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WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORTS GROWTH ON 2025 STATE ASSESSMENTS

Williamsburg County School District (WCSD) is proud to announce encouraging results from the recently released South Carolina Department of Education's 2025 SC READY and End-of-Course (EOC) assessments. The results reflect steady growth in both English Language Arts and Math, as well as a strong performance on high school EOC exams compared to state averages.

Interim Superintendent Dr. Angela Jacobs states, "Williamsburg County School District has demonstrated praiseworthy progress in our test scores. We remain steadfast in our commitment to academic success. We recognize the importance of continuing to support our scholars and educators to further enhance learning outcomes. WCSD remains dedicated to closing achievement gaps and ensuring that every scholar has the opportunity to succeed. As we look to the future, I am confident that we will achieve even greater things together."

SC READY English and Math Gains

- English Language Arts (ELA): WCSD scholars posted significant improvement, with 46.7% meeting or exceeding expectations, up from 41.6% in 2024.
- Mathematics: The percentage of scholars meeting or exceeding expectations rose from 25.3% in 2024 to 28.1% in 2025, reflecting early success in the district's targeted math interventions.
- High School EOC Highlights
- English 2 EOC: WCSD performed at 69.1% of scholars scoring a C or better, consistent with its ongoing growth from the 2024 school year.
- Algebra 1 EOC: WCSD outperformed the state, with 54.7% of scholars scoring a C or higher, compared to the state average of 49.9%.

Mrs. Genia Smith, Assistant Superintendent for the Office of Teaching, Learning, and Administrative Support, celebrated the progress by stating, "These results demonstrate that Williamsburg County School District is on the rise. We are especially proud of the gains in English Language Arts and the fact that our scholars exceeded the state average in Algebra 1. While there is still more work to be done, these outcomes show the commitment of our teachers, students, and families to achieving academic success."

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Continuing the Climb

Mrs. Genia Smith notes that the district will build on this momentum by:

- Expanding professional development in the "Science of Reading" curriculum and math instruction.
- Strengthening tutoring and small-group interventions to accelerate growth.
- Engaging families as partners in student learning.

Williamsburg County School District continues to build on recent academic gains through a strong focus on literacy and mathematics initiatives, supported by ongoing teacher training and consistent parental involvement. Elementary educators, both teachers and administrators, have been immersed in LETRS training, ensuring they get quality professional development in teaching reading at the early grades.

In literacy, the district utilizes Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) Into Reading for grades K–5, StudySync/McGraw-Hill for grades 6–12, and targeted interventions such as Lexia Core5 to strengthen foundational skills and comprehension. In mathematics, i-Ready Math serves as a critical tool for both elementary and middle grades, providing individualized learning pathways and data-driven instruction. Teachers across the district receive continuous professional development to maximize the impact of these programs and align instruction with state standards. Equally important has been the role of families. WCSD has seen an increase in parental participation in literacy nights, math workshops, and ongoing parent-teacher communication. Together, these efforts ensure that learning continues beyond the classroom.

The combination of instructional excellence, teacher development, and strong community support is driving measurable improvement in student outcomes, positioning WCSD for continued growth in both literacy and mathematics achievement. Williamsburg County School District is dedicated to ensuring that every student is prepared for college, career, and citizenship. Through rigorous instruction, strong community partnerships, and a commitment to equity, WCSD is building a brighter future for Williamsburg County.