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4,689

STUDENTS



1,122,005 IN SCHOLARSHIPS



86.4%

Graduation Rate



5-STAR PRE-K PROGRAM



1 OUTSTANDING SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Asheboro



# CITY SCHOOLS

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Report to Community  
2013-2014

# Our Vision

Asheboro City Schools will be a system of excellence where every student graduates, and is globally competitive for careers, college and citizenship.

# Our Mission

We are committed to providing high quality learning opportunities for all students in a safe and inviting environment so that our students can become successful lifelong learners, prepared for 21st century global citizenship.

# Our Strategic Plan

The goal of our 2013-2016 strategic plan is that by 2016, 90 percent or more of ACS students will graduate with the skills needed to succeed as 21st century learners, workers and citizens.

## Each ACS student will be:

- Academically proficient
- Effective communicators and collaborators
- Critical and creative thinkers, innovators and problem solvers
- Globally aware, independent, responsible learners and citizens

## We continue to work towards these goals through the following objectives:

- Engage Each Student
- Assess For Learning To Improve Achievement
- Create Opportunities
- Build Capacity

# Our Board of Education

Members of the Asheboro City Board of Education are elected by registered voters residing in the school district. Members serve six-year terms on a staggered basis so that no more than four positions will expire every two years. Elections are nonpartisan and are held at the time of the November general election in odd-numbered years.

## The role of the Board can be summarized in the following areas:

- To provide vision and direction for the school system
- To create policies in accordance with state law that establish standards, accountability and evaluation of essential operations of the school district
- To prepare the budget for presentation to the county commissioners
- To hire, support and evaluate the superintendent
- To advocate for the school district, staff and especially the students in all interactions with other governmental entities and the public

Mr. Gustavo Agudelo, member since 2011  
Mr. Phillip Cheek, member since 2006  
Mrs. Linda Cranford, member since 1983  
Mrs. Joyce Harrington, member since 1985  
Dr. Kelly Harris, member since 2006  
Mr. Stephen Jones, member since 1995

Mrs. Gidget Kidd, member since 2005  
Mr. Kyle Lamb, member since 2005  
Mr. Archie Priest, member since 2003  
Mrs. Jane Redding, member since 2005  
Mr. Chris Yow, member since 1997



**Sitting from left:** Linda Cranford, Gustavo Agudelo, Jane Redding, Joyce Harrington, Gidget Kidd  
**Standing from left:** Archie Priest, Chris Yow, Phillip Cheek, Kelly Harris, Kyle Lamb, Stephen Jones

# Our Leadership

## Honoring Dr. Diane Frost

The 2013-2014 school year marked the final year Dr. Diane Frost served Asheboro City Schools as superintendent. Frost was employed by the district since 1991 and served as associate superintendent for curriculum and instruction prior to her appointment as superintendent. Dr. Frost served a total of 37 years in public education.



### Hallmarks of her Asheboro City Schools legacy include:

- Community engagement in strategic planning
- Implemented nationally accredited pre-kindergarten and family literacy program
- Equipped all classrooms across the district with 21st century technology
- Implemented high school reform initiatives, including 9th grade academy, AHS Zoo School, and NOVA Academy, and expanded advanced placement and online courses
- Developed and implemented local Teacher Leadership Academy

### Award Highlights:

- National Superintendent of the Year, Finalist, 2012
- A. Craig Phillips North Carolina Superintendent of the Year, 2012
- SACS/CASI John M. Davis Distinguished Educational Achievement Award, 2006
- North Carolina Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Distinguished Educator Award, 2004
- North Carolina Council of Teachers of Mathematics, W. W. Rankin Memorial Award for Excellence in Mathematics Education, 2003

We thank Dr. Frost for her leadership and dedication to the students and staff of Asheboro City Schools and wish her the best in her retirement.

## Welcoming Dr. Terry Worrell

Dr. Worrell joined Asheboro City Schools as superintendent on July 1, 2014 with more than 33 years of experience in education. She began her career in the classroom, teaching physical science and health classes before spending 17 years as a principal at all levels – elementary, middle and high school. She served as regional superintendent in Guilford County, where she oversaw the largest region with 42 schools and 19,000 students. She also served as assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in Rockingham County.



During her tenure as superintendent of the central region in Guilford County, Dr. Worrell was instrumental in improving student achievement, procuring prestigious grants, turning around struggling schools, and implementing The Middle College at UNCG High School and The STEM Early College at NC A&T State University. In only a short time in Rockingham County, she left a lasting impression; she helped lead the district to higher AYP results and spearheaded the design and implementation of the Rockingham Early College High School.

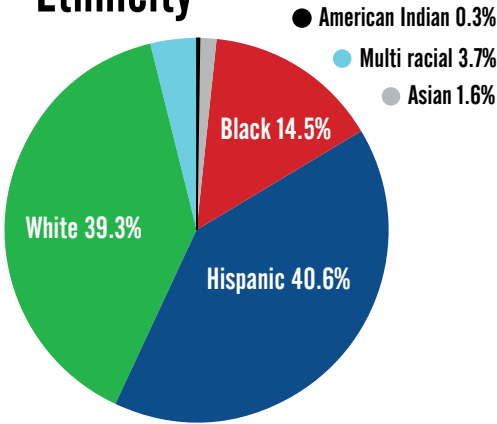
Most recently, Dr. Worrell worked for North Carolina New Schools, a nonprofit organization focused on developing high-performing schools and districts, where she served as senior director for district services. In that role, she led the development of district strategies focused on the implementation of a continuous improvement approach to education innovation. She led the organization's efforts to apply for the recently awarded \$20 million federal grant to develop innovative approaches to improve student achievement and boost graduation rates.

The board continues to be confident that Dr. Worrell's vast experience, in addition to her passion and dedication to student learning, will greatly serve the Asheboro students, staff and community leading Asheboro City Schools to even greater success.



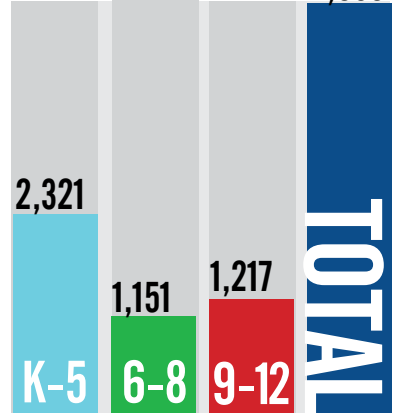
# Our Students

## Ethnicity



## 2013-2014

Student Membership 4,689



\*Final average daily membership for 2013-2014 school year

## Class of 2014

The Asheboro High School class of 2014 was awarded \$1,122,005 in scholarships, grants and other monetary aid for higher education

## Graduation Intentions

- Four-Year University – 40.6%
- Community College/Technical/Trade School – 40.6%
- Military – 3%
- Employment – 12.7%
- Other – 3%

The Asheboro City Schools Education Foundation presented 27 scholarships for a total of \$25,050 to the Class of 2014. The foundation was established in 1991 by Superintendent Dr. Bob Gordon and awarded its first scholarships in May 1993 for a total of \$2,200. For more information about the Education Foundation or to make a donation, please contact Kristen Wright or Carla Freemyer at 625-5104.



1. Christopher Mustico and Trip Wilson, 2nd grade students at Balfour Elementary School during the 2013-2014 school year, won first place in the Kindergarten-2nd grade division at the Regional Math Fair.





2. The Asheboro High School DECA Chapter participated in the 2014 State DECA Conference where they competed in a variety of business and marketing events. Students were judged based on their performance in simulated role plays, as well as a 100 question test. The 21 Asheboro High School student participants earned proficient status.



3. 2013-2014 Asheboro City Schools Science Fair Winners.

4. Winners of the Third Annual Asheboro City Schools Digital Learning Expo were Mary Vargas, Leslie Castillo and Hallie White, students at Balfour Elementary School.



5. North Asheboro Middle School ESL students were recognized by the National Farm Worker Ministry for winning a photo competition. Students were photographed on a trip to the movie theater to see "Cesar Chavez." The students also wrote letters to N.C. Commissioner of Labor, Cherie Berry, advocating for better working conditions for farm workers in our state.



6. In the fall of 2013 Asheboro High School students performed "Beauty and the Beast". Our district is proud of its rich cultural arts tradition.

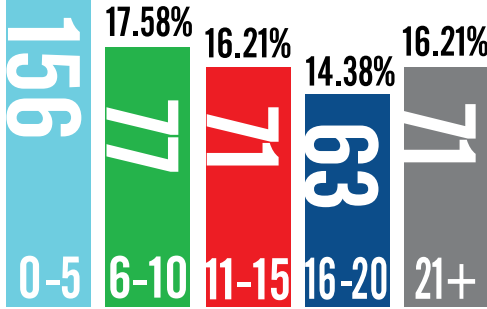
7. Students from South Asheboro Middle School were recognized by State Superintendent June Atkinson and members of the N.C. State Highway Patrol for a bus safety video they created which won first prize in a statewide competition.



# Our Employees

35.62%

## Certified Staff Years of Experience



Total Number of Certified Staff  
**438**

\* Certified staff includes directors, principals, assistant principals, superintendent, assistant superintendents, teachers, media, and guidance.

- Teachers with Master's or Advanced Degrees – **152 (36.5%)**
- Teachers with National Board Certification – **52 (11.9%)**
- Percent of teachers who are highly qualified according to "No Child Left Behind" requirements – **99.63%**
- Percent of paraprofessionals who are highly qualified – **100%**
- Total number of Employees – **689**







1. **Kathryn Chaney**, Art Teacher at Donna Lee Loflin Elementary School, was awarded Asheboro City Schools' Apple of Excellence Outstanding First Year Teacher award.
2. **Candace Call**, Principal for North Asheboro Middle School, was named the 2013-2014 Principal of the Year for Asheboro City Schools.
3. **Kathy Saunders** was named the 2013-2014 Asheboro City Schools Teacher of the Year and Regional Teacher of the Year.
4. **Dr. Diane Frost**, Superintendent, **Jennifer Smith**, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and **Jane Redding**, Board of Education Chairman, presented a session about Asheboro City Schools' Teacher Leadership Academy at the National School Boards Association Annual Conference.

# Our Results

## Cohort Graduation Rate

	ACS	NC
2010-2011	83.7%	77.9%
2011-2012	85.1%	80.2%
2012-2013	86.3%	82.5%
2013-2014	86.4%	83.9%

Asheboro City Schools has consistently had a graduation rate higher than the state average. The continued rise in graduation rates has occurred alongside changes that have led to more challenging standards and assessments and increased graduation requirements.

## 2013-2014 Academic Growth Goals Results

### Elementary Schools

Elementary Schools	Academic Growth Status
Balfour	Met
Charles W. McCrary	Met
Donna L. Loflin	Not Met
Guy B. Teachey	Exceeded
Lindley Park	Met

### Secondary Schools

North Asheboro	Exceeded
South Asheboro	Met
Asheboro High School	Exceeded



### 2013-2014 SAT Results\*

	ACS	NC	U.S.
Participation Rate	52.6%	64.0%	52.0%
Math	473	507	513
Critical Reading	469	499	493
Writing	449	477	487

\*Average scores

### 2013-2014 ACT Results\*

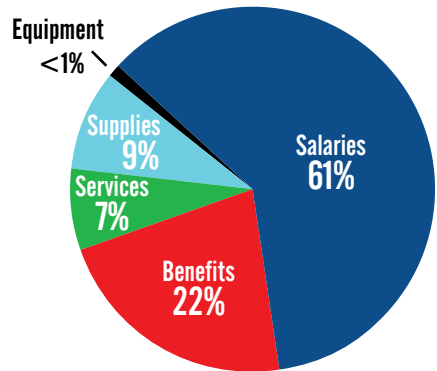
	ACS	NC	U.S.
English	16.0	17.5	20.3
Math	17.6	19.6	20.9
Reading	17.6	19.0	21.3
Science	17.7	18.9	20.8

\*Average scores

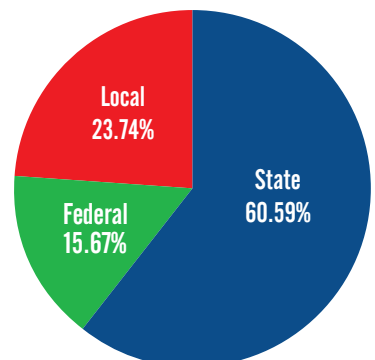
## 2013-2014 Expenditures by Purpose

- Salaries \$26,757,229
- Benefits \$9,655,770
- Services \$3,217,601
- Supplies \$3,868,037
- Equipment \$180,349

**Total \$43,678,986**



## 2013-2014 Expenditures by Fund



### 2013-2014 Per Pupil Expense

	ACS	NC Avg
2010-2011	\$9,514	\$8,414
2011-2012	\$8,759	\$8,436
2012-2013	\$8,945	\$8,514
2013-2014	\$9,317	\$8,465

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