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FSM JEMCO Education Indicators

Indicators of Educational Progress (as revised in February, 2007)

- 1. Number of schools by grade level (i.e., elementary and secondary schools)
- 2. Number of schools by size (i.e., enrollment under 50, 51-100, 101-200, 201-300, 301-500, 501-1000, and over 1000)
- 3. Number of schools operating half-day sessions
- 4. Average teacher attendance rate by grade level (elementary and secondary)
- 5. Number & percent of staff by education level (i.e., high school diploma, AA/AS, BA/BS, etc.)
- 6. Number of teachers/staff by grade level
- 7. Student-to-teacher ratio (private and public)
- 8. Base populations by school age groups (i.e., total no. of 4-5 yr. olds, 6-13 yr. olds, 14-18, 19-22 yr olds)
- 9. Percent of base school-age population in school by age groups (% of 4-5 yr. olds, 6-13 yr. olds, 14-18 yr. olds actually enrolled)
- 10. Student enrollment by grade level and gender
- 11. Average daily student attendance rate by grade level and gender
- 12. Drop-out rate by grade level and gender (use beginning and ending enrollment)
- 13. Number and percent of students achieving "Proficiency" level & above, at selected grade levels for standardized tests (e.g., SAT) or criterion-referenced tests (e.g., locally developed tests)
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•Must be reported by July 31 each year

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A. Introduction

This year's submission of the JEMCO 20 Education Indicators Report for 2010 as required under the Compact of Free Association, as amended (PL 108-188), is still hampered by several key factors that affected our abilities to meet our deadline on this fifth annual report. This report covers issues on enrollment, attendance, test assessment and simple trends in these areas. Clearly, this fifth submission indicates areas still needing improvements and modification with our data collection efforts at all levels and improvements needed within our school activities to improve students' and teachers' performance.

The collected data thus far shows insignificant changes in performance skill levels in the content areas with still high level of non-proficient group, persistent poor level of teacher attendance coupled with teachers without teaching credentials and a disturbing 22% decline in enrollments between 2008 and 2010. There is however a slight increase of teachers earning AA/AS degree compares with last year report, but a slight decrease of number of teachers by 7% compares with last year.

Unfortunately, the NDOE does not have the ready explanation as to all of the statuses under the required Indicators, although some of the indicators were revised presumably to modify and simplify how they are reported from the local delivery agencies. The following part reflects the NDOE's general assessment of each condition based on submitted reports and few site visits and meetings conducted during the fiscal period at the states' and national levels.

Reporting Issues

We still experienced this year problems with data accuracy, consistency, credibility and submission. Compared with last year's submission, this year's efforts seemed to have dropped slightly with issues or factors, most of which are attributed to largely by human factors, compounded by the serious lack of effective communication means and transportation in the nation.

1. Different Data Management Application

The four (4) states' Departments of Education still showing difficulties in using the PEDMS and FSMEIMS data collection and conversion methods concurrently, despite some efforts and TA provided to their data specialists. Accordingly, the technological aspect in the data collection, requiring computer technology and application still pose as problematic area in the reporting systems. NDOE has sent its ICT technician on 12 month training at PREL to acquire the skill and shares it with the other data specialists.

2. Consistency and timely submission of data

These recommendations were made in last year's report as possible remedies to our setbacks in the reporting of the JEMCO 20 Indicators:

- Incorporate grant conditions into the states' Education Sector grant which may lead to the withholding of state's sector grant allotment should the practices of late submission continues;
- Replacement of data specialists at the states;
- Take the issue up to the states higher up leadership; and,
- Recommend to the Congress to mandate stricter sanctions for defiant state.
- Other measures may be considered on a case to case basis.

The only recommendation incorporated as grant condition is the teacher certificates that required all teachers getting paid by Compact funds to be certified. The rest of these recommendations still yet to be implemented or revisited to determine their effectiveness in impacting and changing our data collection system as a major

component in our education system. The NDOE needs to assess the impacts of these conditions to corroborate how best to understand the declines in our school enrollment and resolve or remove the impediments within our data reporting system:

- Dropout rates
- Retention/Transfer
- Migration (domestic/overseas)
- Mortality rate (6-18 yrs)
- Communication/Transportation
- Costs of fuel
- Others

The issue on a single uniform data collection system still persists and therefore the NDOE, FACSSO and School Boards should seriously address it immediately.

3. Accuracy and cleanliness of data

This year report is based on 2010 Population Projection as provided by the Office of SBOC which thus compromised further the accuracies of our submission. A 2010 census is underway nationwide, as reported last year, and therefore it is anticipated that next year report will slightly be improved.

4. Training for Data Managers

There was an earlier plan to expand on this 20 Indicator report, as suggested by former Office of Compact Management (OCM), using performance measures identified during a contract with the USDA experts three years ago, however this plan was consequently put on hold. It is the expressed opinion of the NDOE to first master the current Education 20 Indicators Report requirements and activities before any expansion would be considered. Training is however still needed to align the collection system and develop a uniform system that even the remotest schools in the nation could use the manual version and regularly report the results to the states' Departments of Education.

B. Executive Summary

The overall performance and preparation on this year's Annual Education 20 Indicators Report clearly indicate a slight decline in the quality, volume and timeliness of the states' submissions toward the said report, thus hindering the nation's submission to the Office of Insular Affairs. Based on the states' report, there is a significant decline in students' enrollment at roughly 22% contributed to by factors not readily assessed and number of teachers at 7% which could be the results of retirement, mortality and migration. These are not research-base findings, but simply general observations.

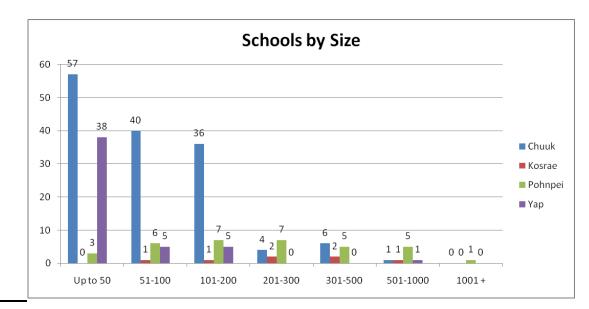
There is insignificant data on testing results, however based on what has been submitted, students and teachers performance skills in the content areas have not improved. However the Micronesia Teachers Education Conferences (MTEC) in 2009 and 2010 have addressed the critical areas in teachers' language related skills, math and other teaching methodology to improve both the teachers and students skills. More works still needed under teacher certificate requirements and the student's quota on textbooks. Purchasing of textbooks still continued at the states' DOEs. The copies of the draft Job Audit findings are circulated at the NDOE and Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk DOE and copies for OIA have been forwarded.

1. Number of Schools by elementary and secondary level, including ECE/Sped centers											
State	ECE	Elementary	Secondary	Other	No. Schools						
Chuuk	45	83	21		149						
Kosrae		7	1		8						
Pohnpei		31	3		34						
Үар	25	22	2		49						
FSM	70	143	27		240						
Percent	29%	60%	11%	0%	100%						

As of school year 2009-2010, Chuuk and Yap still have not integrated their ECE with the Elementary schools. Decline in the number of schools for both Chuuk and Yap likely from inaccurate figures reported to the National Education.

2. Numbe	2. Number of schools by size												
State	Up to 50	51-100	101-200	201-300	301-500	501-1000	1001 +	Total					
Chuuk	57	40	36	4	6	1	0	144					
Kosrae	0	1	1	2	2	1	0	7					
Pohnpei	3	6	7	7	5	5	1	34					
Үар	38	5	5	0	0	1	0	49					
FSM	98	52	49	13	13	8	1	234					

Chuuk shows a higher school count in the size of 200 and under.



3. Number of schools operating half-day/double session by elementary and secondary level Not Applicable

4. Average teacher attendance rate by gender and elementary and secondary level											
State		Elementary	Secondary								
State	Male	Female	Rate	Male	Female	Rate					
Chuuk											
Kosrae											
Pohnpei											
Үар											
FSM											

Data submitted from all 4 states are not sufficient to calculate for this table.

5. Number and	5. Number and percent of Teachers by education level												
State	No de	egree	AA/AS		BA/BS		MA/MS		PhD		Total		
Sidle	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	TULAI		
Chuuk	162	185	188	247	41	51	5	1	0	0	880		
Kosrae	4	0	87	82	14	9	0	0	0	0	196		
Pohnpei	4	19	201	183	60	48	0	1	0	0	516		
Үар	94	87	92	44	11	11	1	0	0	0	340		
Total	264	291	568	556	126	119	6	2	0	0	1932		
% Total	13.66%	15.06%	29.40%	28.78%	6.52%	6.16%	0.31%	0.10%	0.00%	0.00%	100%		

Kosrae reported a total of 200 teachers. 4 teachers was not included in the above chart due to missing data on teacher degree.

There is a decline in the percentage of teachers without degree from 34.6% in 2009 to 28.7% in 2010. The percentage of teaching staff with an AA/AS increase from 54.3% in 2009 to 58.2% in 2010

6. Number of teachers and staff by elementary and secondary level										
State	Elem	entary	Seco	Total						
State	Teachers	Staff	Teachers	Staff	Total					
Chuuk	314	72	556	148	1090					
Kosrae	161	20	39	6	226					
Pohnpei	404	49	112	26	591					
Үар	274	7	66	9	356					
FSM	1153	148	773	189	2263					

This tables shows the breakdown of teaching staff to none teaching staff by state and school level. Secondary has the higher percentage of none teaching staff with 24.45% compared to 12.84% in Elementary.

10 from Chuuk is unaccounted for due to lack of data on data element (Elementary or Secondary).

7. Student-to	7. Student-to-teacher ratio by elementary and secondary level												
State	Elementary Students		Elementary Teachers		Elementary Ratio		Secondary Students		Secondary Teachers		Secondary Ratio		
Sidle	Private	Public	Private	Public	Private	Public	Private	Public	Private	Public	Private	Public	
Chuuk	478	10183	51	607	9	17	536	2311	58	154	9	15	
Kosrae		1636		161		10		571		39		15	
Pohnpei		7837		404		19		2463		112		22	
Үар		1741		274		6		716		66		11	
FSM	478	21397	51	1446	9	15	536	6061	58	371	9	16	

Student teacher ration dropped to 9:1 compared 14:1 in 2009 in Elementary. Secondary ration also dropped from 12:1 to 9:1 in 2010. This figure reflects the decline in student enrollment and also under reporting.

8. Base popula	8. Base populations by school age group (Census Projection Data 2010)											
State	4-5 yr	6-13 yr	14-18 yr	Total								
Chuuk	2533	9967	5061	17562								
Kosrae	429	1468	722	2619								
Pohnpei	1817	6871	3024	11712								
Үар	603	2178	878	3660								
FSM	5383	20484	9685	35553								

This projection was updated by the statistics office and is based on 2010 projection

9. Percent of b	9. Percent of base school-age population enrolled in school											
State	4-5 yr	6-13 yr	14-18 yr	Total								
Chuuk	26.84%	85.37%	78.06%	74.82%								
Kosrae	5.13%	82.16%	123.51%	80.94%								
Pohnpei	33.01%	105.33%	81.46%	87.95%								
Үар	41.29%	54.63%	92.46%	61.51%								
FSM	28.81%	88.56%	83.82%	78.22%								

Based on the 2010 projections, FSM wide is serving 78.22% of actual projected population in the above age range. In the age range of 4-5, Kosrae data shows a 5.13% or 22 of the projection being enrolled in school.

10. Student enrollment by elementary and secondary level and gender										
State	Eleme	entary	Sec	Total						
State	Male	Female	Male	Female	TOLAI					
Chuuk	5435	5226	1354	1493	13508					
Kosrae	829	807	297	274	2207					
Pohnpei	4011	3826	1174	1289	10300					
Үар	922	819	395	321	2457					
FSM	11197	10678	3220	3377	28472					

Based on the data shown in the above table, there is no gender disparity. Of the total enrollment of 28472, 50.6% are male and 49.4% are female with a difference of 1.2%.

11. Average daily student attendance rate by elementary and secondary level and gender

State		Elementary		Secondary			
State	Male	Female	ERate	Male	Female	SRate	
Chuuk							
Kosare							
Pohnpei							
Үар							
FSM							

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12. Drop-out ra	te by grade le	evel and gend	er				
	Drop	o Out	Enro	ollment	R	ate	
Grade Level	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Overall Rate
ECE	1	1	1129	1107	0%	0%	0%
1	0	1	1297	1232	0%	0%	0%
2	0	1	1215	1127	0%	0%	0%
3	2	0	1280	1217	0%	0%	0%
4	2	1	1417	1258	0%	0%	0%
5	3	3	1235	1188	0%	0%	0%
6	3	1	1242	1237	0%	0%	0%
7	8	4	1142	1161	1%	0%	1%
8	12	4	1134	1078	1%	0%	1%
9	77	56	989	937	8%	6%	7%
10	48	53	953	1005	5%	5%	5%
11	55	33	745	776	7%	4%	6%
12	17	20	639	732	3%	3%	3%
Total	228	178	14417	14055	2%	1%	1%

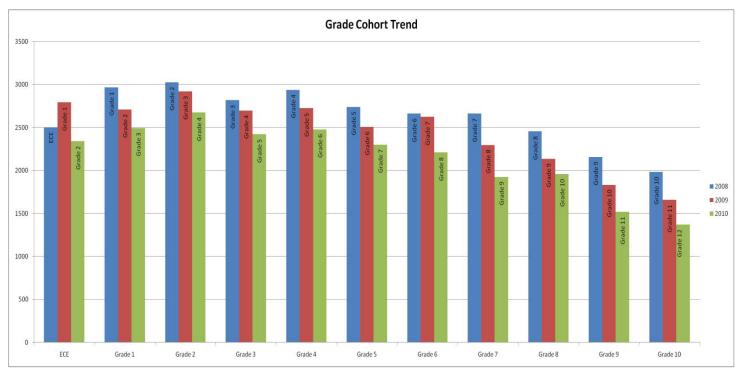
There is a slight decline in the overall rate from 1.5% in 2009 to 1.4% in 2010.

Grade	2008 Enrollment	Grade	2009 Enrollment	Percent of 2008	Grade	2010 Enrollment	Percent of 2008	Percent of 2009
ECE	2502	Grade 1	2794	12%	Grade 2	2342	-6%	-16%
Grade 1	2969	Grade 2	2711	-9%	Grade 3	2497	-16%	-8%
Grade 2	3029	Grade 3	2922	-4%	Grade 4	2675	-12%	-8%
Grade 3	2819	Grade 4	2698	-4%	Grade 5	2423	-14%	-10%
Grade 4	2940	Grade 5	2726	-7%	Grade 6	2479	-16%	-9%
Grade 5	2741	Grade 6	2508	-9%	Grade 7	2303	-16%	-8%
Grade 6	2663	Grade 7	2626	-1%	Grade 8	2212	-17%	-16%
Grade 7	2662	Grade 8	2298	-14%	Grade 9	1926	-28%	-16%
Grade 8	2456	Grade 9	2138	-13%	Grade 10	1958	-20%	-8%
Grade 9	2158	Grade 10	1834	-15%	Grade 11	1521	-30%	-17%
Grade 10	1983	Grade 11	1658	-16%	Grade 12	1371	-31%	-17%

The table above tracks cohort of students from 2008 to 2010. ECE students enrolled in 2008 are shown as grade 1 in 2009 and grade 2 in 2010.

The highest decline in the cohort are those grade 10 in 2008 which shows a 31% decline in their enrollment to grade 12 in 2010. From 2008 to 2010, to smallest decline is ECE cohort in 2008 who would have been in grade 2 in 2010 by 6%. Based on the data above, overall there is a 18% drop in the three year period.

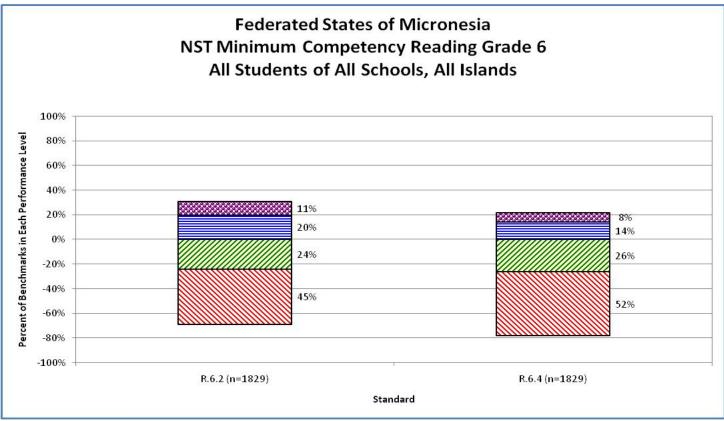
With only Chuuk state reporting private school data, transfer could be one of the factors in the decline. Other factors may include out migration, drop outs, mortality and repeaters.



This chart shows another view of the progress of each cohort over the three year period.

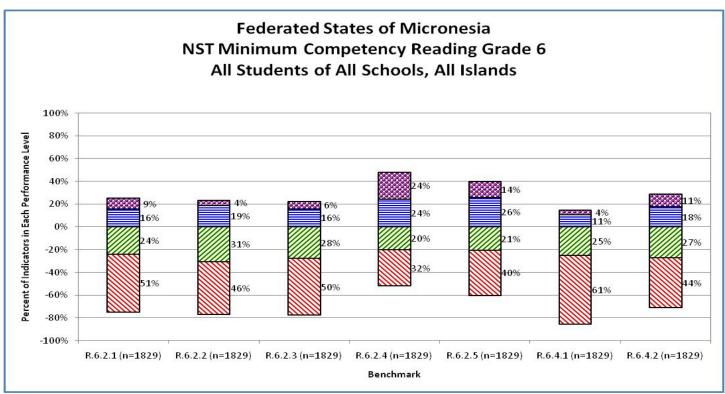
Standard 2: Reading 6.2 - Students will demonstrate competence in reading skills and strategies to comprehend variety of texts/media for social, academic, and career-related purposes.

Standard 4. Literature 6.4 - Students will study literature (oral, written) in their own culture as well as selected literary works from other cultures. They will develop the ability to understand other cultures and gain insights into their own, relate to others, and recognize universal and unique qualities in others.



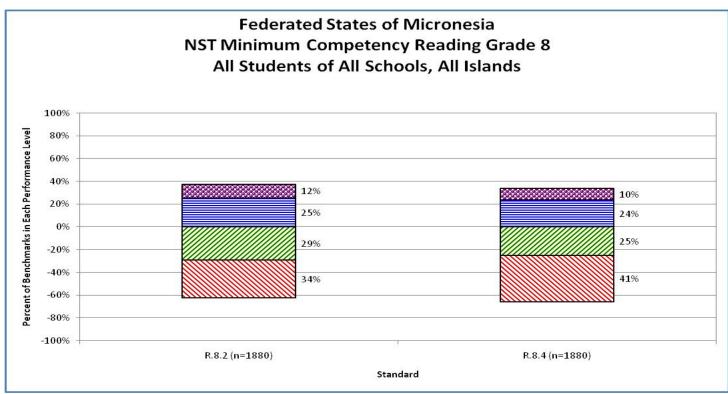
Students understand Standard 6.2 better than 6.4. 31% of the R.6.2 benchmarks meet or exceed the minimum competency expectation compared with 22% of the R.6.4 benchmarks

In 2009, standard 2 (Reading) shows a 12% for students who are at competent level and standard 4 (Literature) also shows a 9% for students who are at competent level. Each standard decline by 1% this year.



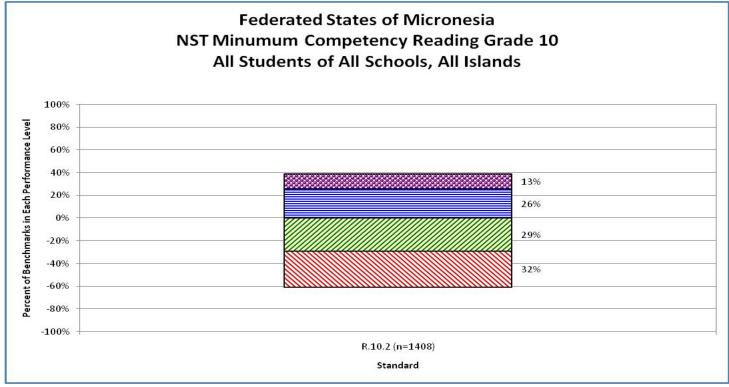
There are 7 Benchmarks on the NST Reading Grade 6 Test. Students understand benchmark 6.2.4 the best where 48% (24% + 24%) of the indicators meet or exceed minimum competency. Students struggle with benchmark 6.4.1 the most. Only 15% of the indicators meet minimum competency expectations

- 6.2.4: Locate and use features of textbooks such as chapter titles, sub-headings, chapter summaries, to summarize, compare/contrast, and draw conclusions.
- 6.4.1: Demonstrate understanding of character's behaviors and attitudes (e.g., actions, motives, and traits of different characters; interactions among main and minor characters, the importance between the characters to plot or theme.

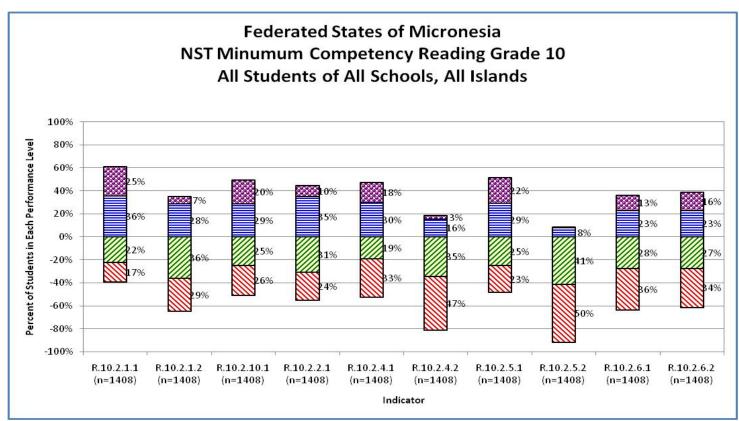


Students understand Standard 6.2 better than 6.4. 37% of the R.6.2 benchmarks meet or exceed the minimum competency expectation compared with 34% of the R.6.4 benchmarks

There is only one standard in grade 10



On Standard R.10.1, 39% of the benchmarks meet or exceed minimum competency.



The best performance by students is in indicator 10.2.1.1 with 25% competent. Use new grade-appropriate vocabulary, including content area vocabulary, learned through reading and word study.

Students performed the least in R10.2.5.2 with only 8% meet expectation. Demonstrate understanding those factors that commonly affect the use of language (gender, social class, family relationship, ethnic groups).

14. Completio	on/graduation rat	e for 8th and 12 th g	grades (Private/Pub	lic)			
State	Туре	8th Enrolled	8th Grad	Rate	12th Enrolled	12th Grad	Rate
Chuuk	Public	980	832	84.90%	433	360	83.14%
Chuuk	Private	72	61	84.72%	143	126	88.11%
Kosrae	Public	156	153	98.08%			#DIV/0!
Kosrae	Private	7	7	100.00%			
Pohnpei	Public	908	850	93.61%	526	502	95.44%
Politipei	Private			#DIV/0!			#DIV/0!
Van	Public			#DIV/0!			#DIV/0!
Үар	Private			#DIV/0!			#DIV/0!
Total		2123	1903	90%	1102	988	90%

Yap did not submit any data for the above indicator.

15. Number and percent of grade 8 completers going to high school and high school graduates going to higher education									
State	Completed 8	Going to HS	Percent	Completed 12	Going to HEd	Percent			
Chuuk	893			486	486	100.00%			
Kosrae	153	153		128	128	100.00%			
Pohnpei	850	733		502	403	80.28%			
Үар						#DIV/0!			
FSM	1896	886	46.73%	1116	1017	91.13%			

Yap failed to submit data for this indicator and Pohnpei show a slight decline in the going to HED by about 17%.

16. Number of student textbooks by subject areas and elementary and secondary										
Textbooks	Chuuk		Kosrae		Pohnpei		Үар			
TEXIDOOKS	Elementary	Secondary	Elementary	Secondary	Elementary	Secondary	Elementary	Secondary		
Math				-	3898	1025				
LangArts			No toyth	ook purchased	7454	2539	No textbook pur	urchacad		
Science				Jok purchaseu	7454	2539	NO LEXIDOOK	Jui chaseu		
Social Study					7454	2539				
Total	0	0	0	0	26260	8642	0	0		

Only Pohnpei showed purchases on textbook. Chuuk did purchased textbooks based on their data but could not be included due to lack of clarification on figures.

17. Per pupil expenditure (annual operating k-12 budget divided by enrolled student count)									
State	ESG	SEG	Enrollment PP				PPE		
Chuuk	\$10,047,249	\$	4,480,706.00	\$	13,508.00	\$	1,075.51		
Kosrae	\$2,524,286	\$	1,285,255.00	\$	2,207.00	\$	1,726.12		
Pohnpei	\$7,599,557	\$	2,954,336.00	\$	10,300.00	\$	1,024.65		
Үар	\$4,199,923	\$	1,769,879.00	\$	2,457.00	\$	2,429.71		
FSM	\$24,371,015	\$	10,490,176.00	\$	28,472.00	\$	1,224.40		

All 4 states showed an increase in PPE. This is likely from the decline in the number of enrollment.

18. Number of parent involvement activities per year by states and average number of participants								
State	Total No. of Activities	Total No. Participants	Average					
Chuuk			#DIV/0!					
Kosrae			#DIV/0!					
Pohnpei	189	30198	159.78					
Үар								
FSM Total	189	30198	159.78					

Only Pohnpei submitted data on this indicator

19. Student enrollment in local institutions of higher education (IHE) by gender									
State	Fall	2009	Fall 2009 Total	Spring	Spring 2010 Total				
State	Female	Male		Female	Male	Spring 2010 rotal			
Chuuk	362	222	584	332	241	573			
Kosrae	93	140	233	102	116	218			
National	563	448	1011	524	405	929			
Pohnpei	334	379	713	280	314	594			
Үар	128	101	229	120	89	209			
Grand Total	1480	1290	2770	1358	1165	2523			

Enrollment shows an increase from 2202 in 2009 to 2523 in 2010.

20. Number of local IHE graduates by each o	liploma/degree le	vel and by gende	r (2006-2007)				
Degree/Certificate	Fall 2		Total		<u>, 2010</u>	Total	Grand Total
•	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Grand Total
Accounting				4		4	4
Agriculture and Food Technology		3	3		2	2	5
Bookkeeping		1	1				1
Building Technology	1	3	4		1	1	5
Business Administration	11	7	18	3	3	6	24
Carpentry					1	1	1
Computer Information Systems	7	5	12	11	5	16	28
Construction Electricity		2	2				2
Early Childhood Education				1	1	2	2
Electronics Technology	1	3	4		1	1	5
General Business				1	1	2	2
General Studies	7	5	12	7	3	10	22
Health Career Opportunities Program	6	1	7	4		4	11
Hospitality Management	2	3	5	1	4	5	10
Liberal Arts	12	12	24	11	8	19	43
Liberal Arts / Media Studies	1		1		1	1	2
Marine Science		3	3	2	3	5	8
Micronesian Studies	6	9	15	5	2	7	22
Refrigerator and Air Conditioning		2	2				2
Teacher Education - Elementary	18	15	33	10	5	15	48
Teacher Preparation	2	1	3	1	3	4	7
Teacher Preparation - Elementary	2	6	8	2	2	4	12
Telecommunication Technology				1	1	2	2
Grand Total	76	81	157	64	47	111	268

Graduation in 2010 shows an increase from 2009 by 16% or 43. Compared to 2009, this year shows a fewer courses than 2009 but higher graduated from the courses listed above.