



State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

Grades:	9-12 High	Principal:	Dr. Dixon Brooks
Enrollment:	1,358 students	Superintendent:	Dr. Venus J. Holland
School Phone:	803-822-5600	Board Chair:	Mr. Bill Bingham Jr.
School Website:	https://sites.google.com/a/lex2.org/schools-ahs/		



Profile of the SC Graduate

World Class Knowledge

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences*

World Class Skills

- Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- Knowing how to learn

Life and Career Characteristics

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by ...

Airport High School is helping all students develop the world-class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. We provide such an environment through the implementation of our school vision: "Through Achievement to the Stars."

Students at Airport HS are offered a choice of three world languages, Project Lead the Way engineering classes, advanced computer courses (including computer programming and animation), numerous Career and Technology courses including a cosmetology program that boasts a 100% pass rate on the state boards, an array of outstanding fine arts classes including theater and guitar, an advanced placement program that begins during the freshman year, and dual enrollment courses through our partnership with Midlands Technical College. This is just a cross section of how we are addressing the World Class Knowledge component of the Profile and providing our students with more opportunities for eventual employment in the global community.

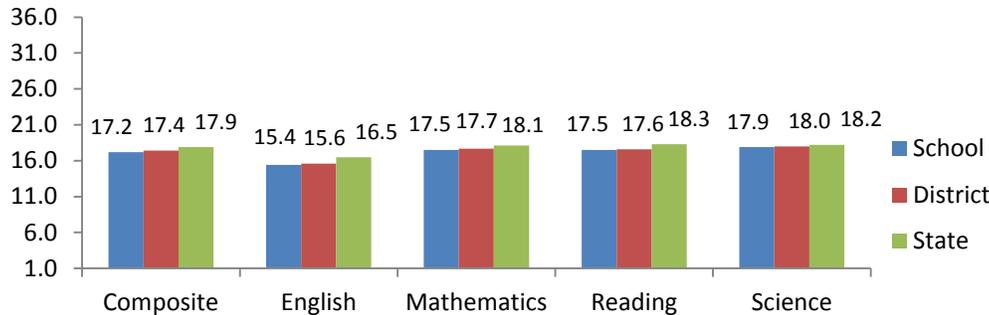
Student Government, yet again, raised the bar in their support of Camp Kemo by raising over \$54,000. This effort allowed over 100 young cancer warriors to attend the weeklong camp at little to no cost. Additionally, the Student Government won the Gold Honor Council Award and the Silver Gavel Award recognizing our group as the second strongest in the state. We also had a student elected as the Region 3 Representative on the National Association of Student Council Advisory Board. In addition, Airport HS was recognized as an Aflac Duckprint Award winner for contributing over \$300,000 to Camp Kemo over the past 11 years.

Our JROTC finished first in the State Competition again and FOURTH in the NATION! Our Technology Student Association (TSA) continued their success by finishing second in the state and earning the right to compete at Nationals in Dallas, TX. These are just a few of the ways that we are developing World Class Skill components that include creativity and innovation as well as critical thinking and problem solving, taught to all students in the school.

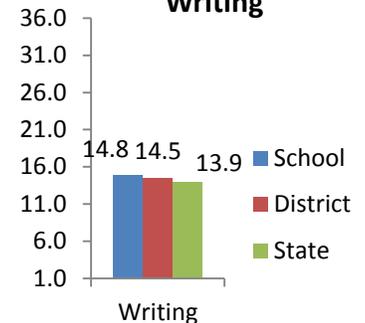
Ben Moseley, SIC Chair
Dr. Dixon Brooks, Principal

KNOWLEDGE

Average ACT Score Achieved by Students: English, Math, Reading, Science, Composite of all four tests, 2015



Average ACT Score Achieved by Students: Writing

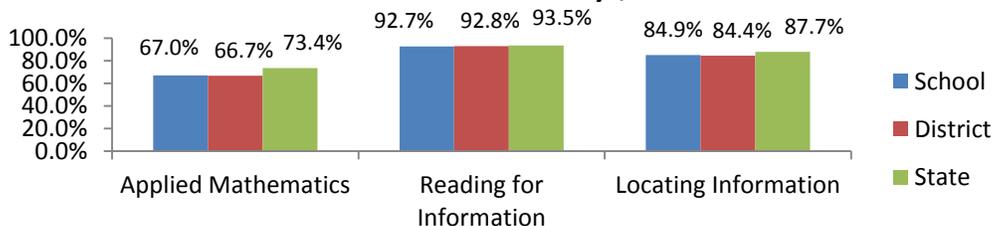


The ACT, a college readiness assessment, was given to every South Carolina 11th grader in 2015 with the exception of those eligible for alternate assessments. The ACT scores range from 0 to 36. The district and state averages are included for comparison. State averages for ACT data are based on regular public schools and do not include private schools in the state.

Percent of Students Meeting ACT College-Ready Benchmarks, 2015				
English Benchmark Score: 18	Math Benchmark Score: 22	Reading Benchmark Score: 22	Science Benchmark Score: 23	All 4 Subjects
30.4	19.3	23.1	15	9.8

ACT benchmarks are scores on the ACT subject-area tests that represent the level of achievement required for students to have a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75% chance of obtaining a C or higher in corresponding credit-bearing first-year college courses.

Percent of Students Meeting Platinum, Gold, or Silver Threshold on WorkKeys, 2015



ACT WorkKeys is a job skills assessment system measuring "real world" skills that employers believe are critical in the workplace. The assessment is given to every South Carolina 11th grader with the exception of those eligible for alternative assessments. The assessment consists of three subtests: Applied Mathematics, Reading for Information, and Locating Information. Students can earn certificates at the Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze level on WorkKeys assessments.

The ACT is a registered trademark of ACT, Inc.

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SAT Performance				
Percent of Students Tested	Average Critical Reading Score	Average Math Score	Average Writing Score	Average Composite Score
34.6	463	467	451	1381

The highest composite score on the SAT is a 2400. For each of the three sections of the test, the highest score is 800.

End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours	State
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	81.7	78.1	85.7
English 1	64.0	63.1	75.1
Biology 1	84.3	73.1	77.8
US History and the Constitution	67.6	59.4	69.1
All Subjects	74.7	68.2	77.3

High Schools with Students Like Ours are high schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

OUTCOMES

State Graduation Rate	
Four-Year	Five-Year
80.3	82.0

School Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	2014	2013	2012
82.2	72.6	70.7	69.8

School Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	2014	2013	2012
75.9	73.1	75.0	66.7

Percentage of Seniors Eligible for LIFE Scholarship		
Our School	District	State
62.0	50.4	42.2

Percentage of Students from 2014 Graduating Class Enrolled in a two- or four-year college or technical college pursuing an associates degree, certificate, or diploma in Fall 2014		
Our School	District	State
57.9	60.1	70.3

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OPPORTUNITIES**For students to meet the profile of the SC Graduate**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with students like ours
Students (n = 1,358)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	72.4	Down from 76.9%	N/A
Attendance Rate	93.0	Down from 98.6%	94.0
With disabilities	17.0	Up from 14.1%	12.5
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.6	Down from 0.9%	0.9
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	21.9	Down from 23.2%	17.1
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	10.7	Down from 15.8%	12.8
Successful in AP/IB programs	36.4	Down from 42.7%	50.6
Career/tech students in co-curricular organizations	4.2	Down from 5.3%	2.0
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1309	Up from 851	734
Students participating in work-based experiences	31.9	Down from 59.1%	11.8
Number of seniors who have completed FAFSA forms	181	N/A	203
Percentage of seniors completing college applications	N/A	N/A	70.8
Number of students in dual enrollment courses	74	N/A	62
Success rate of students in dual enrollment courses	96.0	N/A	96.1
Annual dropout rate	2.7	Up from 2.1%	2.6
Dropout recovery rate	5.7	N/A	5.4
Percentage of students retained	2.0	Down from 3.8%	3.0
Teachers (n = 86)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	68.6	Up from 64.7%	63.5
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	83.7	Down from 84.7%	77.8
Teachers returning from previous year	88.1	Down from 88.7%	87.4
Teacher attendance rate	93.8	Down from 94.5%	95.5
Average teacher salary*	\$50,766	Down 0.1%	\$48,120
Professional development days / teacher	16.1 days	Up from 13.4 days	11.4 days
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.7	Up from 0.9%	2.5
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.6

Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents**Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	80	188	29
Percent satisfied with learning environment	76.3	72.4	75.8
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	77.8	61.2	66.7
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	59.3	76.6	60.0

* Only students in grade 11 and their parents were included.

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	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with students like ours
School			
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	30.3 to 1	Up from 27.6 to 1	27.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.3	Down from 91.7%	87.9
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Excellent	N/A	Poor
Dual enrollment courses offered	26.0	N/A	12.0
Are online or blended (50% online) courses offered	N/A	N/C	N/A
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0	Up from 99.2%	99.8
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good
Avg. Age of books/electronic media in the school library	15.0	N/A	15.2
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	13.6	N/A	23.1
Bandwidth capacity per student	N/A	N/C	N/A
District-issued technology devices per teacher	N/A	N/C	1.9
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	N/A	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	N/A	N/C	0.9
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,335	Up 9.2%	\$8,635
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.0	Up from 65.8%	57.8
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	68.0	Up from 66.1%	59.3

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

State Ratings History of School

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Good	Below Average
2013	Good	Good
2012	Average	Average

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

Additional Resources

SC State Content Standards
[Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards](#)
[2014-15 Accountability Manual](#)
[Report Card Data Files](#)
[ESEA Data Files](#)

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