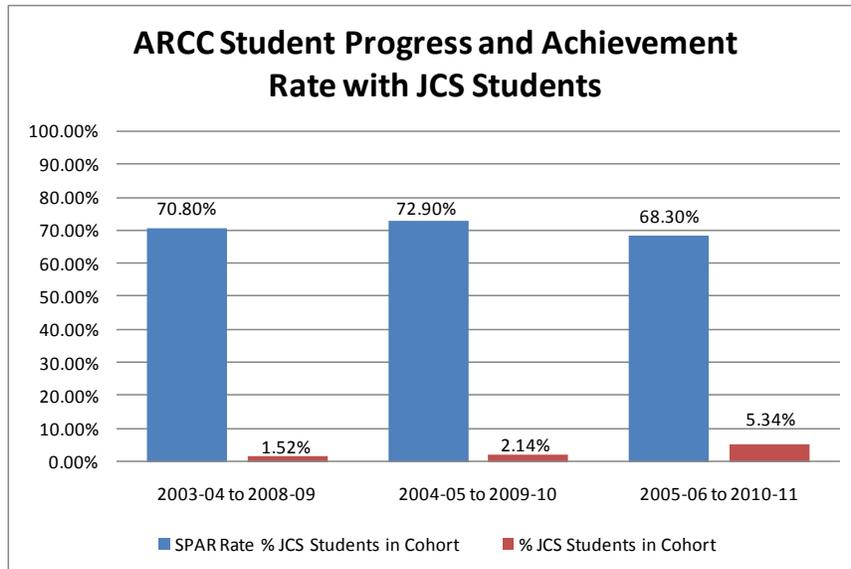


ARCC SPAR and Persistence Rate - 2012

The ARCC SPAR rate decreased in the past year. The drop corresponds with an increase in the percentage of Jobs Corp students included in the cohort. JCS students tend to be vocationally focused and are enrolled in degree applicable Math and English courses at a lower rate than all other students. JCS students also receive AA/AS degrees and transfer to a 4-year institution at a lower rate than all other students. The JCS program was phased out in 2009-10. With the drop in the rate, the college was still above its peer groups in this indicator this year.



The ARCC Persistence rate increased substantially in the past year. The increase corresponds with a drop in JCS students. JCS students tend to have low fall-to-fall persistence rates. The increase in the college's persistence rate was predicted last year based on the omission of JCS students. The college set the peer group high for this indicator.

