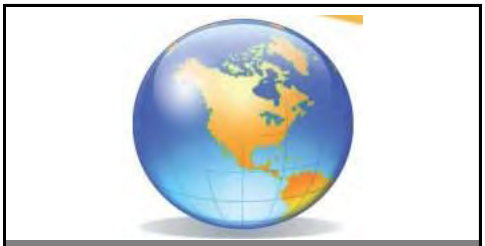
Chester Senior High
1330 J.A. Cochran
Chester, SC 29706



South Carolina State Report Card

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:**	Martin Tiller
Enrollment:	835 students	**Superintendent:**	Dr. Agnes Slayman
School Phone:	803-377-3161	**Board Chair:**	Mrs. Denise Lawson
School Website:	http://chester.chs.schooldesk.net/		



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.

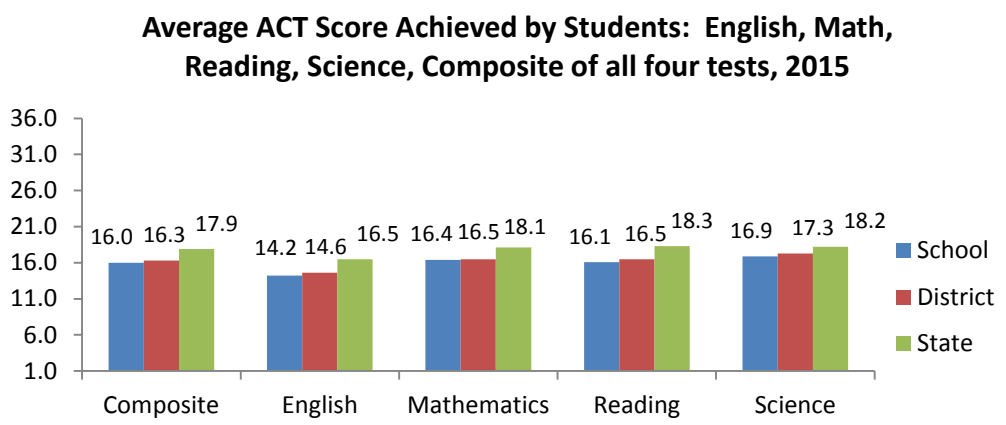
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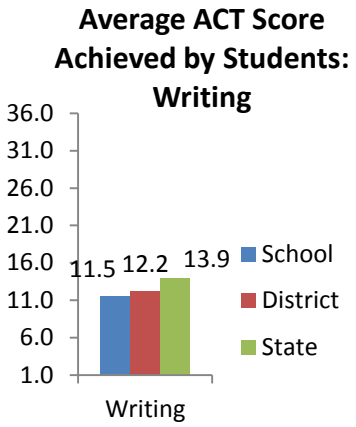
Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by …

Chester Senior 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 creating a culture of high expectations that focuses on the Chester Senior High School 4 C's: Communication, Collaboration, Creativity and Critical Thinking. The tremendous strength of CHS is our dedicated faculty and students. Also, CHS is a safe and caring environment where all students can develop world class skills and knowledge. CHS implements the district-wide 1-to-1 hiTEC technology initiative which actively engage students in a 21st century digital society. Additionally, we are currently is in the process of strengthening its collaboration with the career center to prepare their students for the new growth in the economy and the expansion of industry into Chester County and neighboring counties. Also, CHS is continually seeking and implementing increased opportunities for our students in Advanced Placement and dual-credit courses. Presently, students are offered opportunities to take select college courses through collaboration with both York Technical College and USC Lancaster.

The challenge for Chester Senior High School is to transition the entire school to a higher level of expectations through a more rigorous and engaging curriculum with technology infused throughout, in order to ensure career and college readiness of all students. Teachers will continue to collaborate through much stronger Professional Learning Communities and will provide each student with the world-class knowledge and skills to be college and career ready. Both faculty and students will celebrate their progress. By continuing to focus on the 4 C's to create higher expectations for all students, CHS strives to become the model for Chester County.
Mr. Martin Tiller, Principal

KNOWLEDGE

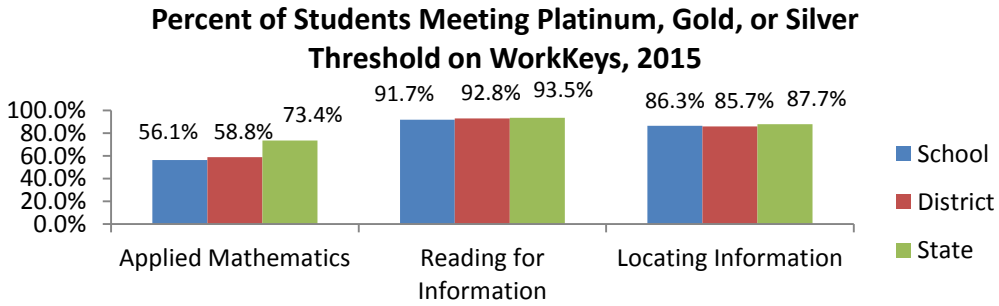




The ACT, a college readiness assessment, was given to every South Carolina 11th grader in 2015 with the exception of those eligible for alternate assessments. The ACT scores range from 0 to 36. The district and state averages are included for comparison. State averages for ACT data are based on regular 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
21	8.7	10.8	9.2	3.1

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.



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.

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SAT Performance				
Percent of Students Tested	Average Critical Reading Score	Average Math Score	Average Writing Score	Average Composite Score
14.3	476	490	462	1429

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	85.4	77.7	85.7
English 1	59.4	60.8	75.1
Biology 1	56.3	69.6	77.8
US History and the Constitution	49.2	59.5	69.1
All Subjects	63.4	67.2	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**
75.0	68.5	66.9	69.3

School Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	**2014**	**2013**	**2012**
69.9	69.8	73.4	69.6

Percentage of Seniors Eligible for LIFE Scholarship		
Our School	**District**	**State**
40.0	**35.5**	**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**
59.3	**57.8**	**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 = 835)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	78.2	Down from 82.9%	N/A
Attendance Rate	93.0	Down from 94.2%	93.9
With disabilities	11.7	Up from 11.1%	13.2
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	3.1	Down from 4.1%	1.1
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	21.2	Up from 19.2%	16.2
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	19.8	Up from 14.1%	12.4
Successful in AP/IB programs	12.7	Down from 26.6%	36.5
Career/tech students in co-curricular organizations	0.0	Down from 19.2%	8.0
Enrollment in career/technology courses	808	Up from 120	644
Students participating in work-based experiences	28.3	Down from 100.0%	6.7
Number of seniors who have completed FAFSA forms	107	N/A	136
Percentage of seniors completing college applications	N/A	N/A	74.2
Number of students in dual enrollment courses	19	N/A	47
Success rate of students in dual enrollment courses	100.0	N/A	99.4
Annual dropout rate	4.6	Up from 3.4%	2.5
Dropout recovery rate	0.0	N/A	2.6
Percentage of students retained	5.7	Down from 9.3%	3.1
Teachers (n = 46)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	52.2	Down from 58.7%	58.3
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	73.9	Down from 78.3%	73.9
Teachers returning from previous year	82.0	Down from 83.9%	82.2
Teacher attendance rate	94.3	Up from 93.2%	95.4
Average teacher salary*	$47,048	Down 2.1%	$46,682
Professional development days / teacher	10.1 days	Down from 11.4 days	10.9 days
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.3	Up from 1.1%	3.9
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.5

Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	39	162	73
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.8	50.0	68.5
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.5	55.9	50.7
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	53.9	73.9	56.9

* 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	24.8 to 1	Up from 24.7 to 1	25.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.7	Up from 86.3%	87.7
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Good	N/A	Poor
Dual enrollment courses offered	2.0	N/A	9.0
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	No change	99.9
Character development program	Poor	Down from Fair	Good
Avg. Age of books/electronic media in the school library	26.0	N/A	14.8
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	19.3	N/A	25.6
Bandwidth capacity per student	50-100 Mbps	N/C	N/A
District-issued technology devices per teacher	1.2	N/C	1.9
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.8	N/C	1.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	$7,124	Up 2.9%	$9,385
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	50.8	Up from 50.6%	55.9
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	51.0	Down from 51.6%	57.2

* 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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