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District graduation rates rise again

More than two percent jump in those graduating in four and five years

It takes the state a year to calculate a number that districts around the state eagerly await each spring –statistics for last year's graduating class.

For Everett Public Schools, a decade's worth of work toward the goal of 100 percent graduation is continuing to pay off.

More than eight out of ten (84.4 percent) of the students in the class of 2013 graduated in four years, which the U.S. Department of Education considers on time.

Those who extended their high school experience to five years increased the district's graduation rate to an impressive 88.5 percent. The Department of Education calls this the *five-year graduation rate*.

"In each case, the graduation rates for both classes of students are more than two and a half percent higher than it was the previous year, and this is on top of a healthy increase the year before. Quality instruction, personalized intervention and strong community support are critical to producing these impressive individual student achievements," noted Superintendent Gary Cohn when the results were announced.

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	2011	2012	2013	(from 2012 to 13)
Four-year graduation rate (students who graduated in four years)	82.4%	81.8%	84.4%	2.6%
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	2010	2011	2012	Increase (from 2011 to 12)
Five-year graduation rate (students who graduated in five years)	84.2%	85.8%	88.5%	2.7%

Some district history of graduation improvement rate success and work

- 2013, <u>Free PSAT for all juniors</u>
- 2012, <u>AVID graduate</u> success
- 2012, <u>Foundation is</u> graduation success partner
- 2012, <u>Special education</u> <u>earns graduation grant</u>
- 2012, <u>FAFSA helps</u> graduation rates
- 2012, <u>JHS in nation's</u> top 5%
- 2012, <u>\$250,000 grant for AVID</u>
- 2012, Starting early
- 2011, <u>District earns award</u> for graduation success
- 2011, <u>District on AP</u> Honor Role
- 2010, <u>Graduation rate</u> jumps
- 2010, <u>Campus visits</u> inspire college goals
- 2009, <u>AP classes and scores increase</u>
- 2009, <u>JHS principal</u> <u>honored for grad rates</u>
- 2009, EHS holds College Day
- 2008, "Most Effective
 Administrator" for
 improved graduation rates