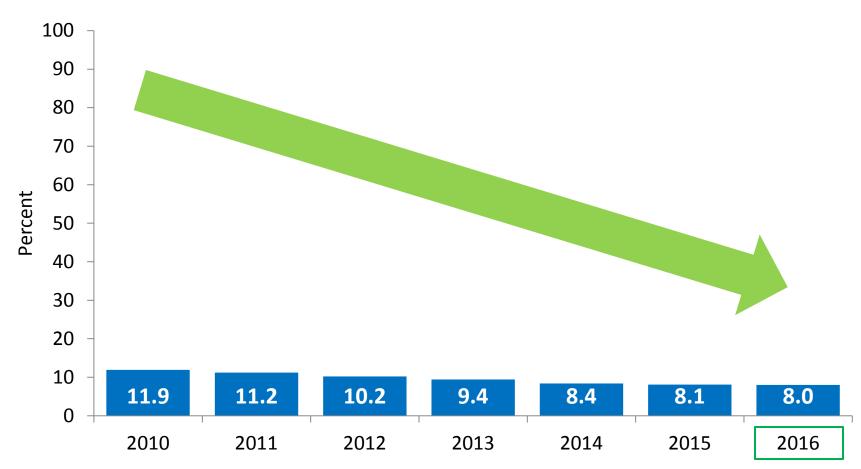


### 4-Year vs. 5-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rates



<sup>\* 2016 5-</sup>Year Cohort Graduation Rate Available Fall of 2017

# Maryland's Dropout Rate Has Been Declining and is at an All-Time Low





### **THANK YOU**

