

FAHS

Graduation Requirement Study



Background

● State of WI Increased Graduation Requirement

- From two credits to three credits of each math and science for class of 2017 students

● Local FAHS Adjustment

- .5 credit from 23 to 23.5 credits for class of 2017

Graduation Requirement Study-Process

1. Local & conference comparisons
2. Phone interviews
3. FAHS data review
4. Committee work
5. Gather feedback
6. Share information
7. Present to FASD Cabinet
8. Policy

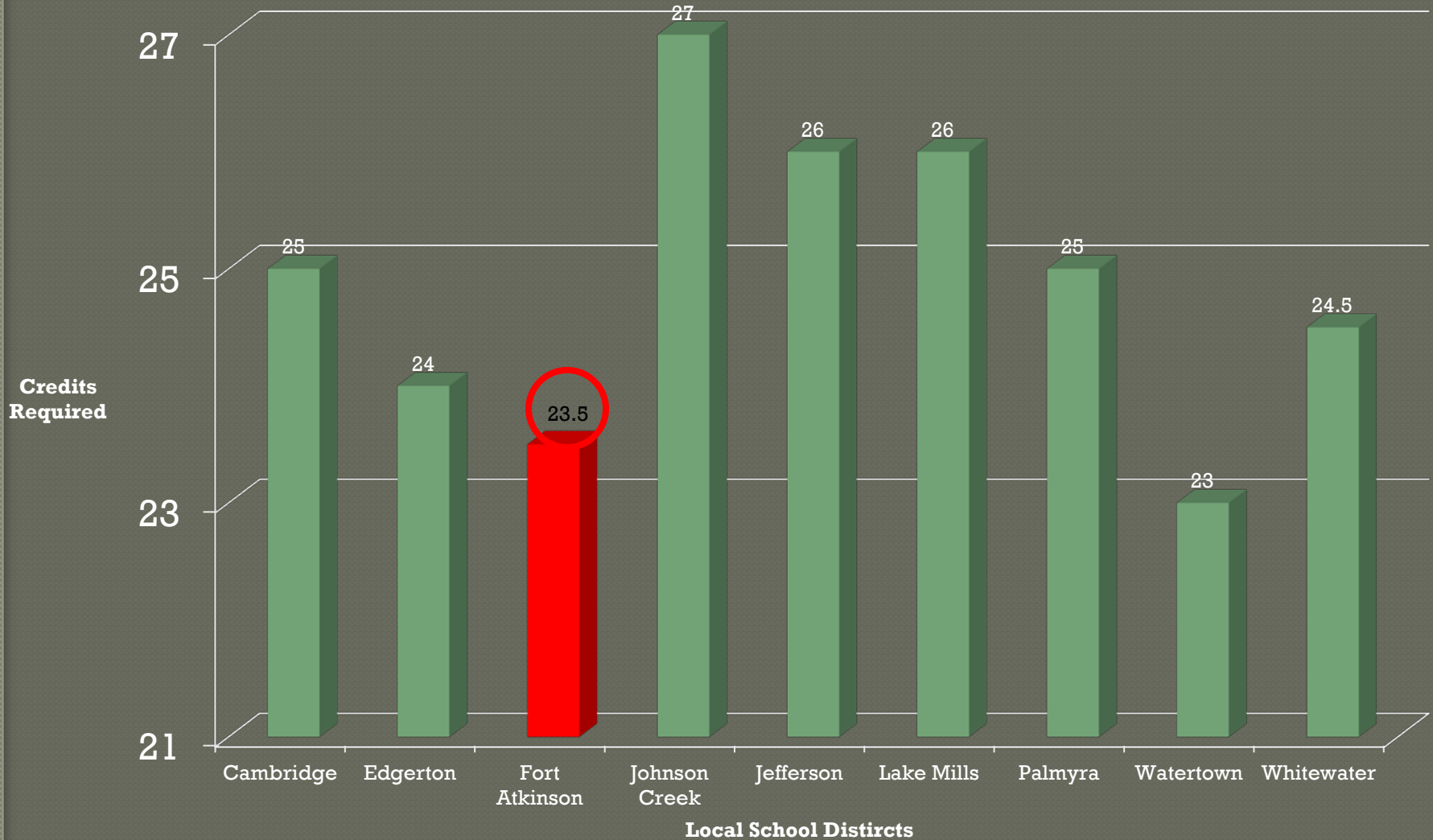
Graduation Committee

1. Principal & Associate Principals
2. Teacher representatives from High School departments
3. Director of Instruction
4. Pupil services staff

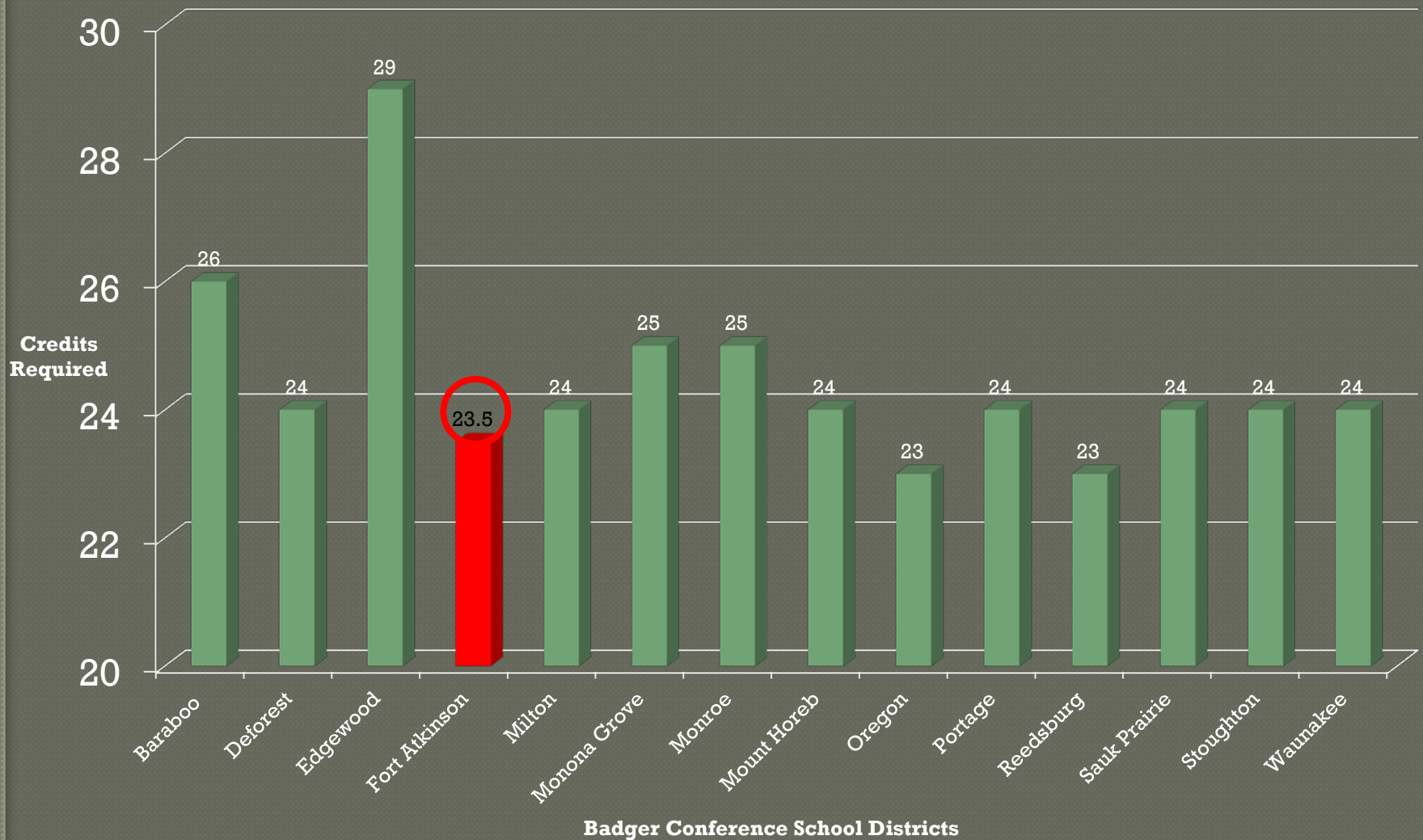
All data was collected in Fall
Group met from December through May

Current Comparable Data

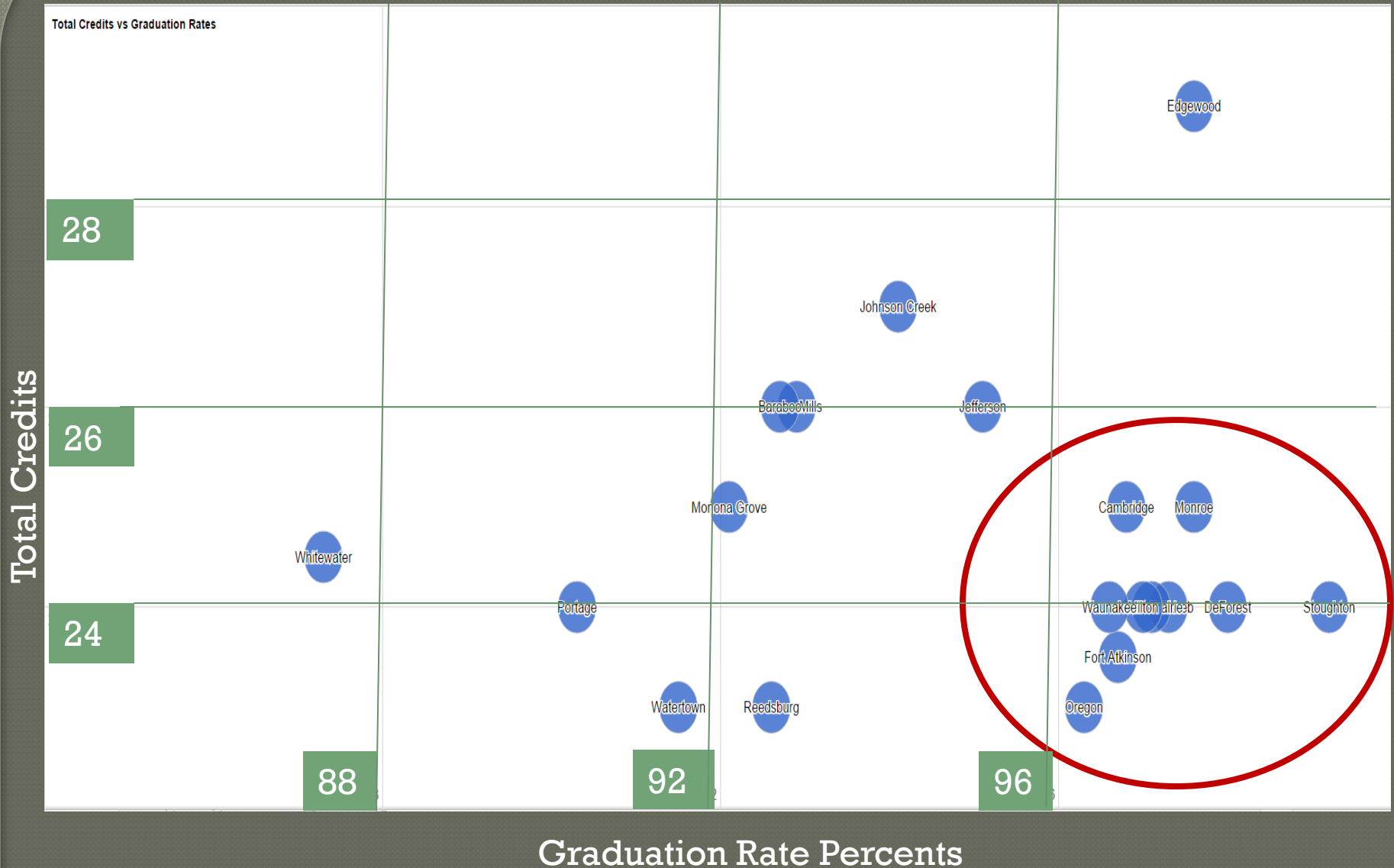
Local / Regional



Current Comparable Data Badger Conference



Scatter Plot



In our study found a correlation between credit requirement and graduation rate-Interesting-optimum area for increased graduation rates

FAHS Data

● Class of 2014:

- Average of 26.5 of Credits
- Percentage of Credits Earned:
 - 24 and above = 87% of students
 - 25 and above = 77% of students
 - 26 and above = 65% of students

● Longitudinal Look:

- Overall graduation rate average 96.7% (6 year Cohort – from 2013-2014 FAHS School Report Card)
- Past 4 years, average of 26.25 credits earned

Other considerations








- Intervention supports needed to assist in earning additional credits for students not in the majority of credit earners
- Overall impact of credit requirement increase on graduation rate
- Encourages options other than study hall
- Consensus for support of proposal of increase in requirements

Results-Proposal

The administration of Fort Atkinson High School recommends an increase in total credits required for graduation from Fort Atkinson High School from the current 23.5 to 24 credits.

It is recommended this change would begin with the class of 2019 (current freshmen class).

Among the proposed required credits are:

- English - 4 credits 
- Social Studies - 3 credits 
- Science (1 cr biological, 1 cr physical, 1 cr science elective) - 3 credits 
- Mathematics - 3 credits (must successfully complete Algebra 1) 
- Physical Education - 1½ credits 
- Relationship/Wellness (Health) - ½ credit 
- Career Pathways - ¼ credit-FAHS
- The remainder of the required credits (**NEW = 8.75**) come as student electives in coursework of their choosing.
( =8.5 elective credits minimum)

Questions?