

Student Achievement

PSSA's and Keystone Exams
2016-17 School Year

PSSA's – Grade 3 Proficient/Advanced

ELA

- › 2015 – 73.1%⁺¹¹
- › 2016 – 71.2%⁺¹⁰
- › 2017 – 68.6%⁺⁴

MATH

- › 2015 – 53.7%⁺⁶
- › 2016 – 61.4%⁺⁷
- › 2017 – 60.0%^{+5.5}

- › **Numbers in red** indicate percentage points above or below the state average.

PSSA's – Grade 4 Proficient/Advanced

ELA

› 2015 – 79.3%⁺²⁰

› 2016 – 69.9%⁺¹¹

› 2017 – 70.9%⁺¹⁰

SCIENCE

› 2015 – 92.1%⁺¹⁵

› 2016 – 85.7%⁺¹⁰

› 2017 – 91.9%^{+17.4}

MATH

› 2015 – 51%⁺⁶

› 2016 – 53.7%⁺⁷

› 2017 – 61.5%^{+14.9}

PSSA's – Grade 5 Proficient/Advanced

ELA

› 2015 – 74.6%⁺¹³

› 2016 – 74.1%⁺¹³

› 2017 – 61.8%^{+2.2}

MATH

› 2015 – 41.1%⁻²

› 2016 – 46.9%⁺³

› 2017 – 50.0%^{+6.2}

PSSA's – Grade 6 Proficient/Advanced

ELA

› 2015 – 70.3%⁺¹⁰

› 2016 – 66.5%⁺⁵

› 2017 – 72.8%^{+9.2}

MATH

› 2015 – 48.4%⁺⁸

› 2016 – 41.0%⁺⁰

› 2017 – 36.7%^{-3.6}

PSSA's – Grade 7 Proficient/Advanced

ELA

› 2015 – 71.0%⁺¹²

› 2016 – 69.4%⁺⁸

› 2017 – 66.1%^{+6.6}

MATH

› 2015 – 44.7%⁺¹²

› 2016 – 43.8%⁺⁷

› 2017 – 34.9%^{-2.9}

PSSA's – Grade 8 Proficient/Advanced

ELA

› 2015 – 73.8%⁺¹⁶

› 2016 – 81.1%⁺²³

› 2017 – 70.3%^{+11.4}

MATH

› 2015 – 35.7%⁺⁶

› 2016 – 36.3%⁺⁵

› 2017 – 27.3%^{-5.2}

SCIENCE

› 2015 – 77.2%^{+18.4}

› 2016 – 79%^{+21.4}

› 2017 – 66.5%^{+13.8}

KEYSTONE EXAMS Proficient/Advanced

ALGEBRA I

› 2017

› Best score to date

› 77.9%+12.3

ALGEBRA I

› 2016

› Best score to date

› 88.3%+20.1

KEYSTONE EXAMS Proficient/Advanced

BIOLOGY

› 2017

› Best score to date

› 85.1%^{+21.7}

BIOLOGY

› 2016

› Best score to date

› 86.9%^{+21.1}

KEYSTONE EXAMS Proficient/Advanced

LITERATURE

› 2017

› Best score to date

› 77.5%^{4.8}

LITERATURE

› 2016

› Best score to date

› 88.6%^{+11.8}

Keystone Regulations as of 10/11/2017

- › Students in career and technical education programs will be allowed to demonstrate their readiness for a diploma in other ways. (Industry based competencies)
- › Graduation requirement still in effect for the Class of 2019 (current juniors), but a bill in the Senate proposes eliminating the exams altogether. Stay tuned...
- › PDE is placing less emphasis on standardized testing. This year: ELA 4 sections down to 3, math 3 sections down to 2, science is 22 minutes shorter. Student achievement still part of the Future Readiness Index beginning 2018-19 S.Y. (but less emphasis on testing than the S.P.P)
- › <http://www.education.pa.gov/Documents/About%20PDE/FutureReadyPA/Future%20Ready%20PA%20Index%20PPT%201-18%20Webinar.pdf>

Moving Forward – a rigorous curriculum

District Goals:

- Continue to align curriculum with the PA Core Standards.
- Utilize PVAAS data to support teachers' professional growth by using their PVAAS Teacher Specific reports.
- › Primary School:
 - Utilize Flexible Reading groups in Grade 3.
- › I.E.S.:
 - Utilize data teams, grade level and department meetings to review specific assessment anchors, individual student performance, and provide teachers with opportunities to collaborate.
- › K.M.S.:
 - Examine feasibility of a grade 6 math lab for essential math skills.
 - Utilize Lead to Learn initiative to assist in a building wide effort for teacher planning and coaching.
- › K.H.S.:
 - Utilize remediation courses/supports to students who have not achieved proficiency on the Keystone exams.
 - Utilize available technology (chromebooks) to differentiate instruction and provide additional practice on targeted skill areas.



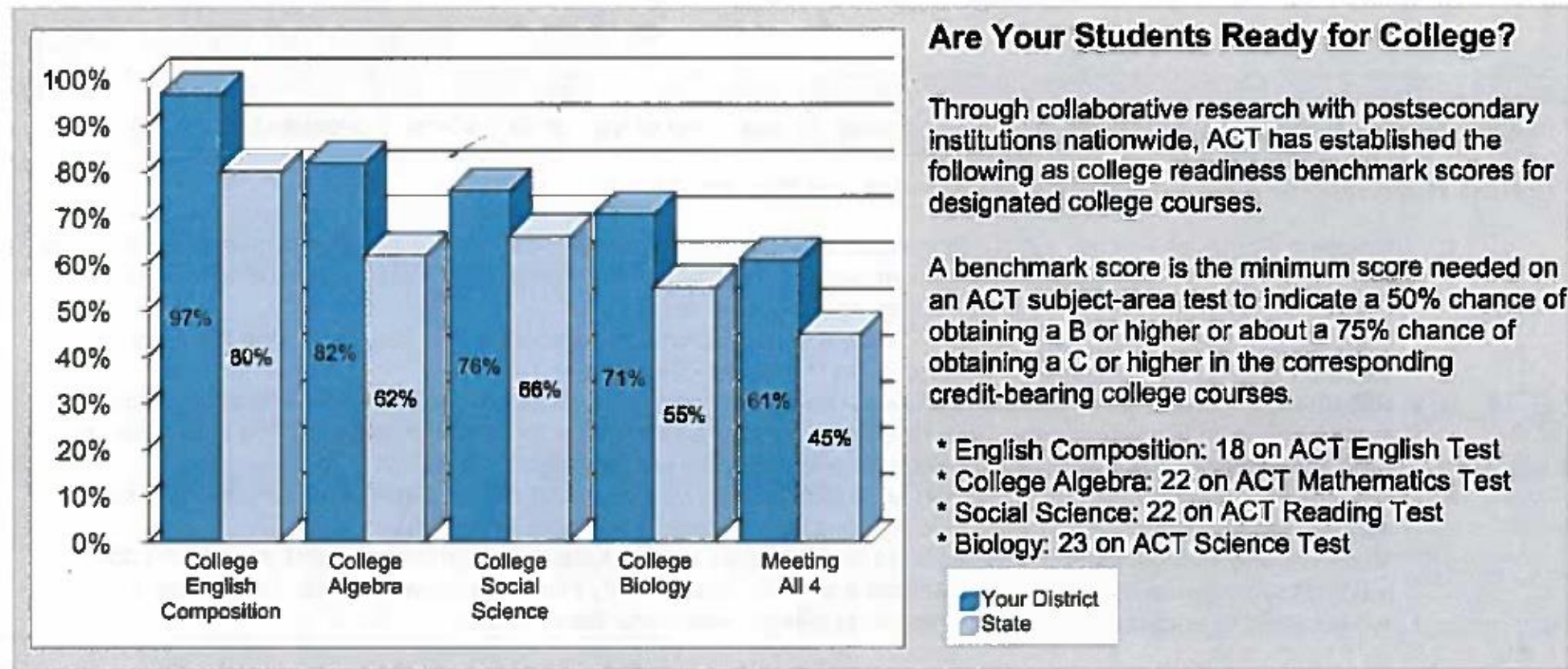
ACT Results

Table 1: Five Year Trends - Average ACT Scores

| Grad Year | Total Tested | | English | | Mathematics | | Reading | | Science | | Composite | |
|-----------|--------------|--------|----------|-------|-------------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | District | State | District | State | District | State | District | State | District | State | District | State |
| 2013 | 15 | 26,171 | 22.8 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 23.0 | 22.0 | 22.2 | 22.5 | 22.7 |
| 2014 | 24 | 27,136 | 24.1 | 22.1 | 25.2 | 22.8 | 26.3 | 23.0 | 25.0 | 22.2 | 25.3 | 22.7 |
| 2015 | 37 | 29,776 | 24.7 | 22.5 | 25.5 | 22.8 | 25.8 | 23.2 | 25.4 | 22.5 | 25.4 | 22.9 |
| 2016 | 38 | 31,342 | 23.1 | 22.6 | 24.7 | 23.0 | 24.1 | 23.6 | 24.7 | 22.8 | 24.3 | 23.1 |
| 2017 | 38 | 30,987 | 25.9 | 23.4 | 26.0 | 23.4 | 26.2 | 24.2 | 24.9 | 23.3 | 25.9 | 23.7 |

More ACT information

Figure 1. Percent of ACT-Tested Students Ready for College-Level Coursework



A High School College Readiness Letter has been sent to the Principal of each high school with at least one ACT-tested graduate.

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