## Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) Webinar:

Using the Data in Local Work June 9, 2014



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## **Agenda**

- I. Introduction Janice
  - Why CRDC and how to use as an advocacy tool?
- II. Overview of CRDC website and accessing local info Harold
  - Accessing Local Information
  - Charts/diagrams that can be generated
- III. Identifying discipline disparities and other issues within the data
  - Dan Losen
  - David Osher
- IV. Closing and Next Steps Janice
  - Collection of issues (e-mail to Janel at <u>igeorge@naacpldf.org</u>)
  - Letter to OCR on data issues
- v. Sample Advocacy Tools

## Intro to CRDC and Local Work

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### What is the CRDC?

- The U.S. Department of Education (ED) conducts the Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) to collect data on key education characteristics of school districts.
- Office of Civil Rights (OCR) collects the data to ensure that districts are meeting their civil rights obligations.
- Conducted usually every two years.
- Data on individual schools and districts.

### What is the CRDC?

- Covers a number of school characteristics, like:
  - Access to Advanced Placement courses, Math and Science courses,
  - SAT/ACT tests,
  - Preschool programs,
  - Percentage of first-year teachers,
  - Enrollment demographics, and
  - Discipline.
- Data is disaggregated by race/ethnicity, sex, limited English proficiency, and for students with disabilities and students without disabilities.

## How is the 2011-2012 data different from the 2009 CRDC?

- The **2011-2012 Data collection**, for the first time since 2000, includes data from every public school in the nation (approximately 16,500 school districts, 97,000 schools, and 49 million students).
- Includes traditional public schools (Pre-K-12<sup>th</sup> grade), alternative schools, career and technical, and charter schools.
- Included data on preschool discipline for the first time.
   Also includes a focus on equity in career and college-readiness indicators.

## Why CRDC Matters?

- CRDC is a tool for members to use in their local work
- Reveals school climate disparities related to discipline, restraint and seclusion, retention, and bullying
- Tracks personnel and non-personnel expenditures
- Can be used to check that data is being reported accurately
- Gives State/National estimations

## Local Issues with Reporting + Definitions

- Local districts do not always report data accurately to OCR
- If a district fails to report certain data, a zero will appear
- There may also be cases where the data on the OCR website does not match the data you can access locally
- Some districts may not accurately report particular disciplinary categories because the way OCR defines a category does not match the district's definition

## **Holding Districts Accountable**

- Schools and districts can be held accountable if you know that the data reported is incorrect, and you have documentation to prove otherwise.
- For example, in Holmes County:
  - It was reported that no students were referred to Law Enforcement; but through our organizing we have evidence that at least four students in the past year were referred.
  - With regards to school-related arrest, the data reports a lower number than actual in elementary, middle and high schools.

## **Questions**

Questions about using CRDC in local work?

Any questions about changes to CRDC from 2009 to 2011-2012?

Other questions?

## HOW TO: Explore the OCR Website

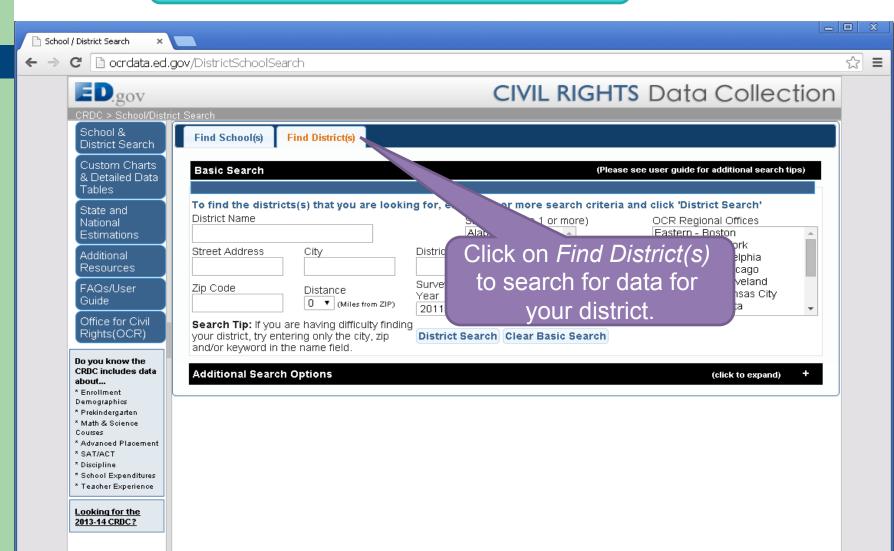
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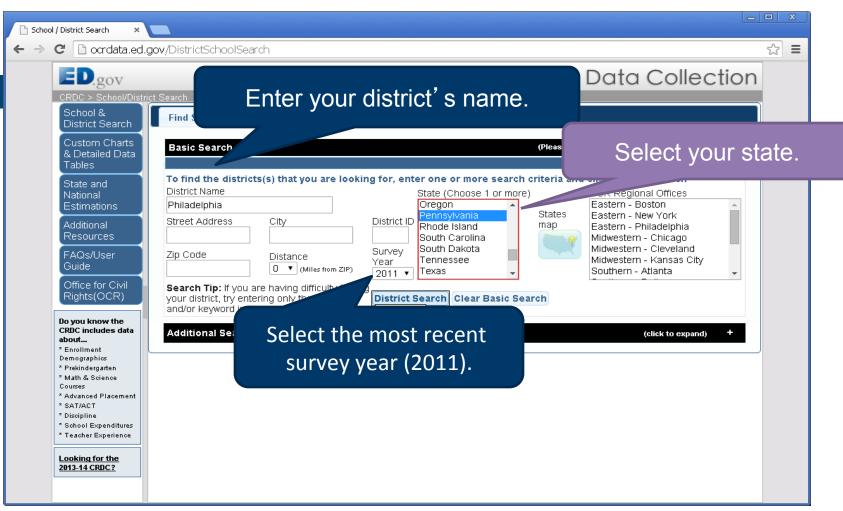




On this page you can access information about specific schools.



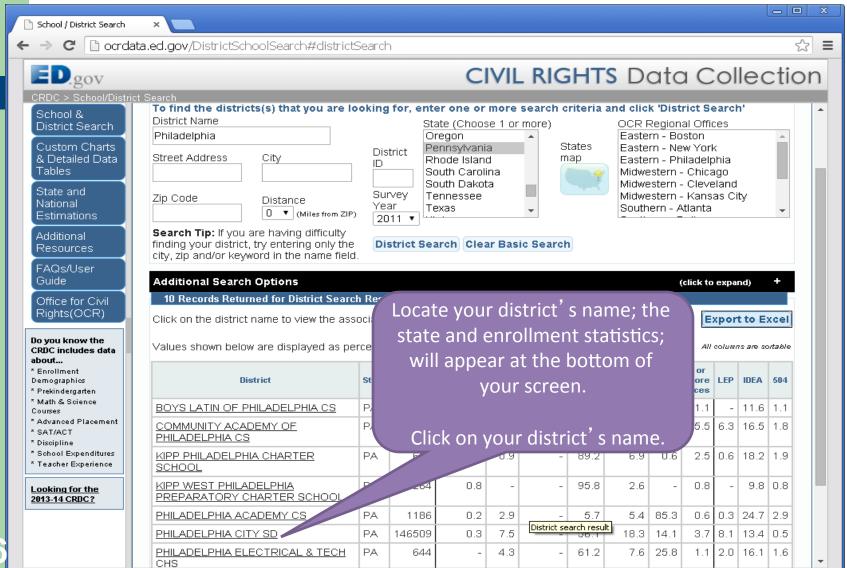






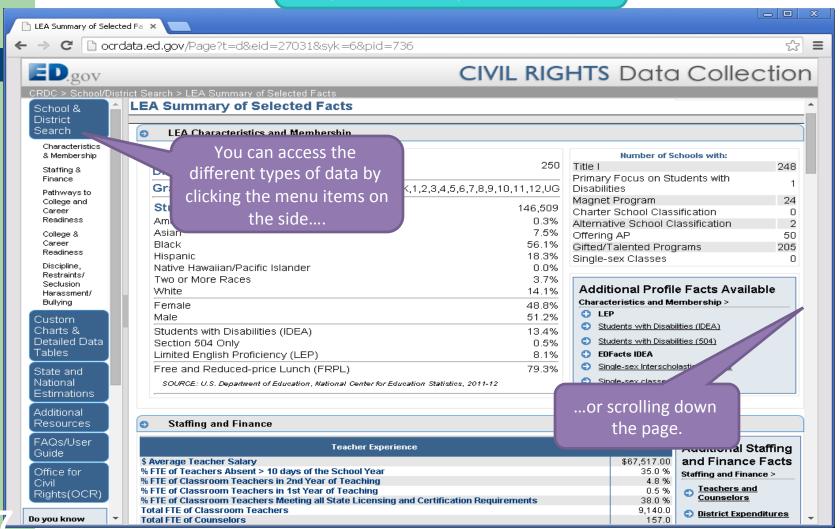




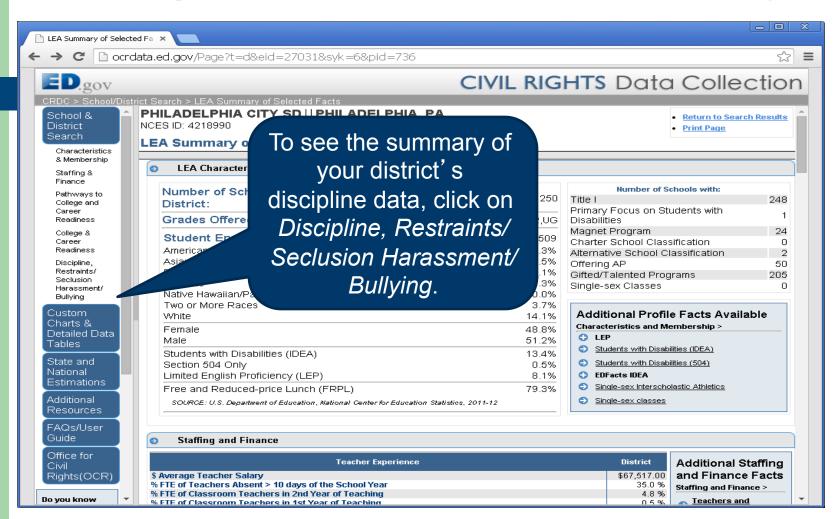




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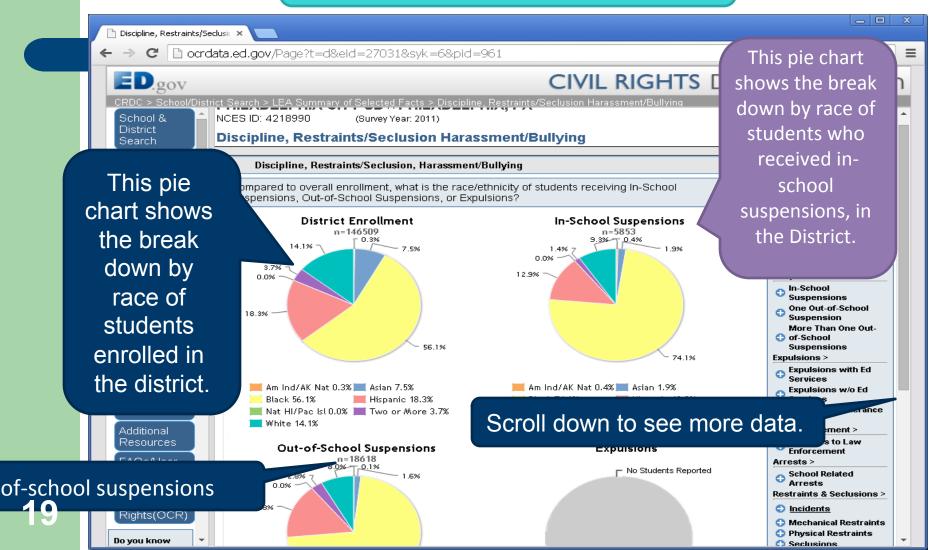




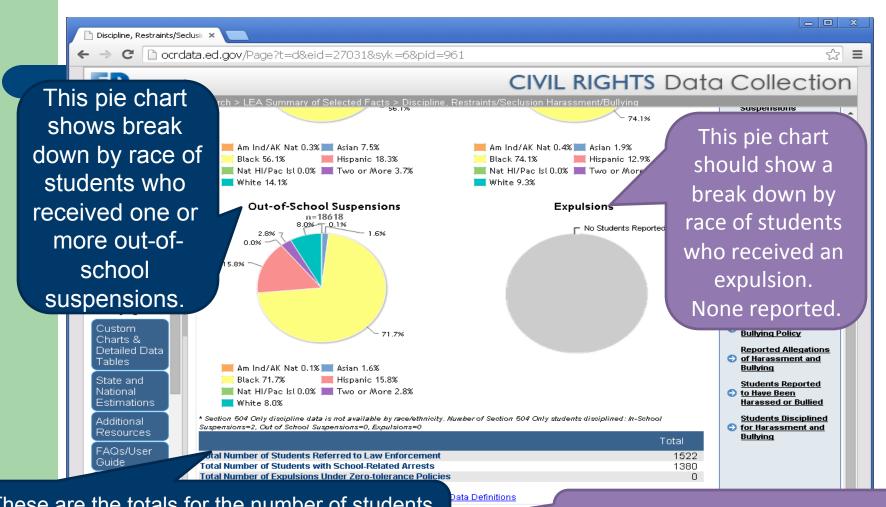




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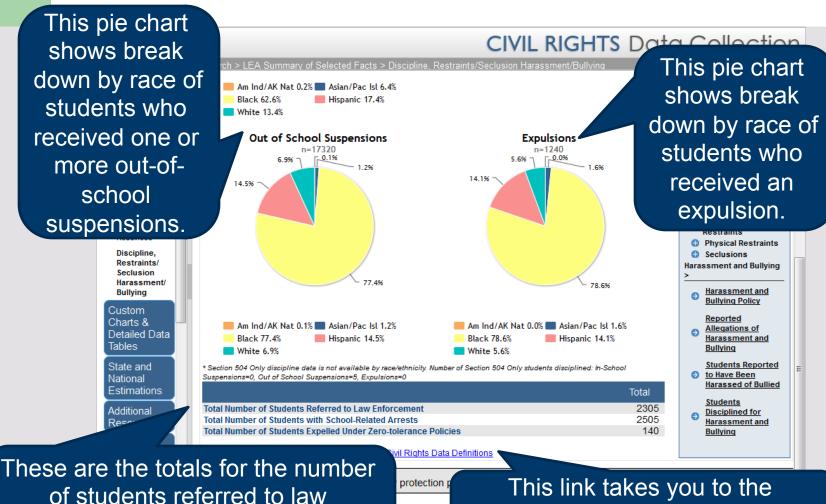
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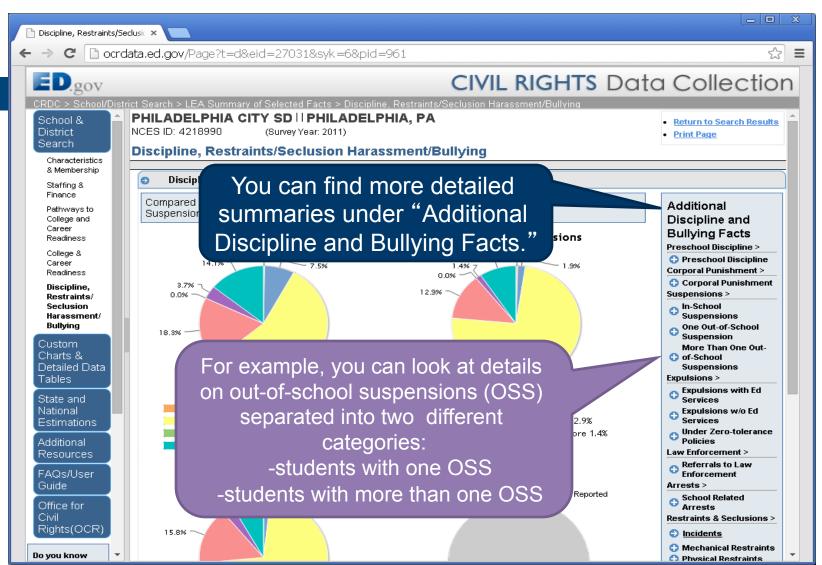
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#### HOW TO: Explore the District Data **Summaries** from Office for Civil Rights

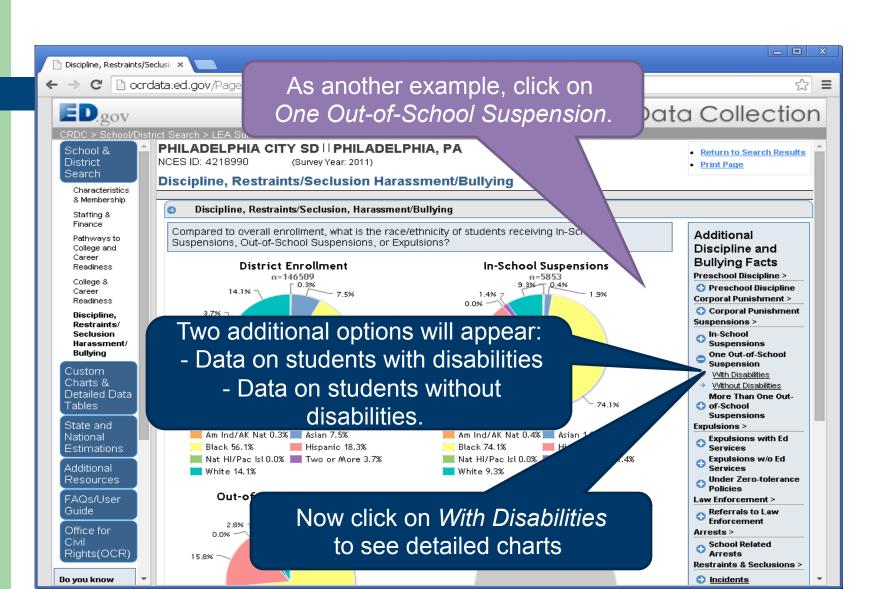


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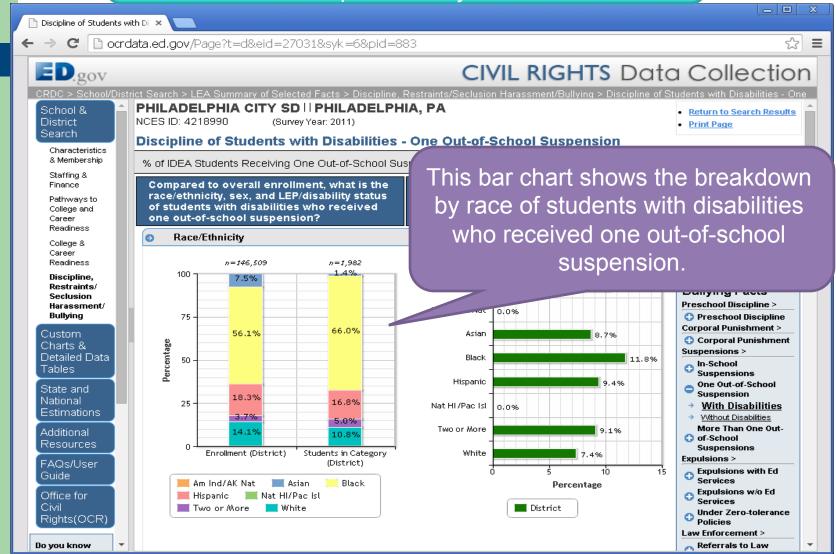






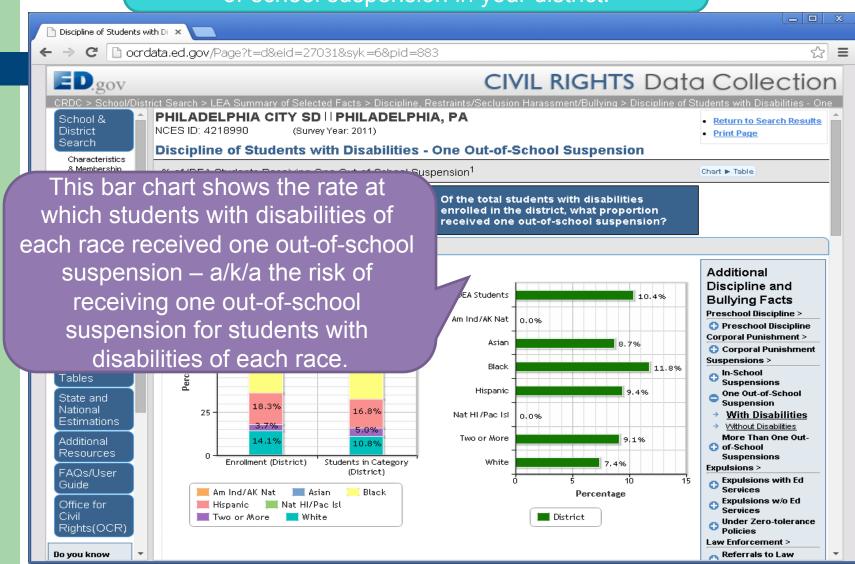


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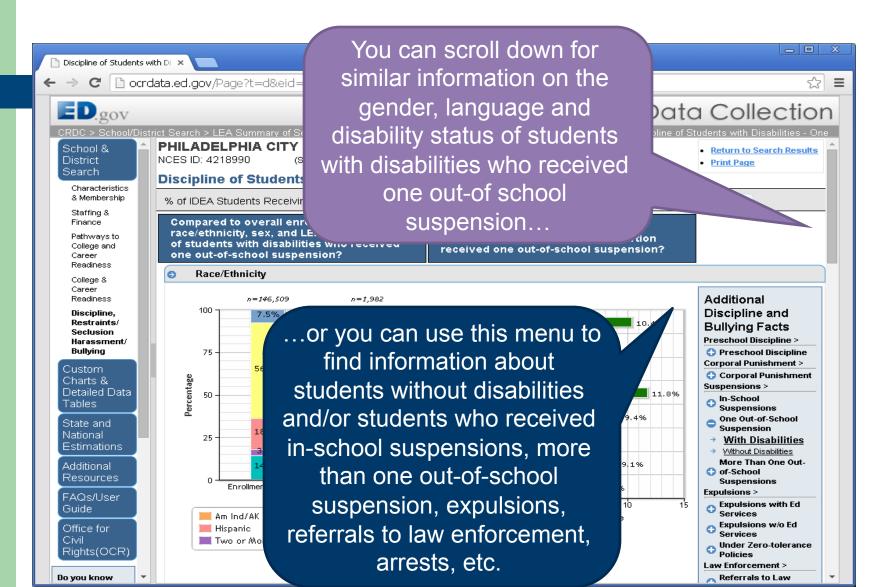




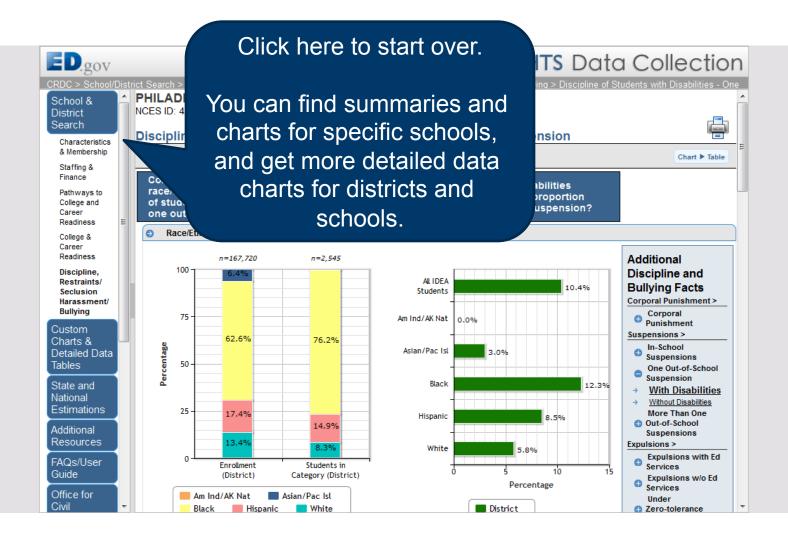
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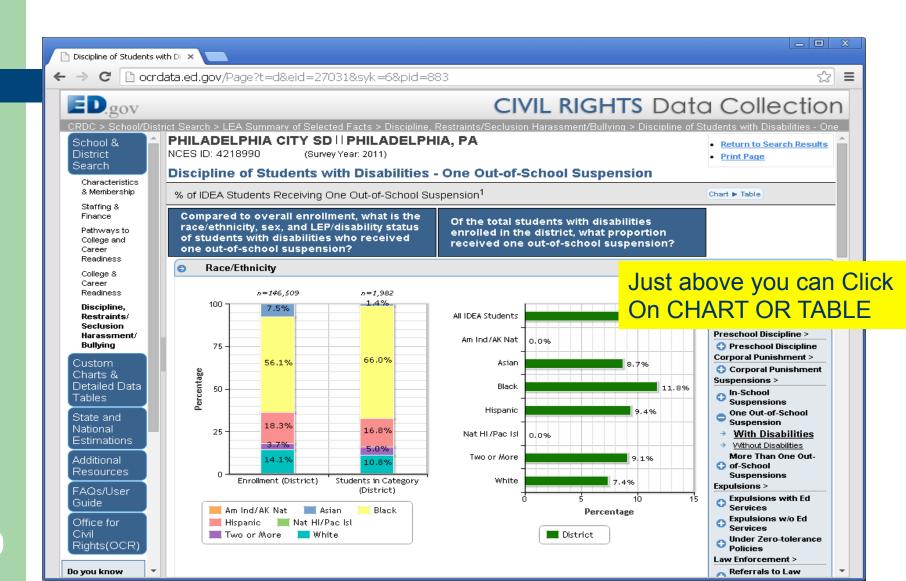


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# Identifying Disparities within the Data: The Next Step

Dan Losen





## **Major Correction**

- To calculate and compare to students with out disabilities you have to know their enrollment.
- You must subtract students with disabilities from total enrollment.
- OCR FORGOT TO DO THIS!!!!

## How to Calculate for Students With and Without Disabilities

- Enrollment by race of students with disabilities is found under "ADDITIONAL PROFILE FACTS AVAILABLE"
- PROVIDES IDEA NUMBERS BY RACE
- Students without disabilities enrollment
   EQUALS =

Total Enrollment – Student WITH disabilities

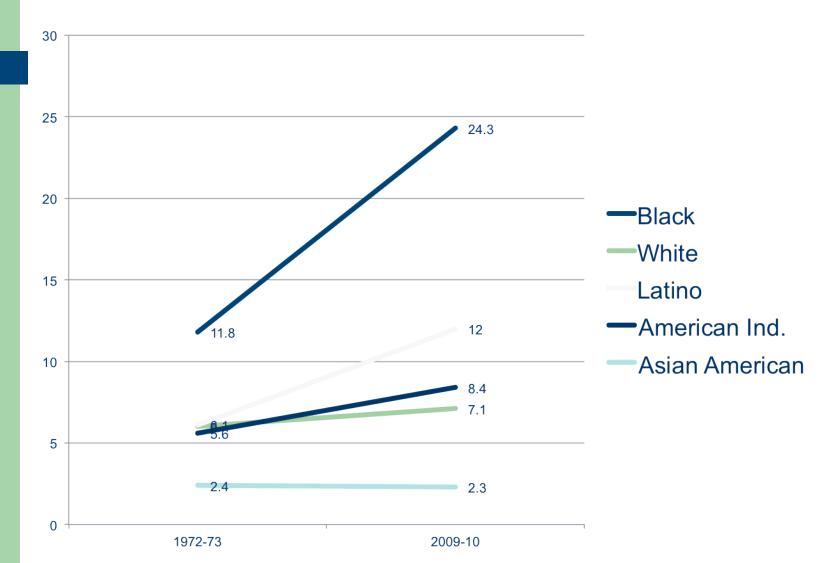
## Los Angeles USD

- 52,787 Blacks enrolled
- 7,485 Blacks WITH disabilies
- 52,787 7,485 = Blacks WITHOUT disabilities
- 45, 302 Blacks WITHOUT disabilities in LAUSD
- This number will not appear on the OCR page. You must calculate it.
- Instead they repeat the total enrollment.

## **2009-2010 Office for Civ**il Rights (OCR) Suspension Data for the Fall River Public Schools: By Race, and By Disability,

		Black	Hispanic	White	All Students**
Students with Disabilities*	Students with IEPs Suspended Once	35	35	100	170
	Students with IEPs Suspended Two or More Times	45	65	145	255
	Total Enrollment of Students With IEPs	190	350	1190	1785
	<b>Suspension Rate</b>	42.1% (=80/190)	28.6% (=100/350)	20.6% (=245/1190)	23.8% (=425/1785)
Students without Disabilities*	Students without IEPs Suspended Once	75	150	360	605
	Students without IEPs Suspended Two or More Times	90	130	300	535
	Total Enrollment of Students Without IEPs	760	1295	5560	8090
	<b>Suspension Rate</b>	21.7% (=165/760)	21.6% (=280/1295)	11.9% (=660/5560)	14.1% (=1140/8090)

## **Secondary Suspension Rates: Then and Now**



## Data misuse and misunderstandings

- Risk = absolute values
- Risk difference = absolute differences
- Risk Ratio- purely relative
- Composition Index –purely relative
- Incidents
- Suspensions and rates per 100
- Duration

# **Despite Dramatic** Reduction in Suspension Use and Near Elimination of the Racial Gap: City A Increased the Risk Ratio (from 2 to 20)



#### **Change over time:**

- Compare progress between districts you need an absolute measure for comparision.
- Within the district you need to know are suspension rates increasing or decreasing.
- You want to see if the racial gap is increasing or decreasing.
- Use absolute numbers not ratios.
- Use ratios to say why the status quo is still not acceptable.

# **CENTER FO**R CIVIL RIGHTS **REMEDIES:** Complete Analysis O f ALL OCR DISCIPLINE DATA: Coming This Summer or Fall

- Every breakdown for every district with reliable data.
- Elementary, middle and high school levels.
- Charter school report.
- Some state data analysis.
- Info on where to get more recent state data.
- www.schooldisciplinedata.org

## How to Use Data Findings to Demand Interventions that will address Discipline Disparities

**David Osher** 

#### **There Are Other Disparities**

#### Opportunity Gaps

- Limited access within and between schools
  - High-level math and science courses
  - Gifted and Talented
  - AP

#### Service Gaps

- Conditions for Learning
- Access to timely, appropriate preventive and treatment services

#### **Conditions for Learning**

- Conditions For Learning
  - Physical & Emotional Safety; Connection & Support; Academic Challenge & Engagement; Adult and Student Social and Emotional Competence
- Social and Emotional Learning
- Structural Supports and Practices
  - e.g., PBIS, Restorative Practices, Educator Support

### What Do Students Need: Prevention and Treatment

#### Early intervention

- Does not wait for students to fail or get into deep trouble
- Avoid labels and segregation
- Skill building

#### Intensive Intervention

- Individualized; consumer-driven/sensitive;
   strengths-based & building; practical; integrated;
- Non-Segregating, skill –building, and restorative

#### Possible Next Steps and Closing

- Compile concerns about data
  - Can report to Janel at jgeorge@naacpldf.org
- Letter to Office for Civil Rights
- Public Education
- Open Records Requests
- Title VI Complaints
- Other possible next steps?

#### **Upcoming 2013-2014 CRDC Data**

#### Schools will be required to report:

- Number of students absent 15 or more school days (disaggregated by race, sex, disability, language status)
- If sworn law enforcement officers are assigned to the school
- Whether the school's preschool program serves non-IDEA students (by age).

#### 2013-2014 CRDC Data (Cont' d.)

#### Schools will be required to report:

- Whether the district has civil rights coordinators for discrimination against students on the basis of sex, race, and disability (and the contact info.)
- Number of students enrolled in distance education courses
- Preschool programs offered at a cost to parents or guardians

#### Resources

- Center for Civil Rights Remedies Data Tool: www.schooldisciplinedata.org
- DSC Links to Data and Campaign Tools: www.dignityinschools.org/data-and-campaign-tools

#### Q & A

### Any remaining questions for our panelists?

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