

HORRY COUNTY SCHOOLS

MONITORING REPORT R-7 College and Career Readiness

I certify that the information in this report is true.

Signed:  Date: 11/05/18
Rick Maxey, Superintendent

Disposition of the Board:

- ☐ In compliance
☐ Not in compliance
☐ Compliance with exception

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Neil James, Interim Board Chair

Comments: _____

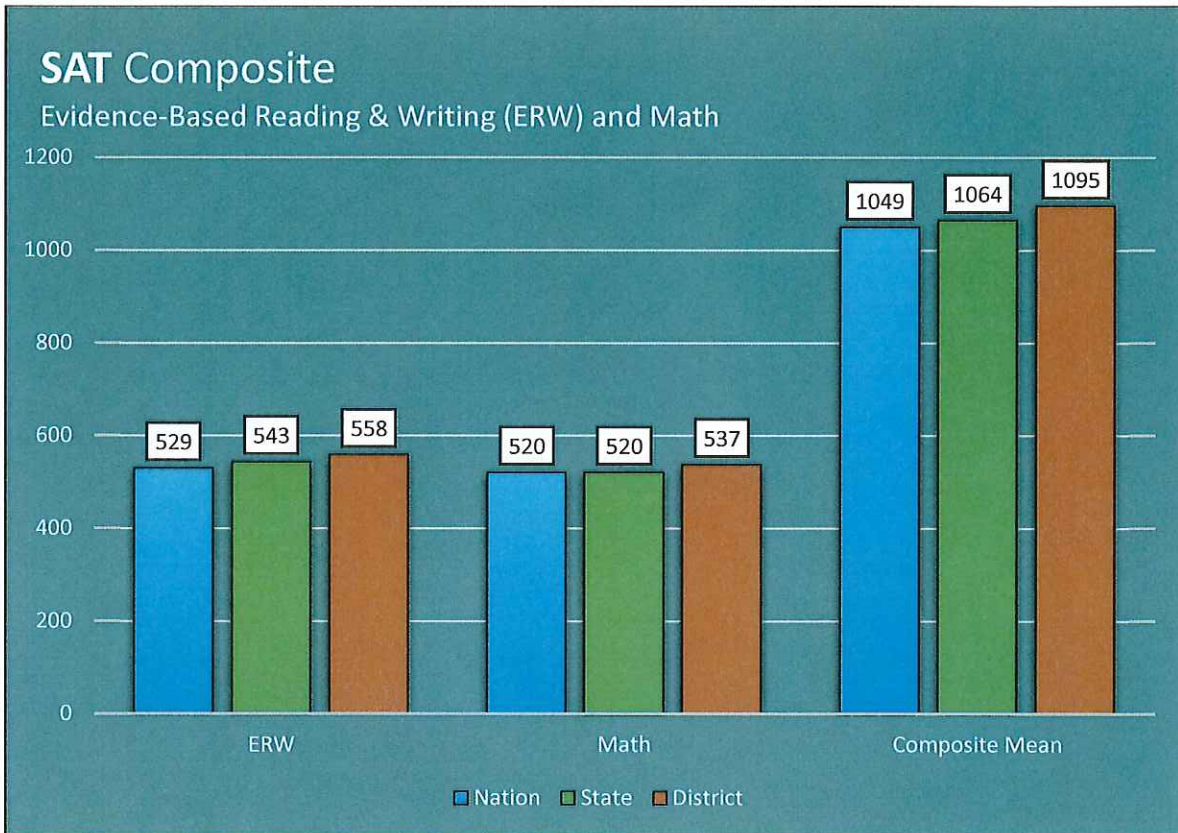
Governance Policy: R-7	Supt	Supt	Bd	Bd
	In compliance	Not in compliance	In compliance	Not in compliance
College and career readiness will be measured using on-time graduation rate and composite SAT and ACT scores. The on-time graduation rate will meet or exceed the <i>District Consolidated Goals</i> baseline measures. The composite SAT and ACT will meet or exceed the <i>District Consolidated Goals</i> baseline measures. The district will allocate the necessary resources to ensure students are college and career ready.	Yes			

Interpretation: *I interpret this policy to mean...the college readiness for each year's graduating class of seniors is to be measured by the two primary college entrance exams (SAT and ACT) and that the composite scores for each of those will improve over time. Additionally, the passage rate on Advanced Placement (AP) exams will be included since those represent high school classes that can earn college placement credit. On-time graduation rate will also be reported when released by the S.C. Department of Education.*

Evidence of Status of Compliance:

SAT –The 2018 SAT Composite average for the senior class of 2018 is 46 points above the national average for public schools, and 31 points above the state average for public schools. Changes in the structure and reporting of SAT by College Board make prevent comparisons to the 2017 administration. SAT is based on a two-part score (Evidence-Based Reading and Writing along with Math on a 1600-point scale). The senior class of 2018 had 229 more test takers than in 2017. A total of 1046 seniors took SAT, just over one-third of the class. The average SAT scores for the senior class of 2018 are:

	Horry County Schools	Nation (Public)	State (Public)
SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	558	529	543
SAT Mathematics	537	520	520
SAT Composite Mean Score	1095	1049	1064



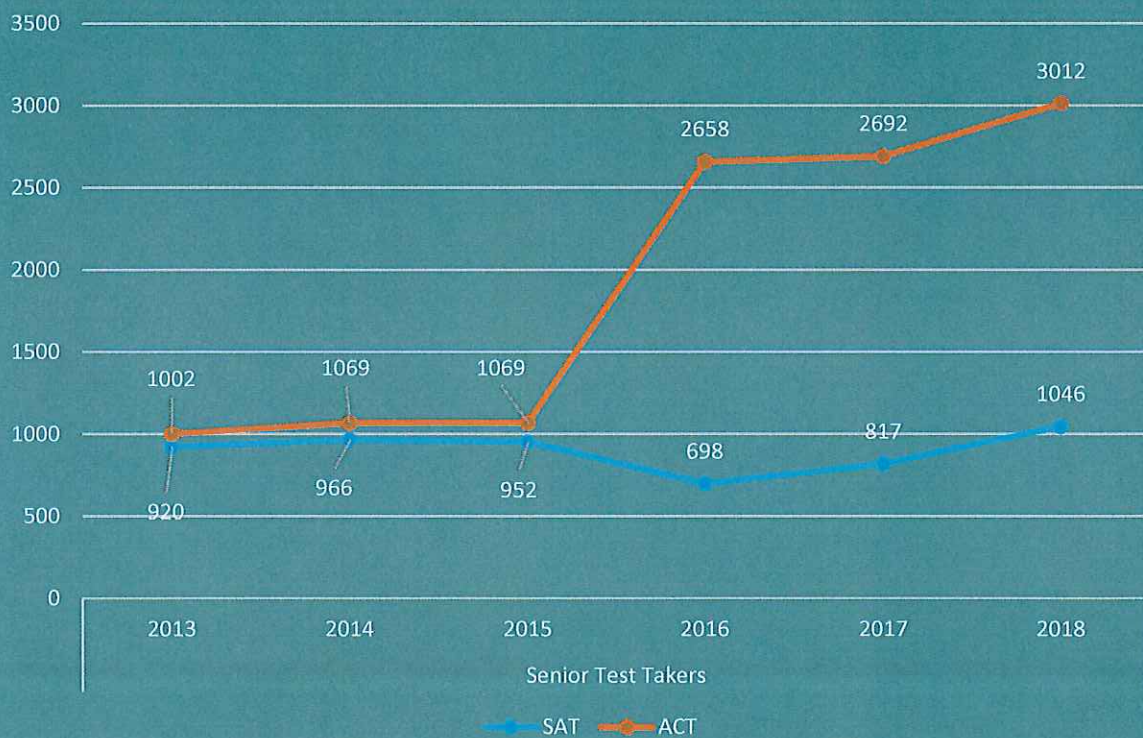
HCS - SAT Composite

2017-2018 Comparison



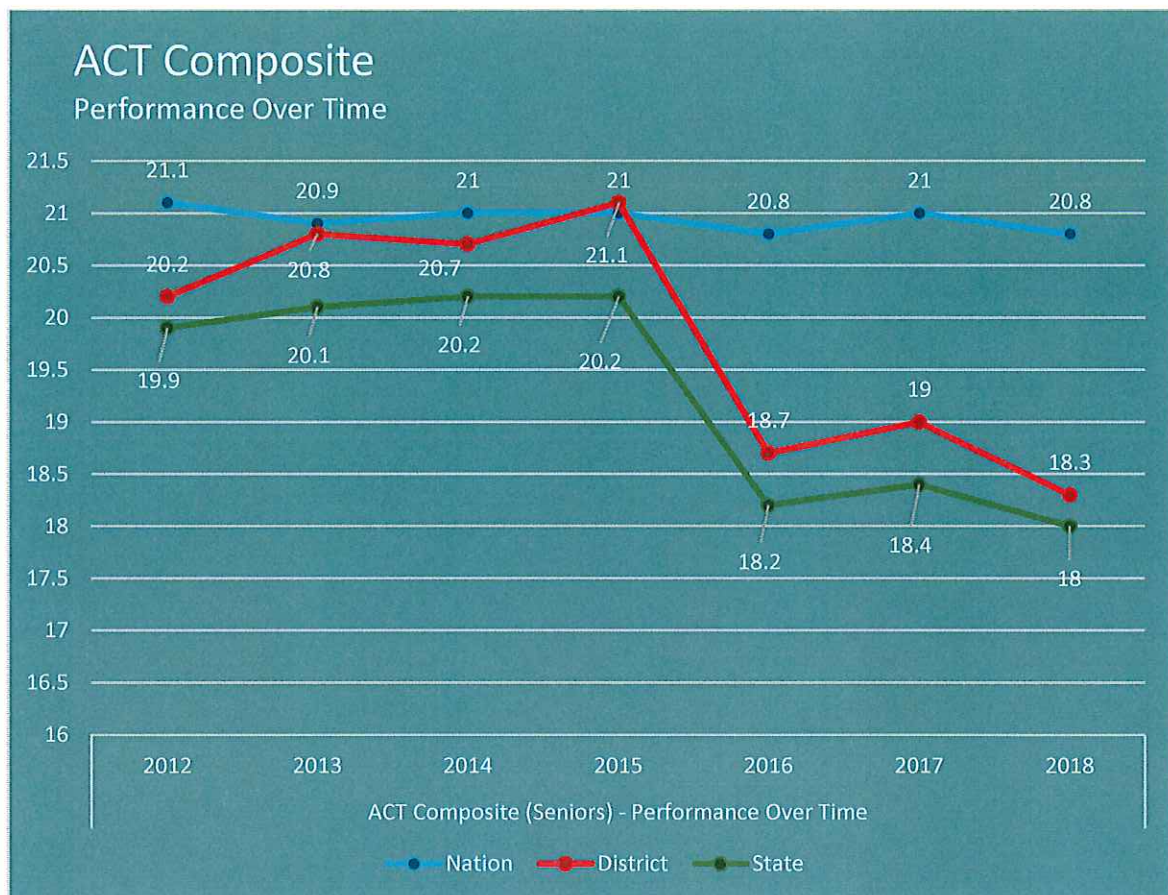
SAT & ACT Senior Test-Takers

Changes Over Time



ACT – The 2018 ACT Composite for the Class of 2018 decreased slightly by 0.7 points to 18.3 mirroring the state and national trend. HCS 2018 seniors remained above the state average but below the national average. The number of test-takers increased by 320 students (to 3012) from the previous year due to the state’s census-testing of all students in their junior year – which gives all students in the senior class an ACT score. District ACT scores are 0.3 points above the state average. The average scores are:

ACT Composite	18.3	Down 0.7
ACT English	17.3	Down 0.6
ACT Math	18.4	Down 0.8
ACT Reading	18.6	Down 0.9
ACT Science	18.4	Down 0.7



Advanced Placement (AP) – The percentage of students who scored “3 or higher” (passing) their AP exams increased by 4.9 points to 66.1% in 2018, and the number of students taking AP courses was at an all-time high – 2,148 students. Horry County students’ pass-rate on AP exams is 8.1 points higher than the state average.

