ARLINGTON CLASSICS ACADEMY · 2025–26 ACADEMIC RESULTS

Strong Results. Measurable Growth.

A guide for ACA families and faculty: what our students actually achieved this year, and what the state's accountability rating does — and does not — tell you.

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90 out of 100
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
90 · 90 · 90 three years running

BOARD ENDS POLICIES:
Keeping our promises

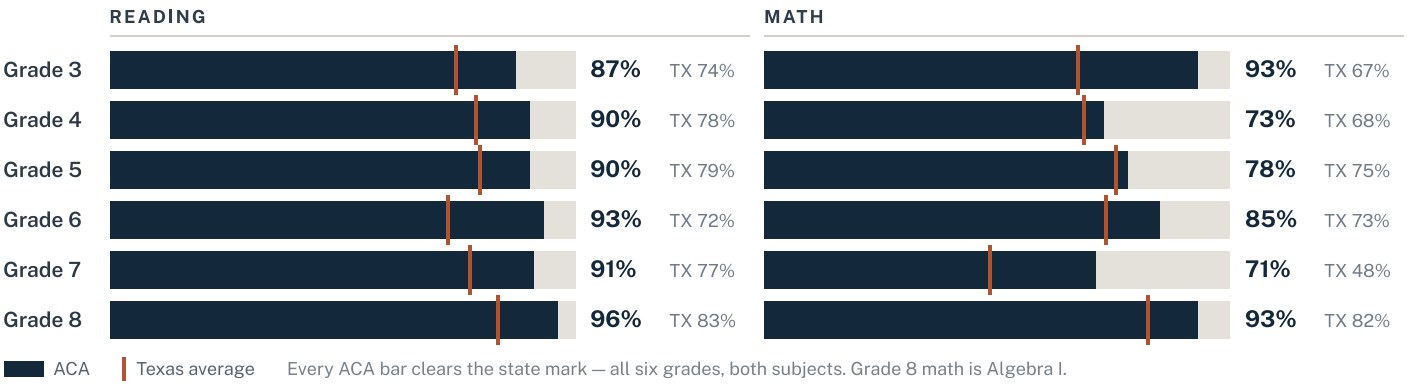
ACA produces excellent outcomes for students, parents, and the local community, with an emphasis on continual improvement.

- Students' lifelong learning skills measurably improve.
- Students demonstrate high academic achievement.
- Students demonstrate the skills of an effective citizen and collaborator.

ACA was founded for parents by parents who did not want a school that limited their child's educational experience to a state testing focus (currently the STAAR test). This is why we provide parents and students with nationally norm referenced assessment data (**NWEA MAP**) and our Board measures our academic program by the growth students demonstrate on NWEA MAP. ACA's state accountability is 100% based on STAAR outcomes, mostly in Math and Reading, and does not consider these other data points. Our goal is student growth and high academic outcomes as seen by the consistent **A rating** score in student performance and the above average growth in the NWEA MAP scores when compared to the national norms. (see below)

ACA outperforms the state in every grade — Reading and Math alike

2025–26 STAAR · % AT OR ABOVE GRADE LEVEL



Every ACA bar clears the state mark — all six grades, both subjects. Grade 8 math is Algebra I.

8TH GRADE OUTCOMES — KEEPING THE END IN MIND

96%
Reading
at or above grade level · state 83%

93%
Algebra I
a high-school course every ACA 8th grader takes · state 82%, mostly 9th graders

99%
Biology
at or above grade level · state 93%; 91% *Meets* vs. 71% statewide

89%
Social Studies
at or above grade level · state 57%; 41% at Masters — 2.5× the state rate

ADVANCED WORK: HIGH ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

Reading at *Masters* level — ahead of our Region 11 peers

36% Grade 5 Region 11: 34%

35% Grade 6 Region 11: 30%

35% Grade 7 Region 11: 31%

49% Grade 8 Region 11: 32%

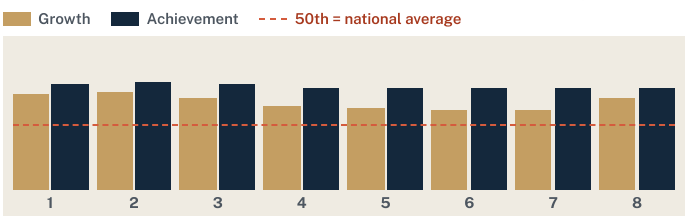
Source: ACA Academic Services report to the Board, July 2026, drawn from state STAAR results for 2025–26. Comparison figures are statewide percentages for the same test, except the Advanced Work band, which compares ACA to Education Service Center Region 11. ACA administers Algebra I to all 8th graders; the statewide Algebra I group is predominantly 9th graders.

GROWTH, NOT JUST A SNAPSHOT

The measure that follows your child

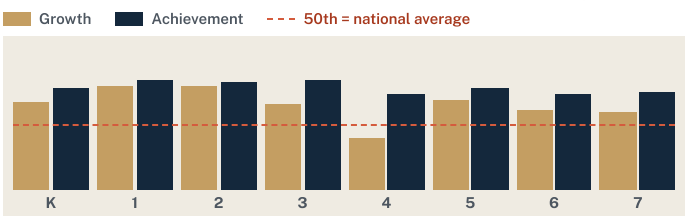
A single spring test tells you where a class landed. **NWEA MAP** tells you how far each student traveled — fall to spring, against a national norm group of academic peers. A student who grows more than half of that peer group meets projected growth; ACA's goal is a median growth score at or above the 50th percentile in *every classroom and every grade*, reviewed teacher by teacher.

MAP READING · 1–8 — 1,349 students



Median percentiles by grade · **district median: 68th growth, 81st achievement**

MAP MATH · K–7 — 1,346 students



Median percentiles by grade · **district median: 67th growth, 81st achievement**

Every grade finished the year at or above the 74th percentile nationally in both Reading and Math — and ACA's median growth was the 68th percentile in Reading and the 67th in Math, meaning the typical ACA student gained more ground this year than two-thirds of their academic peers nationwide. NWEA MAP, fall 2025 to spring 2026. Math Grade 8 excluded (2 students tested).

How to read the state's accountability rating

> Where the state does measure achievement directly, ACA earns an **A — 90 out of 100**, and has held that score three years running. Our recommendation to families: classical education is designed with the end in mind. Look at the performance results at the END (8th grade). The full district report is public at **txschools.gov**.

ACA supports transparency and publishes its results in full. But a single A–F letter compresses very different things into one number — and in 2025 districts across Texas, including Arlington ISD and Dallas ISD, showed that the state's automated essay scoring had been under-counting what students actually wrote:

70%

of 3rd grade STAAR tests that districts sent back for **human** rescoring came back with *higher* scores than the state's automated grader gave them. In Arlington ISD, every test reviewed by a person scored higher — 38 campuses gained points and six rose a full letter grade. (According to Dallas Morning News)

60–83%

of students statewide missed the single hardest question on the 2026 reading test at every grade from 3 through 8 — 83% in 7th grade. When most of the state misses an item, the item is in question.

1 day

of testing — on a test redesigned and rescored repeatedly since 2022 — drives the state rating. ACA desires for you to have a fuller picture of where your child is developmentally and academically. That's why we use MULTIPLE, DIVERSE data points to help you paint that picture.

WHAT OUR FAMILIES SAY SETS ACA APART

563 parent responses · Primary, Intermediate & Middle School

96% would recommend ACA to a friend (7 or higher out of 10)

99% are proud of their child's accomplishments at ACA

97% agree their child is safe at school

94% are satisfied with school communication

> *"The teachers truly care, and it shows in my child's confidence, growth, and excitement to learn. It feels like a community, not just a school."*

> *"Kids CAN rise to challenges if they are given the opportunity to do so. We LOVE that the standard is set higher than it needs to be."*

> *"How much each member of staff really cares and knows each student!"*

> *"The expectations that students are held to. It causes the students to reach for their best."*

> *"Advanced curriculum and knowledgeable teachers and staff."*

ACA PARENTS, 2026 CNA SURVEY

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S RESULTS?

Your child's teacher can walk you through their individual MAP growth report, and academic data is reviewed publicly at every board meeting.

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