# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The ACT and SAT are national examinations used for college admissions and merit-based scholarships. In 2015, 100% of the graduating seniors completed the ACT, while 90% completed the SAT in preparation for college or post-secondary programs.

# **Advanced Placement Exams**

2014 - 2015-360

2015 - 2016-421

# SOA RECOGNITIONS 2015-2016

Recognized in South Carolina as one of the top 2 High Schools - U.S. News & World Report Palmetto Gold Award 2008, 2009, 2012, 2013 & 2014

**The ACT Aspire Assessment** is one given to students in 3rd through 10th grade to assess student growth, identify learning gaps, and prepares students for college readiness and the ACT.

Over 83% of SOA middle school students met or exceeded standards on the ACT Aspire Assessment for Reading, Science, Social Studies and Mathematics

#### END OF COURSE (EOC) AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAM DATA

96% OF SOA'S STUDENT MET OR EXCEEDED THE PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS ON THE EOC EXAMS ADMINISTERED IN ALGEBRA 1, ENGLISH 1 AND US HISTORY. 77% OF SOA'S STUDENTS SCORED A RATING OF 3 OR HIGHER ON ALL AP EXAMS ADMINISTERED.



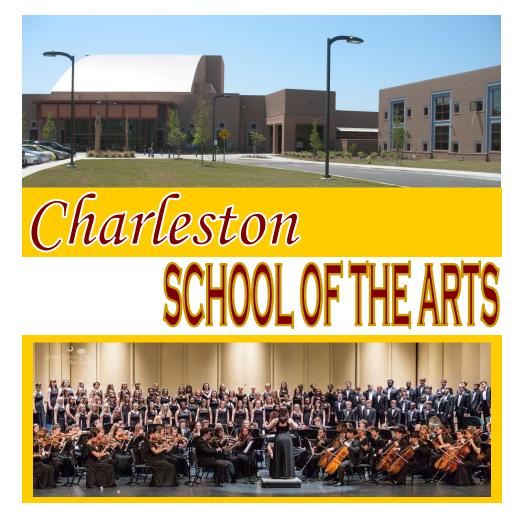
<u>State Level PTSA Reflections Awards</u> Literature–2 - 1st Place & 2 - Honorable Mention Music Composition–1st Place Dance–1st Place and 2 Honorable Mention

National Level PTSA Reflections Awards National Winner for Literature–6th Grade Student Logan Baker

**SOA Mission Statement** - At SOA our purpose is to provide a supportive educational environment where academic and artistic challenge engage students and lead them to develop and use their talents to pursue goals and contribute to society.

# **STRATEGIES & INITIATIVES**

School of the Arts Specialized Diploma Fitness and Health Initiatives Improv Theatre Workshop Outreach PTSA National Reflections Contest Integrate Technology through Instruction Provide Community Service Opportunity Master Classes in Art Areas SCMEA and Spoleto Performance Pegasus Garden Senior Thesis MAP Testing and Analysis Provide Advanced Assignments Quest Academic Competition Optimist Essay Contest NHS Free Student Tutoring SMART Boards in all Classrooms Jefferson Service Club Environmental Initiatives such as NO Car Idling



# Where Talent and Vision Create the Future 2016 Annual Community Report

Charleston > excellence is our standard County SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# NINE AREAS OF



#### Band 80% of SOA band members placed in

Excellence

All concert band memors placed in Honor bands All concert band and wind ensembles received Superior with distinction ratings from the SCBDA Hosted the Thelonious Monk Institute 50+ Superior Ratings at the SC Solo and Ensemble Festival

#### Creative Writing 493 Regional Scholastic Writing Awards 24 National Scholastic Art and Writing Awards

3 Published Writers and Faculty Members

## Dance

10 students auditioned and received scholarships or awards at the National HS Dance Festival MS performance at Disney World, Orlando, FL Participant at the North Charleston Performing Arts Festival

#### <u>Piano</u>

7 students were selected to the Honors Recital based on their outstanding performance at Achievement Day
16 Students participated in the District Auditions. After receiving "Outstanding" ratings, 7 received a call back to All State
Scholarship recipients from the Charleston Symphony
League, Pawley's Island Scholarship for Piano and the Louise Mathis Scholarship

#### <u>Orchestra</u>

23 All State Selections 43 All Region Selections Superior Rating for the Chamber Orchestra At SC Concert Festival "Grand Champion" at the National Orchestra Festival Hosted by the American String Teacher's Association (ASTA)

#### Visual Arts

Top 10% national ranking for AP Art Studio Top AP Art/Visual Art Program in SC Multiple Scholastic Art and Writing Awards Participation in the National Endowment for the Arts Young Artist Competition

# Vocal Music

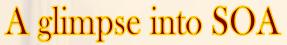
69 Students SCMEA HS All State Choir 45 Students ACDA MS All State Choir Superior Rating at SC Vocal Concert Festival

# Theatre Arts

Attended the SETC, Greensboro, NC 17 Performances/workshops for CCSD Schools Conducted workshops for 2000+ non-SOA Student

## Fashion and Design

Designed Clothes for MUSC OT Patient 2016 Fashion Show to highlight "Things that Changed the World" Costume Design for Theatre Arts Performances



The Charleston School of the Arts is a uniquely diverse school with students enrolled from across Charleston

County. The current enrollment sits at 1150 amazing students. We believe the culture and climate of our school and surrounding community will provide an experience that promotes excellence in both academics and the arts from sixth through twelfth grade.

We are a school where all stakeholders believe dreams can become a reality with hard work and determination. Our students, staff, parents, and community members work as a collaborative team to ensure that the school will indeed reach its goal.

Our students are recognized both regionally and nationally for their talents and ability. The success and achievement in arts is duplicated in the content classes, exposing and providing our students with the experience of a strong academic program that prepares them to become integral parts of the global world in their post-secondary endeavors. Our staff, students, and parents collaborate to create programs, shows, and performances that are of the highest quality.

As educational partners, the Charleston County School District and the faculty of the School of the Arts have the unique opportunity to continue providing a school that inspires and encourages students to excel in a non-traditional way. We encourage the support of anyone that values excellence in education, and hope that the SOA brand continues to grow and impact the lives of people as its founder intended.



School Improvement Council Yancey Richmond Chair -2016—2017 Goal: "The SOA School Improvement Council will collaborate with the administrative team to engage all stakeholders, support student achievement, and promote the continued growth and progress of the students that attend the Charleston County School of the Arts."