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## **ACT Scores Continue to Increase**

*CCSD students outperform state peers and  
post highest scores, participation in 12 years*

Continuing a six-year trend, Charleston County School District (CCSD) students boosted their scores on the ACT during the 2008-2009 school year, even though a record 834 of them took the test—65 more than the previous year's number. The average CCSD student's score on the ACT was 20.6, higher than the state average and an increase from 20.2 last year.

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<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>	<b>Composite</b>
2003-04	627	18.4
2004-05	636	18.9
2005-06	707	19.5
2006-07	769	19.5
2007-08	769	20.2
<b>2008-2009</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>20.6</b>

"Our vision is clear—every child graduates from CCSD prepared for college and the 21<sup>st</sup> Century workforce," said Superintendent Dr. Nancy McGinley. "That's why we're focused like a laser on literacy—the foundation for building broader skills and critical thinking—and I am so pleased to see record numbers of students taking and doing well on the ACT., applying the skills they've learned in class to the pursuit of success beyond high school."

For more information on the ACT report, visit [www.ccsdschools.com](http://www.ccsdschools.com).