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CORRECTION: CCSD bests state average in ACT WorkKeys assessment

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District slightly lower than state on Fall 2021 WIN test

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Charleston, SC - Based on the updated release from the South Carolina Department of Education on September 20, students in Charleston County School District (CCSD) outpaced the state average on the ACT WorkKeys test and scored below the state average on the Fall 2021 WIN Ready to Work assessment during the 2021-2022 school year.

Both assessments allow students to demonstrate competencies and can lead to an industry-recognized certificate. Certificate levels include Bronze (scoring at least a 3 on each subtest), Silver (scoring a 4 or higher on each subtest), Gold (scoring a 5 or higher on each subtest), and Platinum (scores of 6 or 7 on each subtest). Silver is the South Carolina standard used to determine if a student is "career-ready."

ACT WorkKeys

CCSD students outperformed the state average by 7.9 percentage points (60.4 to 52.5) in receiving a Silver or better National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC). Additionally, 81.2 percent of CCSD students who took ACT WorkKeys earned a Bronze, Silver, Gold, or Platinum NCRC in 2021-2022.

The following results are by subgroup (percentage of students demonstrating career readiness by receiving a Silver or better):

- Black - 29.40
- Hispanic - 41.25
- White - 82.29
- Other - 74.83

WIN

The state average (34.6) was slightly better than CCSD's average (32.0) for students receiving Silver and above Ready to Work Credentials on the Fall 2021 WIN Ready to Work assessment. This calculation only includes students who missed testing in Spring 2021 and those who retaken all three subtests, which

would allow them to potentially earn a Ready to Work credential. If results were calculated for the four-year cohort (2916 students), 71.0 percent of CCSD students earned Silver or above.

The following results are by subgroup (percentage of students demonstrating career readiness by receiving a Silver or better):

- Black – 14.9
- Hispanic – 42.1
- White – 66.7
- Other – 62.5

Because two different career readiness assessments (WIN in fall and ACT WorkKeys in spring) were administered in 2021-22, results are unable to be compared to previous year results.

For more information, visit the state's website to review [WorkKeys](#) and [WIN](#) results, or call CCSD's Communications Office at (843) 937-6300.

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About the Charleston County School District

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is a nationally accredited school district committed to providing equitable and quality educational opportunities for all of its students. CCSD is the second-largest school system in South Carolina and represents a unique blend of urban, suburban, and rural schools spanning 1,300 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves approximately 49,000 students in 88 schools and specialized programs.

CCSD offers a diverse, expanding portfolio of options and specialized programs, delivered through neighborhood, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), Montessori, and charter schools. Options include programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; and military.