

Home Schooled Students at Tulsa Community College



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Home School -- The education of school-aged children under their parents' general monitoring, and it replaces full-time attendance at a campus school.

US Department of Education, 1999

- Some enroll part-time at a campus.
- Shared instruction with other home school students.

National Data

- 1.7% of total US students in 1999 to 2.2% in 2003 (NCES)
- Parents tend to have higher educational attainment.
- Two-Parent Family.
- Other demographic characteristics.
- From 1990-91 to 1995-96 National Growth is $\sim 20\%$.
- Estimates between 11% and 24% growth annually (Bunday, 2001).

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Academic Preparedness

- Rudner (1999)*: Homeschoolers tend to score higher on achievement tests compared to non-homeschoolers.
- Hadderman (2002): Homeschoolers score approximately 30 percentile points higher on SAT.

College Going Rate

Approximately 50% of home schooled students attend college (Wood, 2003) .

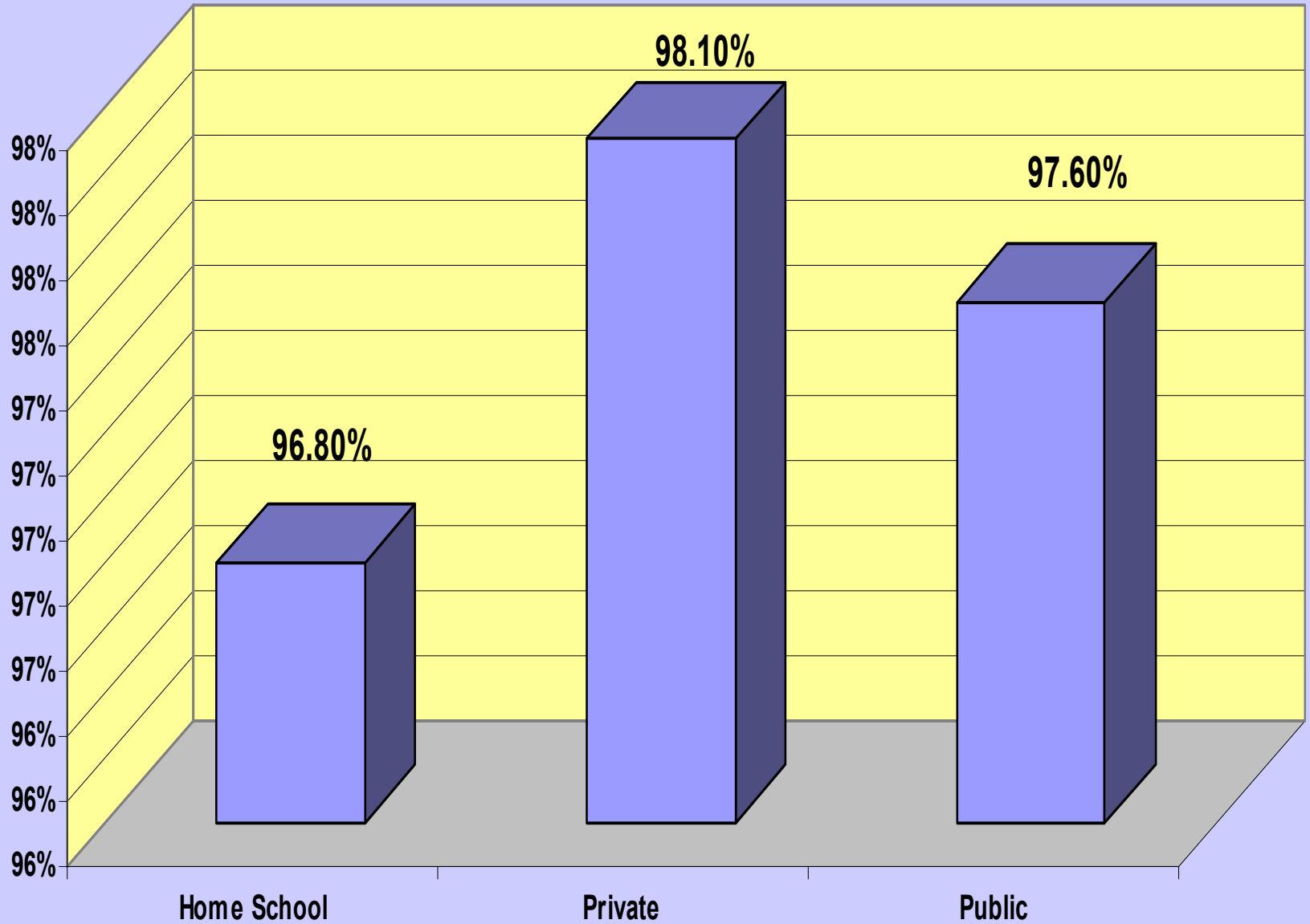
College Performance

- Persistence
- Completion
- GPA
- ACT

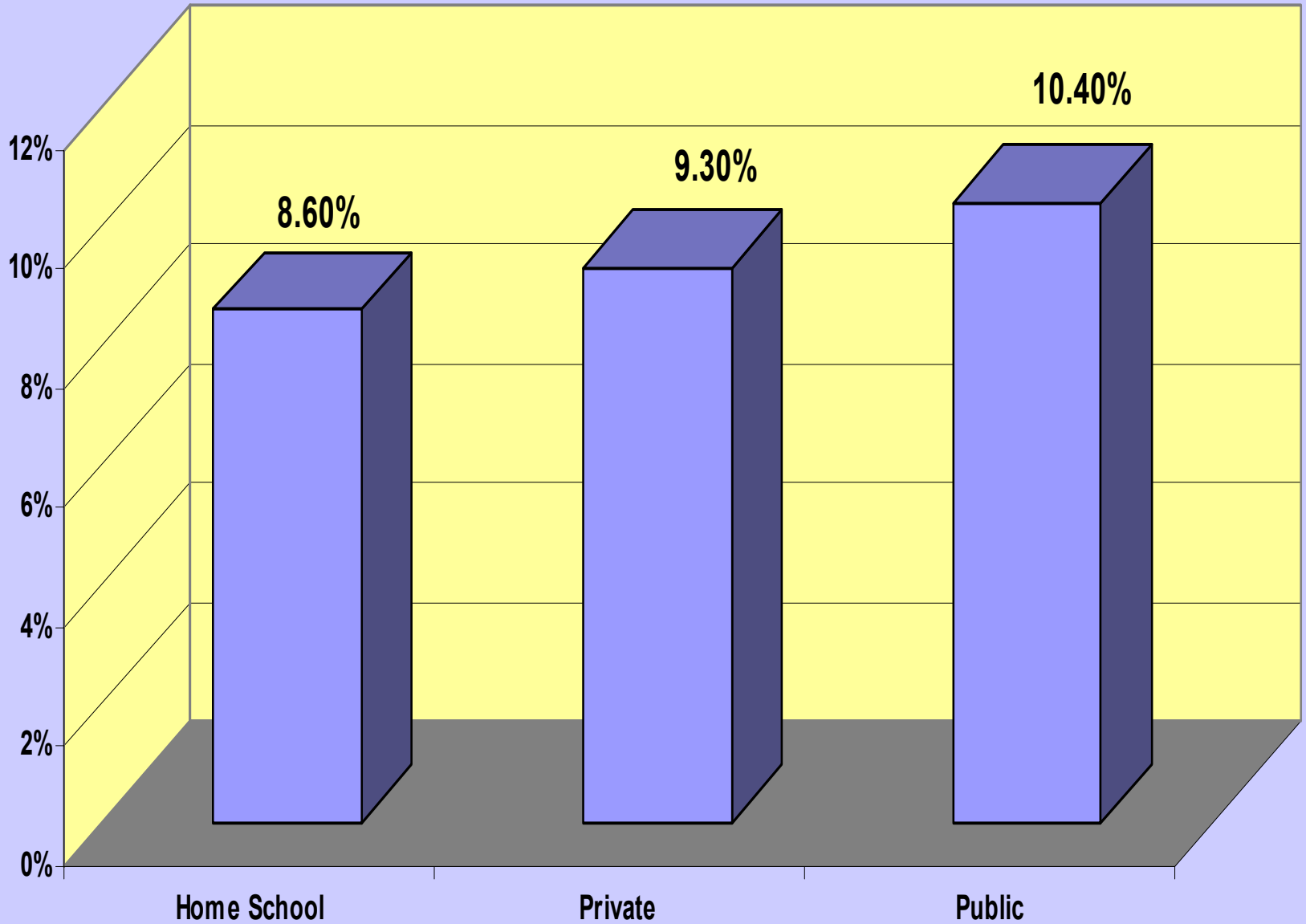
Sample Characteristics

- Fall 2000 to Spring 2004
- Direct from “high school”
 - . Home School
 - . Private School
 - . Public School
- No concurrent enrollments

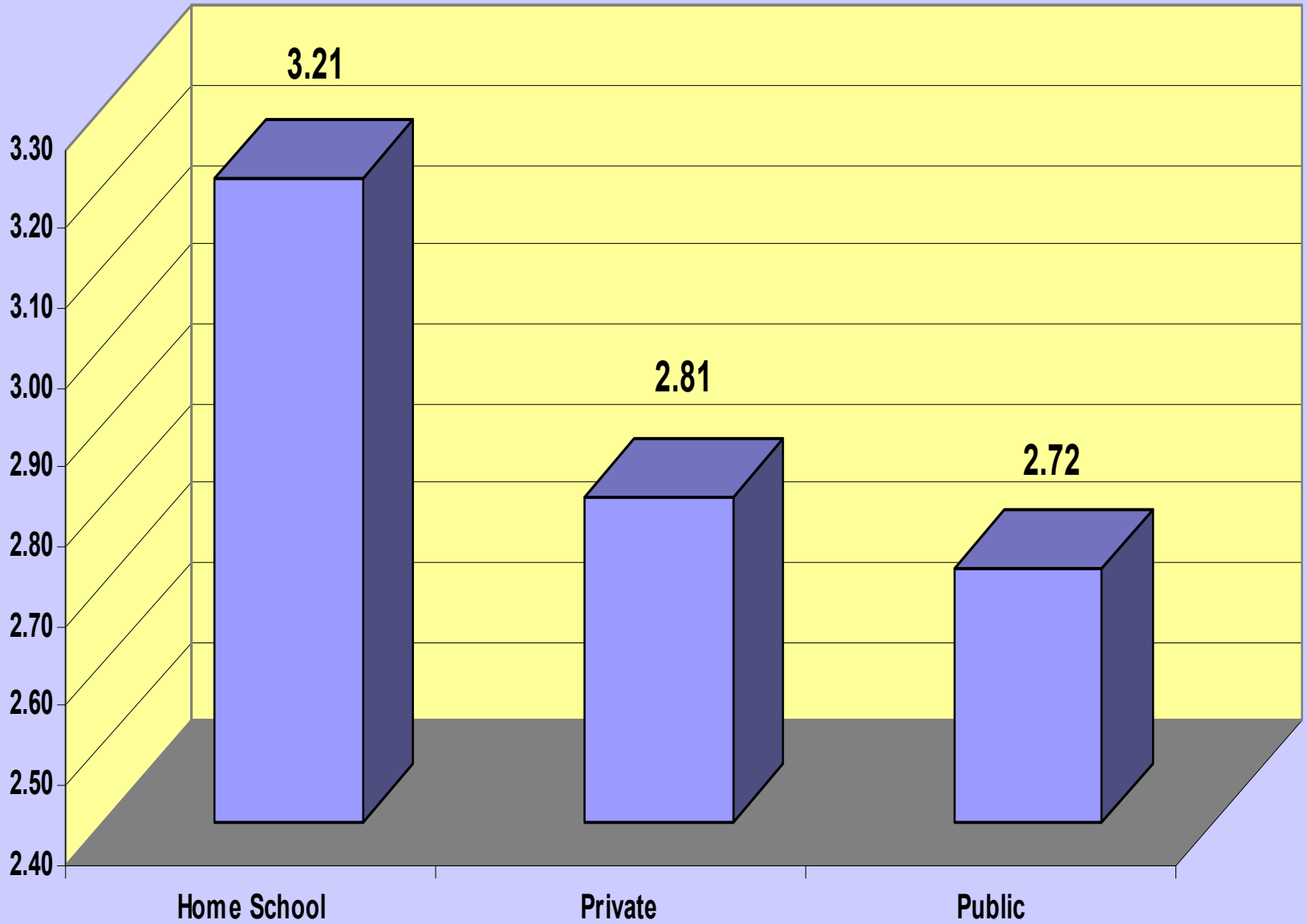
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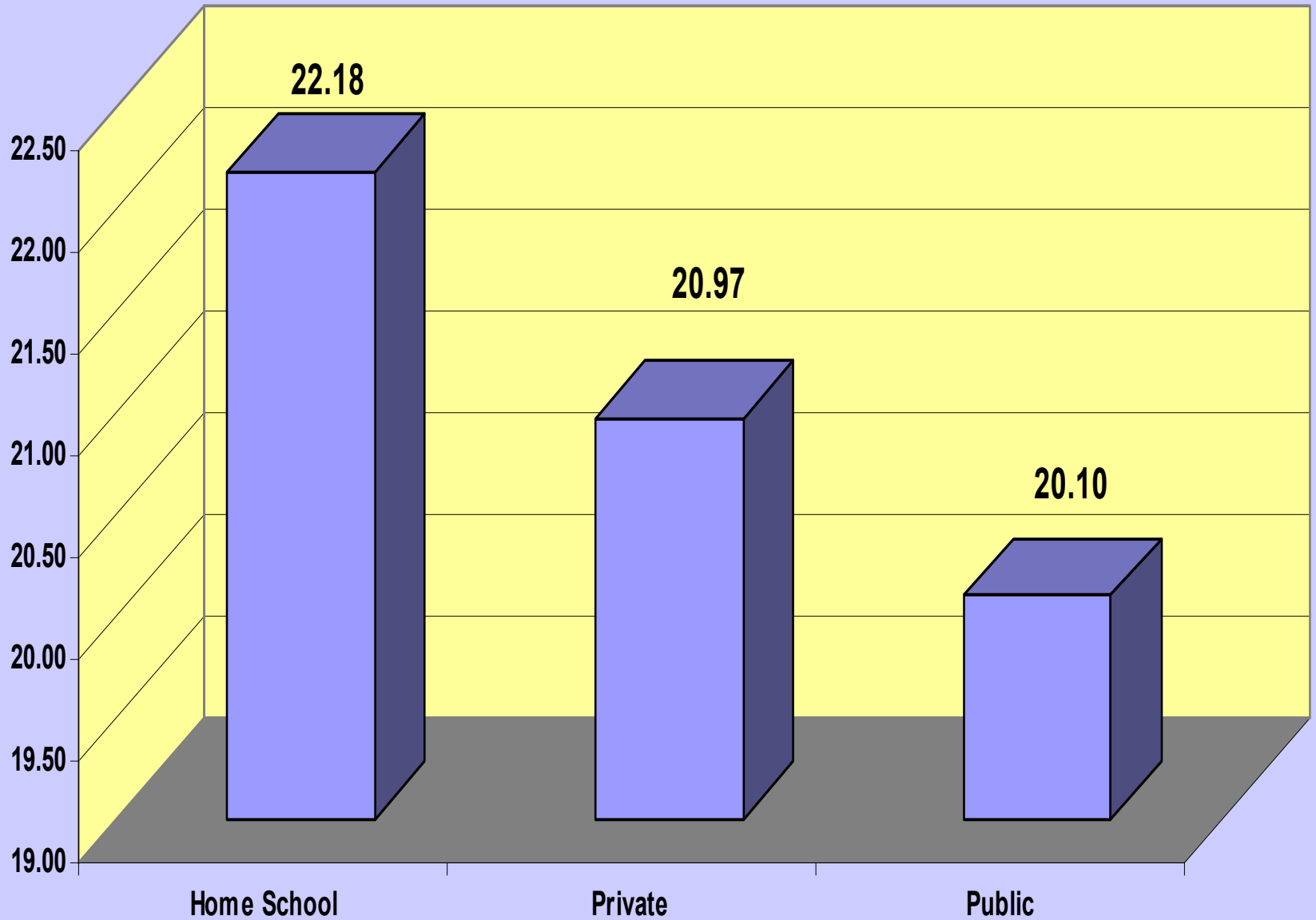
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ACT by High School Type



Where do we go from here?

- Examine common assumptions about the home school environment.
- Consider the implications for colleges and universities if enrollments continue to increase.
- Generate research questions based on available evidence.

Assumptions about Home School Environment

- Parental Involvement
- Small Classroom Learning
- Social Development

Implications for Colleges and Universities

- Growing population
- Admissions Requirements
- Increased focus on retention
- Faculty preparedness