




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:	Alvin D. Pressley
Enrollment:	708 students	Superintendent:	Dr. Craig A. Witherspoon
School Phone:	803-714-2500	Board Chair:	Cheryl Harris
School Website:	http://keenan.richlandone.org/		



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

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 ...

W. J. Keenan High School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by continuing to increase student achievement. We will focus on continuing to make gains on all standardized tests such as SAT, ACT, and EOCEP. Additionally, we will focus on improving the graduation rate, attendance rate, and retention rates at each grade level.

Keenan High School students with a taste for adventure and an interest in engineering have the opportunity to participate in ACCElerate, a new virtual engineering program designed to help high school students' jumpstart their engineering degrees and careers. Richland One is one of the first eight school districts in the state selected to partner with the prestigious South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics (SC GSSM), which is located in Hartsville. Students will remain at their home high schools while participating in virtual classes, Saturday team projects and summer internships.

Keenan is a High Schools That Work (HSTW) site. All teachers are trained in the utilization of "best practices" to increase the academic success of each student. Areas of focus include literacy, development of senior projects, data driven decisions, career and technical training. During 2010-2011 we implemented College Summit to improve post-secondary education opportunities and preparation of our seniors. Additionally, we are a PBIS (Positive Behavior and Intervention Strategy) school developing strategies to recognize students for their positive behavior and achievements. All teachers are assigned to PLC (Professional Learning Communities) to develop instructional strategies to better serve our students. Our faculty, staff, students and parents work together as a team to make certain all students at Keenan are successful. I. DeQuincy Newman United Methodist Church has maintained a strong partnership assisting with our ninth grade population of students and their academic success.

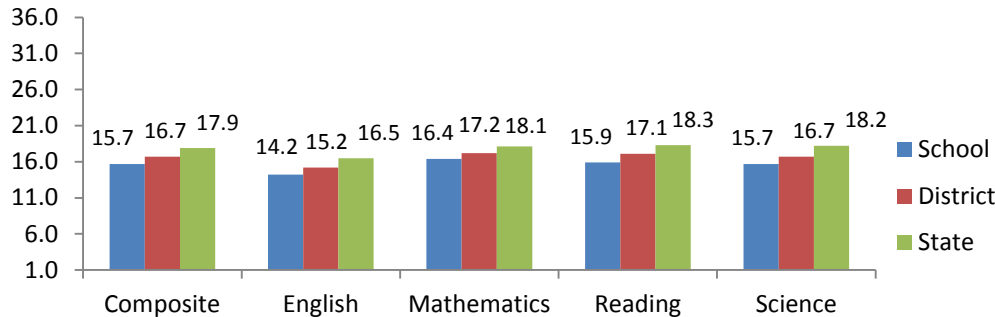
Keenan has been recognized for the following: 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 Palmetto Silver Award by the state of South Carolina for making substantial progress in closing the achievement gap; 2011-2012 Palmetto Gold Award for general performance. During the 2014-2015 school year W. J. Keenan received national STEM accreditation as determined by STEM Certification Review conducted by AdvancED. We are proud of our accomplishments and will work hard every day to reach higher levels of success.

Alvin D. Pressley, Principal
 Carlos Primus, School Improvement Chairperson

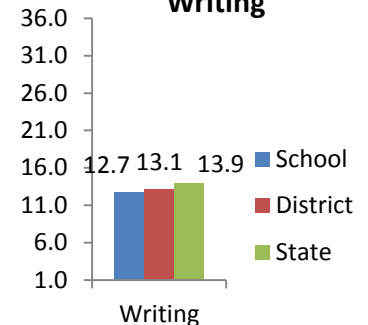
* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

KNOWLEDGE

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



Average ACT Score Achieved by Students: Writing

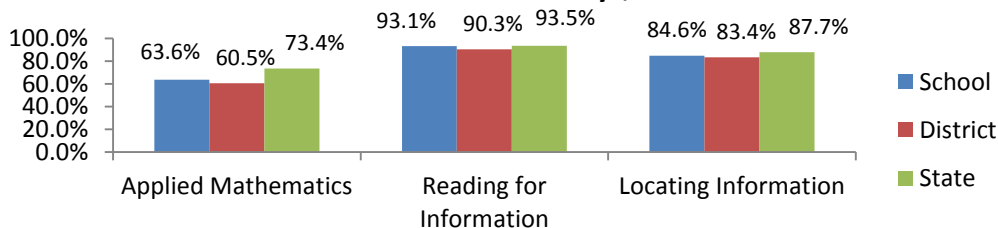


The ACT, a college readiness assessment, was given to every South Carolina 11th grader in 2015 with the exception of those eligible for alternate assessments. The ACT scores range from 0 to 36. The district and state averages are included for comparison. State averages for ACT data are based on regular 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
22	8	10.7	5.3	0.7

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
48.2	426	430	404	1259

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	79.5	70.6	85.7
English 1	59.2	53.5	75.1
Biology 1	63.4	61.2	77.8
US History and the Constitution	57.5	48.4	69.1
All Subjects	64.0	58.3	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
80.4	79.5	74.1	74.7

School Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	2014	2013	2012
86.1	80.9	78.8	74.9

Percentage of Seniors Eligible for LIFE Scholarship		
Our School	District	State
27.8	28.3	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
52.6	62.8	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 = 708)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	89.3	Down from 91.9%	N/A
Attendance Rate	92.5	Down from 93.1%	93.1
With disabilities	16.5	Up from 14.3%	14.7
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.6	Up from 0.0%	1.3
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	24.3	Up from 21.4%	11.4
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	22.4	Down from 24.6%	8.0
Successful in AP/IB programs	15.2	Down from 15.3%	12.7
Career/tech students in co-curricular organizations	6.6	Down from 15.4%	2.4
Enrollment in career/technology courses	707	Up from 364	444
Students participating in work-based experiences	16.5	Down from 42.6%	7.1
Number of seniors who have completed FAFSA forms	75	N/A	74
Percentage of seniors completing college applications	N/A	N/A	72.2
Number of students in dual enrollment courses	43	N/A	34
Success rate of students in dual enrollment courses	97.0	N/A	91.0
Annual dropout rate	2.3	No change	1.9
Dropout recovery rate	6.3	N/A	6.0
Percentage of students retained	6.1	Down from 7.9%	4.4
Teachers (n = 51)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	72.5	Up from 70.6%	60.0
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	74.5	Up from 68.6%	64.3
Teachers returning from previous year	84.2	Up from 83.4%	79.8
Teacher attendance rate	94.1	Down from 95.1%	95.8
Average teacher salary*	\$50,300	Down 0.2%	\$46,295
Professional development days / teacher	8.0 days	Down from 10.6 days	10.6 days
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	8.9	Up from 6.1%	8.8
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	1.4

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

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	37	123	24
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.8	70.7	75.0
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.6	72.5	87.5
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	70.2	82.2	66.6

* 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	6.0	Up from 5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.3 to 1	Up from 20.0 to 1	21.3 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.2	Down from 86.4%	87.4
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Excellent	N/A	Poor
Dual enrollment courses offered	14.0	N/A	7.0
Are online or blended (50% online) courses offered	N/A	N/C	N/A
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	94.1	Down from 97.5%	100.0
Character development program	Good	No change	Good
Avg. Age of books/electronic media in the school library	15.0	N/A	15.4
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	21.7	N/A	29.2
Bandwidth capacity per student	<25 Mbps	N/C	N/A
District-issued technology devices per teacher	1.4	N/C	2.1
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	1.8	N/C	0.8
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$10,840	Up 1.9%	\$10,753
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.5	Up from 60.1%	54.5
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	62.0	Up from 60.7%	56.3

* 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	Average	Below Average
2013	Average	Below Average
2012	Average	Below Average

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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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