

Press Release
Haywood County Schools

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The 2013-14 school performance indicators have been released. Initial information was approved and released during the regular September meeting of the State Board of Education. Detailed performance results including individual school report cards are scheduled for release by the state after January 15, 2015. North Carolina has had a school accountability program since 1996. In 2012-13 the state strengthened its accountability model and launched the READY initiative to overhaul the Standard Course of Study, student assessments and school accountability. Now, all three are aligned to rigorous career and college readiness standards.

North Carolina's new model continues a long-standing practice of increasing rigor in curriculum and assessments. The state will continue to report academic growth rates and the percentage of students scoring proficient on state assessments. Growth reflects the progress students made during the school year. Performance standards are higher than in the past, which makes it more difficult for some students to reach proficiency levels. School performance indicators are available online at <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/>. The following compares Haywood County Schools to statewide performance.

	Performance Composite	Academic Growth (Met or Exceeds)
North Carolina	56.3	74.61%
Haywood County Schools	64.5	81.25%
Bethel Elementary	75.3	Exceeds
Bethel Middle	65.8	Exceeds
Canton Middle	61.4	Met
Central Elementary	64.2	Met
Central Haywood High	20.5	Met
Clyde Elementary	63.3	Exceeds
Riverbend Elementary	87.9	Exceeds
Haywood Early College	81.8	Met
Hazelwood Elementary	65.0	Not Met
Jonathan Valley Elementary	75.3	Met
Junaluska Elementary	78.4	Exceeds
Meadowbrook Elementary	64.5	Met
North Canton Elementary	66.8	Exceeds
Pisgah High	59.3	Not Met
Tuscola High	54.6	Not Met
Waynesville Middle	61.5	Met

Dr. Bill Nolte, associate superintendent said, "Every school saw a measurable increase in the overall performance composite. As additional detailed data is released we will have the ability to compare our performance to similar schools in the region and state. This analysis helps us determine the best way to continuously improve. We will share additional analysis as it becomes available."