

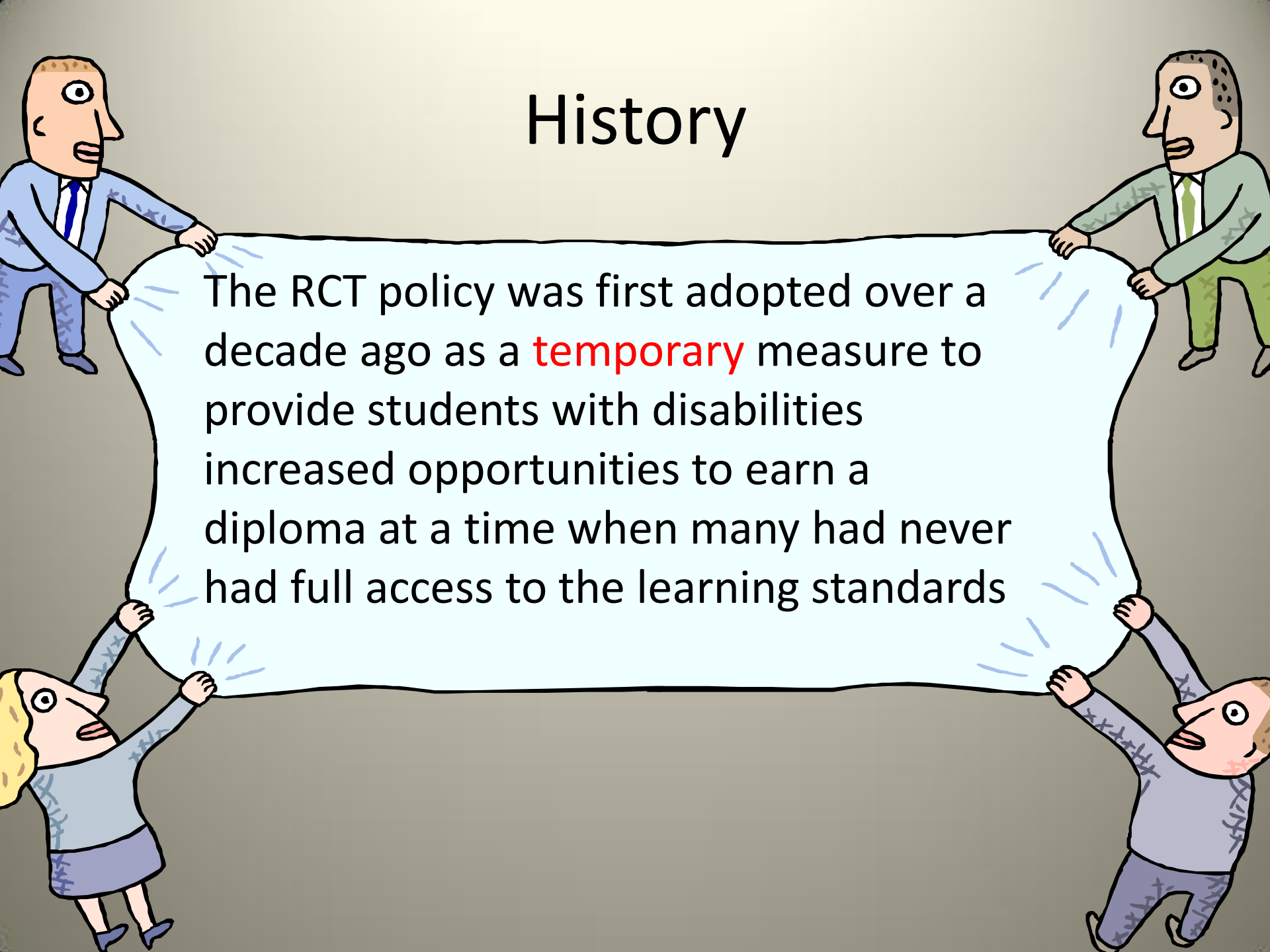


Safety Net

Adopted Oct. 12, 2012

Takes effect on Oct. 31, 2012

History

A cartoon illustration of four people holding a large white banner. The banner is held by a man in a blue suit (top left), a man in a green suit (top right), a woman with blonde hair in a blue top and purple skirt (bottom left), and a man in a grey suit (bottom right). The banner contains text about the RCT policy.

The RCT policy was first adopted over a decade ago as a **temporary** measure to provide students with disabilities increased opportunities to earn a diploma at a time when many had never had full access to the learning standards

Current 55-64 option remains as a Safety Net Option

The 55-64 pass score Safety Net option to earn a local diploma is available to all Students with Disabilities.



Here & Now

Times Change

The Safety Net **passed in emergency session** (10.10.12) is addressing the group of students with disabilities who, with **appropriate accommodations, supports and services**, can reach the State's learning standards at the Commencement Level



What's the Rush

Current high school students with disabilities must have advance notification to fully understand their options and to plan to meet graduation requirements. How are you informing the students/parents/staff?

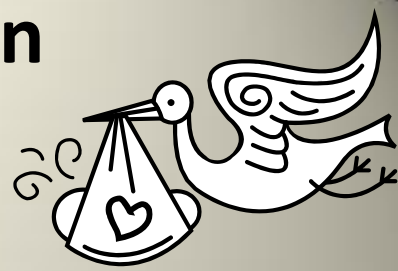


The Compensatory Option is Born

and it looks like a hard labor...

RCT option continues for cohorts prior to 2011

* 55-65 option continues



1. scores between 45-54 on one or more of the five required Regents exams, other than the English or mathematics exam, but scores higher than 65 on one or more of the required Regents exams, in which case the lower score(s) can be compensated by the higher score(s); and
2. obtains a passing score in the subject area of the Regents examination in which he or she received a score of 45-54;
3. has a satisfactory attendance rate for the school year during which the student took the Regents examination in which he or she received a score of 45-54, exclusive of excused absences; provided that
4. a student may not use the compensatory score option if the student is using a passing score on one or more RCTs to graduate with a local diploma.

Safety Net Option(s)

Students currently in 11th grade and above may still use the RCT /55-64 option

*Must attempt 5 required Regents

All SWD can still use the 55-64 option on the 5 Required Regents
Math- English-Science-
Global-US History

*Student may not use the compensatory option and the RCT option

Compensatory Option

Must earn 55 or above on ELA and Math Regents &

Earn 45-54 on one or more of the required Regents exams BUT scores higher than 65 on an equal number of exams to *compensate* for the lower regent(s) score &

*Must maintain a satisfactory attendance Rate in the class the 45-55 score is received.

Effective October 31, 2012.
What does this mean to our Districts ? What are our next steps?

What about the Rest of our Students?

Students with Disabilities even with accommodations and the safety net options are unable to meet the Local or Regents Requirements

High School Career Credential – the Committee discussed proposed principles and policy directions for the establishment of a high school career credential that could be awarded as a supplement to the regular high school diploma and, for those students with disabilities who are unable to earn a regular diploma, as a replacement to the individualized education program (IEP) diploma. This item will be discussed further at the July Retreat. [P-12 (D) 3]