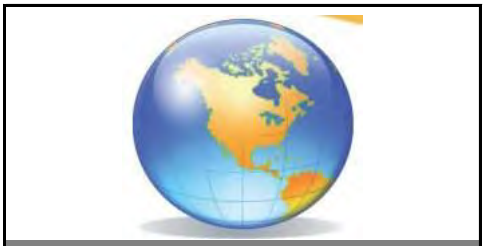
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South Carolina State Report Card

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:**	Daniel H. Matthews
Enrollment:	940 students	**Superintendent:**	Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.
School Phone:	803-425-8930	**Board Chair:**	Ron Blackmon
School Website:	http://chs.kcsdschools.com/		



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 …

Camden High School helps all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate. By embracing our motto, "Commitment to Excellence," our school is on the cusp of realizing its academic promise. Our instructional focuses of student engagement, technology infusion, and academic writing "graduate students who are confident, competent, and responsible citizens," ready to take their place in a global society. Our district's i-CAN initiative puts a HP Elite Tablet in the hands of every student, and teachers maximize that investment by infusing technology into their classes.

Students have ample opportunities to pursue their creative interests and to produce original work. Artwork and student writing is on display throughout the school, and students also have opportunities for displaying artwork throughout the community. Additionally, our students have the opportunity to work with professional dancers and musicians, produce and act in plays, and participate in talent shows.

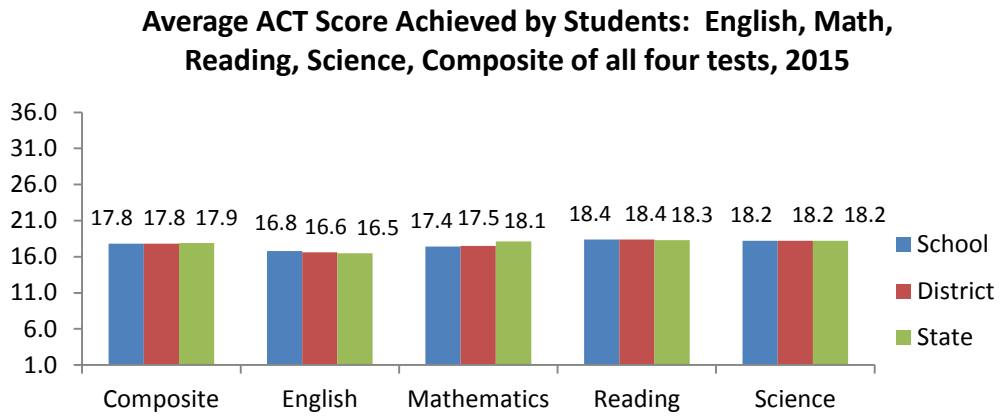
All students have the opportunity to attend ATEC (Advanced Technology Education Campus) to explore both careers and post-secondary education. Our teachers work closely with outside agencies in an effort to prepare students for future employment, and our students meet with counselors for work-related training. In our HS101 course, which is required for all freshmen, career exploration is completed with collaboration with our guidance department. Guidance and HS 101 teachers work with students on career goals and assessments, career exploration and research, resume and job applications, and interviewing skills culminating with a thorough career portfolio.

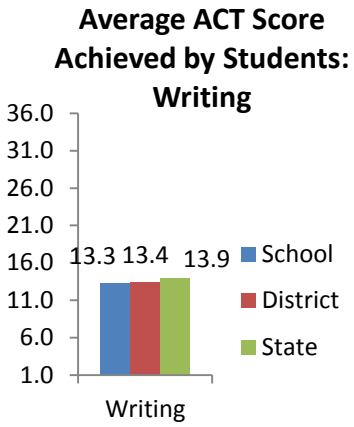
As a school, we recognize we are at our best when we serve others. Our students pride themselves on giving back to our community. Whether through our rivalry week competition raising money for the United Way, committing to Relay for Life, working on Habitat Homes, mentoring in our elementary and middle schools, promoting Cancer Awareness with Dig Pink, or supporting the Make-a-Wish Foundation, our students and staff are committed to serving our community.

We enjoy a great deal of community support. By constantly striving to become the school we should be, can be, and will be, it is then that we will honor and live up to their trust in us. We appreciate the partnership between our community, students, parents, and staff which makes Camden High School a 21st century school of excellence.

Dan Matthews, Principal
Rick Todd, School Improvement Council Chairperson

KNOWLEDGE

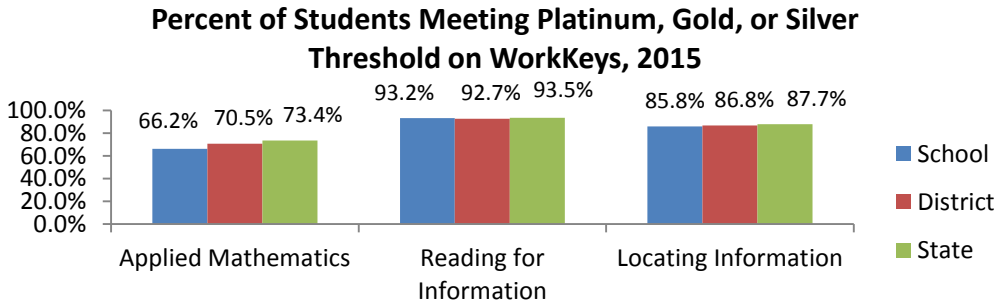




The ACT, a college readiness assessment, was given to every South Carolina 11th grader in 2015 with the exception of those eligible for alternate assessments. The ACT scores range from 0 to 36. The district and state averages are included for comparison. State averages for ACT data are based on regular 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
40.4	18.3	28.9	17.1	11.1

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.

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
64.1	467	482	452	1401

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	88.5	82.8	85.7
English 1	66.9	70.6	75.1
Biology 1	82.6	79.4	77.8
US History and the Constitution	65.3	69.8	69.1
All Subjects	75.5	75.3	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**
87.3	80.5	81.4	71.5

School Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	**2014**	**2013**	**2012**
79.8	81.4	77.1	100.0

Percentage of Seniors Eligible for LIFE Scholarship		
Our School	**District**	**State**
34.3	**33.8**	**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**
73.2	**72.6**	**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 = 940)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	61.7	Down from 67.2%	N/A
Attendance Rate	94.8	Down from 96.3%	94.2
With disabilities	8.9	Up from 8.6%	11.7
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.8	Up from 1.4%	1.2
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	29.6	Down from 36.4%	22.6
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	25.7	Down from 47.2%	20.8
Successful in AP/IB programs	45.5	Up from 43.8%	49.1
Career/tech students in co-curricular organizations	0.0	No change	2.9
Enrollment in career/technology courses	921	Up from 299	1107
Students participating in work-based experiences	1.7	Up from 0.0%	14.1
Number of seniors who have completed FAFSA forms	127	N/A	297
Percentage of seniors completing college applications	71.8	N/A	70.1
Number of students in dual enrollment courses	80	N/A	73
Success rate of students in dual enrollment courses	97.0	N/A	96.8
Annual dropout rate	1.2	Down from 1.5%	2.5
Dropout recovery rate	0.0	N/A	6.8
Percentage of students retained	3.6	Down from 5.5%	2.6
Teachers (n = 56)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	58.9	Down from 66.1%	67.3
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	76.8	Down from 78.6%	81.8
Teachers returning from previous year	81.0	Down from 85.9%	87.9
Teacher attendance rate	95.4	Down from 95.7%	95.3
Average teacher salary*	$48,118	Down 3.6%	$50,235
Professional development days / teacher	14.5 days	Down from 15.5 days	12.4 days
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0	No change	1.5
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.4

Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	49	120	41
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.9	79.2	92.7
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	82.5	79.5
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.8	87.6	73.2

* 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	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.1 to 1	Down from 29.3 to 1	28.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.6	Down from 90.8%	88.2
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent
Opportunities in foreign languages	Excellent	N/A	Poor
Dual enrollment courses offered	23.0	N/A	10.0
Are online or blended (50% online) courses offered	N/A	N/C	N/A
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	96.6	Down from 98.3%	99.5
Character development program	Good	No change	Good
Avg. Age of books/electronic media in the school library	18.0	N/A	13.7
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	10.5	N/A	20.2
Bandwidth capacity per student	<25 Mbps	N/C	N/A
District-issued technology devices per teacher	2.6	N/C	1.8
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	1.1	N/C	0.7
Dollars spent per pupil**	$7,651	Up 5.1%	$7,817
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	52.7	Up from 52.5%	58.2
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	54.0	Up from 53.5%	59.9

* 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	Below Average
2012	Good	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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