## 4. Employment Milestones: Teacher Retention at 5 Years

Almost $50 \%$ of new teachers leave the classroom within the first 5 years. ${ }^{1}$ In the summer of 2011, McDaniel College began a study of its teacher preparation program completers and their employment five years after program completion. Data were collected under the direction of the Coordinator of Teacher Placement and Professional Development and involved contacting completers by phone, email, or in person, and, in some cases, searching the internet for information on school web pages, resulting in the following:

|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Total } \\ 2006-07 \\ \text { Complete } \\ \text { rs } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ 2007-08 \\ \text { Complete } \\ \text { rs } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { 2008-09 } \\ \text { Complete } \\ \text { rs } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ 2009-10 \\ \text { Complete } \\ \text { rs } \end{gathered}$ | Total 2010-11 <br> Complete rs | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ 2011-12 \\ \text { Complete } \\ \text { rs } \end{gathered}$ | Total 2012-13 <br> Complete rs | Total 2013-14 <br> Completer S | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } 2014- \\ 15 \\ \text { Completers } \end{gathered}$ | Total $2015-$ 2016 Completer s | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ 2016-17 \\ \text { Completers } \end{gathered}$ |
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| Number of completer s | 47 | 50 | 47 | 29 | 48 | 54 | 44 | 40 | 28 | 33 | 30 |
| Complete rs not located | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 47= \\ 11 \% \end{gathered}$ | $6 / 50=12 \%$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 47= \\ 11 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 29= \\ 17 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 / 48= \\ & 14.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 54= \\ 9.3 \% \end{gathered}$ | $4 / 44=9 \%$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 / 40=17.5 \\ & \% \end{aligned}$ | 1/28=3.5\% | 5/33=15\% | 1/30=3\% |
| Complete rs never taught | $\begin{gathered} 4 / 42= \\ 10 \% \end{gathered}$ | $4 / 44=9 \%$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 / 42=2 \% \\ \text { (Candidate } \\ \text { is PT } \\ \text { Assistant) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 / 24=8 \% \\ \text { (Candidate } \\ \text { is college } \\ \text { coach) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 / 41= \\ 7.3 \% \end{gathered}$ | $5 / 49=10 \%$ <br> (One completer is in doctoral program) | $\begin{aligned} & 5 / 40= \\ & 12.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1/33=3\% | $3 / 27=11 \%$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 / 28=7 \% \\ (2 / 28 \text { are } \\ \text { teaching at } \\ \text { college }) \end{gathered}$ | 0/29 $=0 \%$ |
| Complete rs entering teaching | $\begin{gathered} 38 / 42= \\ 90 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 40 / 44= \\ 91 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 41 / 42= \\ 98 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 22 / 24= \\ 92 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 38 / 41= \\ 93 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 44 / 49= \\ 89.8 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 35 / 40= \\ 87.5 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 32 / 33=97 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | 24/27=89\% | $\begin{gathered} 26 / 28=93 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 29 / 29=100 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Complete <br> rs no <br> longer <br> teaching <br> after 5 <br> years <br> (Leavers) | $3 / 38=8 \%$ | $3 / 40=8 \%$ | $2 / 41=5 \%$ <br> ( 1 completer works in a public library and 1 is home raising children) | $0 / 24=0 \%$ | $2 / 38=5 \%$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 44= \\ 11.4 \% \\ \text { (2 are home } \\ \text { with } \\ \text { children, one } \\ \text { is out of the } \\ \text { country, and } \\ \text { one is } \\ \text { searching } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 / 35= \\ 5.7 \% \end{gathered}$ <br> (both are home with children; one of these taught one year while the second | 1/32=3\% | $\begin{gathered} 3 / 24=12.5 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | 1/26=4\% (one taught 3 years and is currently home with childrenwill return next year) | $3 / 29=10.3$ $\%$ (two resigned <br> (two resigned when they had children and one resigned when their spouse was relocated for work) |


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| Complete <br> rs <br> teaching <br> now but <br> less than <br> 5 years | Data Not Collected | $\begin{gathered} 7 / 40= \\ 18 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7 / 41= \\ 17 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 / 22= \\ 14 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 13 / 38= \\ 34 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 / 44= \\ & 15.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7 / 35= \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $1 / 32=3 \%$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 / 24=12.5 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | 1/26=4\% | 0/26=0\% |
| Complete rs teaching 5 years | $\begin{gathered} 35 / 38= \\ 92 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 30 / 40= \\ 75 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 32 / 41 \\ & =78 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 19 / 22= \\ 86 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 23 / 38= \\ 61 \% \end{gathered}$ | 72.7\% | $\begin{gathered} 26 / 35= \\ 74 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 31 / 32=97 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 21 / 24=87.5 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 25 / 26=96 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 26 / 26=100 \\ \% \end{gathered}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Ingersoll (2003); Ingersoll, R., Merrill, L., \& Stuckey, D. (2014). Seven trends: the transformation of the teaching force, updated April 2014. CPRE Report (\#RR-80). Philadelphia: Consortium for Policy Research in Education, University of Pennsylvania. citing Perda, D. (2013). Transitions into and out of teaching: A longitudinal analysis of early career teacher turnover (Unpublished doctoral dissertation). University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

For the data on teacher retention for 2016-2017, data was gathered for 29/30 graduates. One graduate was not located. For the twenty-nine graduates, $100 \%$ entered the teaching profession. The data indicate the McDaniel graduates remain in teaching at a much higher rate than the national average of 50\%. For 2016-2017 graduates from McDaniel College, three have left the profession for reasons noted in the chart. However, 26 of the 29 who went into teaching have been teaching for all 5 years. This is a substantially higher rate compared to the national rate of those that remain in teaching.

Table 1.1: Teaching Locations for Program Completers Five Years After Program Completion

| Location | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fall } \\ 2006 \end{gathered}$ | Spring 2007 | $\begin{gathered} 2007- \\ 08 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008- \\ 09 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009- \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010- \\ 11 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011- \\ 12 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2012- \\ 13 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013- \\ 14 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014- \\ 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015- \\ 16 \end{gathered}$ | 2016-17 | Total to Date |
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| California |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 2 |
| College |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| Connecticut |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Florida |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 2 |  | 4 |


| International |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
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| MD - Anne Arundel |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 4 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 | 8 |
| MD - <br> Baltimore <br> City |  |  | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| MD - <br> Baltimore <br> County | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 |  | 2 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 32 |
| MD - <br> Caroline County |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| MD - <br> Carroll | 12 | 2 | 17 | 16 | 14 | 15 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 8 | 10 | 132 |
| MD - Cecil |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| MD Charles | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| MD - <br> Frederick |  | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 30 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { MD - } \\ & \text { Harford } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| MD Howard | 2 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 |  | 21 |
| MD - Kent |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| MD - <br> Montgomery | 3 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 29 |
| MD - Prince George's |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  | 6 |
| MD - Queen Anne's |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| MD - Talbot |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  | 2 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { MD - St } \\ & \text { Mary's } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| MD - <br> Washington |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| MD - <br> Wicomico | 1 |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| MD - <br> Worcester | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |


| Colorado |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New Jersey |  |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| New York |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 2 |
| Non-public | 2 |  |  | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2* |  | 18 |
| North Carolina |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 2 |
| Ohio |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |
| Pennsylvania | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |  |  | 2 |  | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 16 |
| Texas |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Virginia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  | 1 |  | 3 |
| West Virginia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 2 |
| TOTAL | 24 | 11 | 30 | 39 | 22 | 38 | 44 | 33 | 32 | 28 | 33 | 26 | 360 |

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