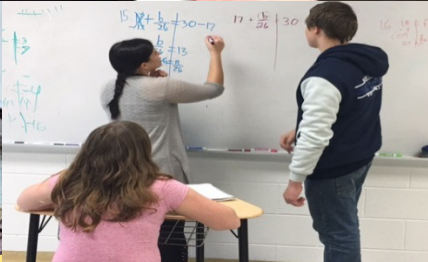


2018-2019 Annual Update to the Community

SURRY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



BUILDING EXCELLENCE, ONE STUDENT AT A TIME



VISION STATEMENT

Surry County Public Schools' vision is to provide a safe, healthy learning environment that prepares all students to be competitive and productive citizens in a highly technical and global society.

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Message from the Superintendent

Building Excellence, One Student at a Time!

It gives me pleasure to present to you the 2018-2019 Annual Report to the Community. Previously, this report was the ECHO which reviewed a compilation of division and school updates. This Annual Report follows that same format where we emphasize our most recent achievements, updates from the current school year, and highlights of district initiatives.

I encourage you to read through the report. You will find many reasons to be proud of our schools and our school division.

We hope that you will connect with us in some way, whether it is through committee membership, activity attendance, or following the district happenings online. Thank you, Surry County Public Schools' Community, for your ongoing support of our students!

Dr. Michael E Thornton, Superintendent



School Board Members

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Message from the School Board Chair

As the elected school board official representing the Claremont District, I thank each of you for allowing us to serve you and your children. It is a job that we take seriously. We understand that our decisions not only impact the students of Surry County Public Schools, but they also affect families and the community. As a school board, we pledge to uphold our duties as established by the Virginia School Board Association. In addition, we have identified five goals that guide our actions:

Goal 1: The Board will continue to provide for and promote high student achievement for all students while meeting and exceeding state accreditation requirements for each school.

Goal 2: The Board will continue to support and maintain a positive school climate which provides for the safety, health, and well-being for each student.

Goal 3: The Board will continue to provide for and support efforts to attract, develop, and retain highly qualified and effective employees.

Goal 4: The Board will ensure that policies and practices are implemented that promote sound fiscal stewardship and transparency.

Goal 5: The Board will continue to assert its role in the community as the educational policy leader and govern the school division fairly and openly, while seeking the engagement of school community stakeholders in Surry County.

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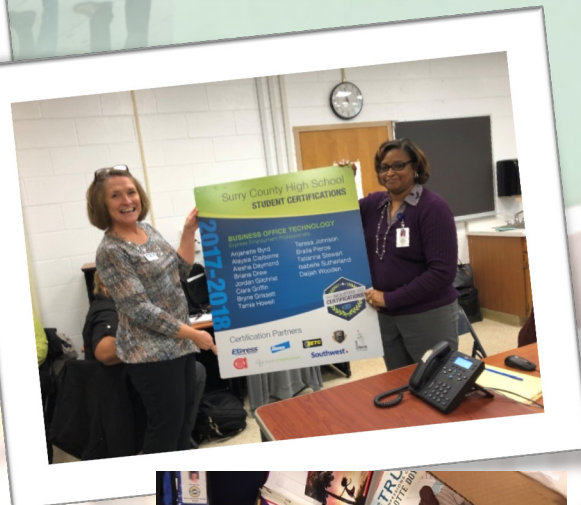


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Our Schools In Action!



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School Division Snapshot

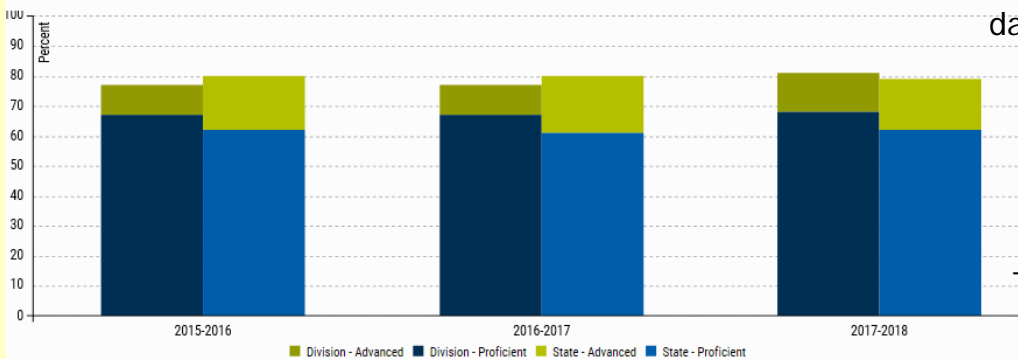
The Virginia Department of Education School Quality Profile provides data on student achievement, college and career readiness, and other topics of interest to the community. These profiles are intended to give educators, parents, students and the community a snapshot of how well our students are learning the concepts presented to them in the classroom. Data is gathered in the areas of Reading, Math, History, Science and Writing.

This report will document achievement over the last three academic school years according to subject areas at the division and school levels.

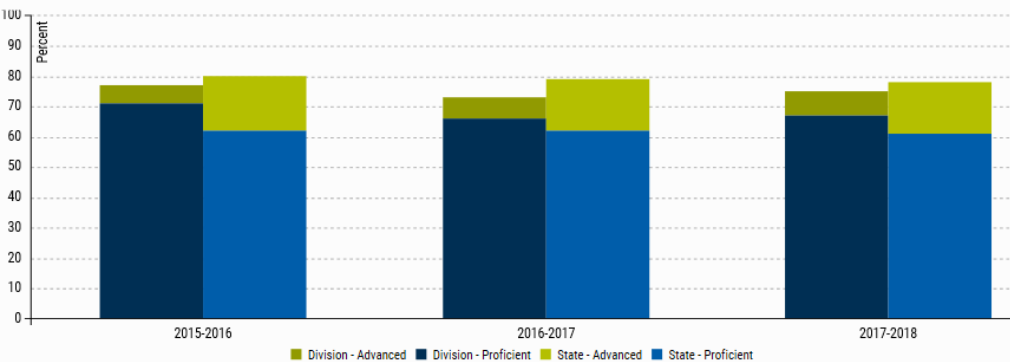
School Division Achievements

- Surry County Public School students outperformed the state on the Reading SOL Assessment for 2017-2018
- Surry County Public Schools demonstrated Growth/improvement in all SOL subjects tested for 2017-2018
- Surry County Public Schools students reduced the achievement gap between Surry County Public Schools and the state on the History SOL for 2017-2018

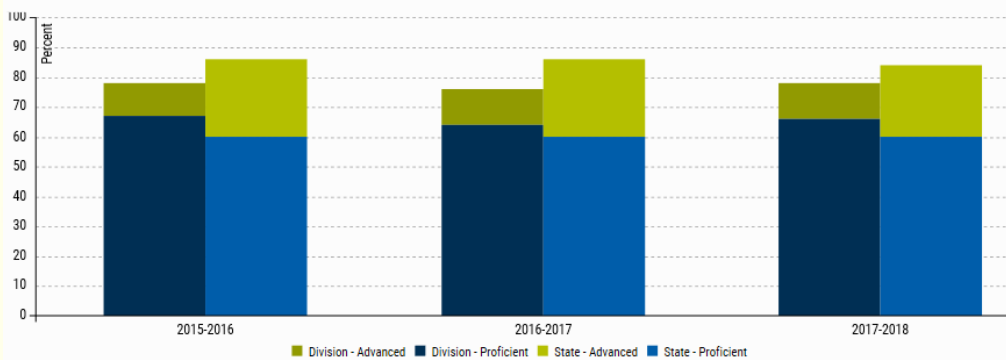
Reading Performance: All Students



Math Performance: All Students



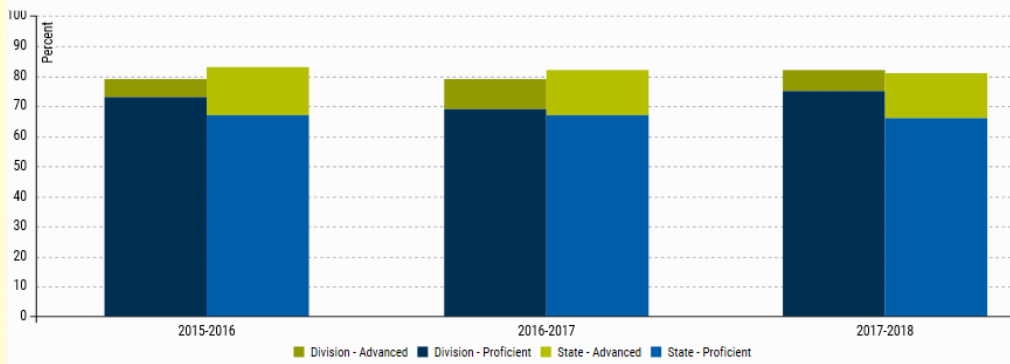
History Performance: All Students



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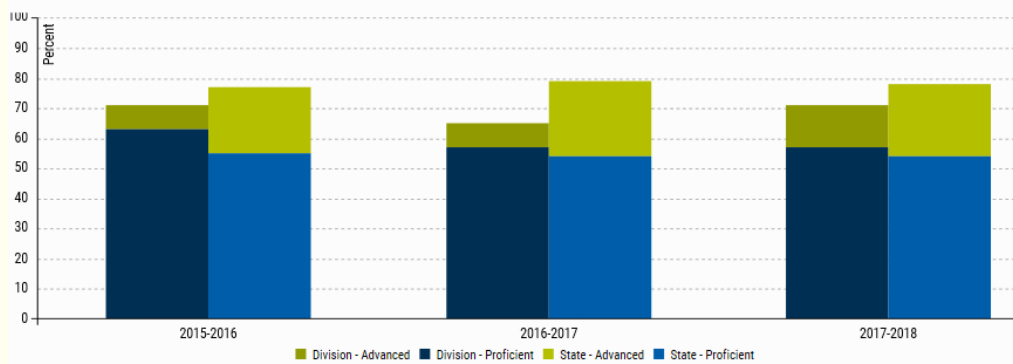
School Division Achievements

Science Performance: All Students



- Surry County Public Schools students outperformed the state on the Science SOL Assessment for 2017-2018

Writing Performance: All Students



- Surry County Public School students reduced the achievement gap on the Writing SOL for 2017-2018

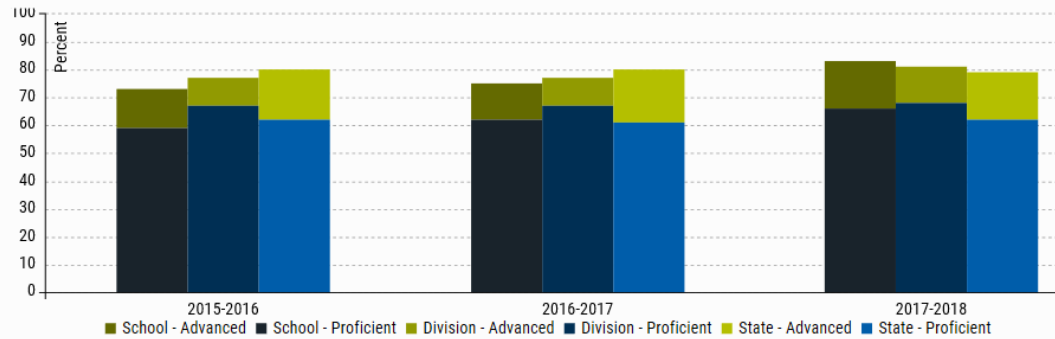
SURRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL QUALITY PROFILE

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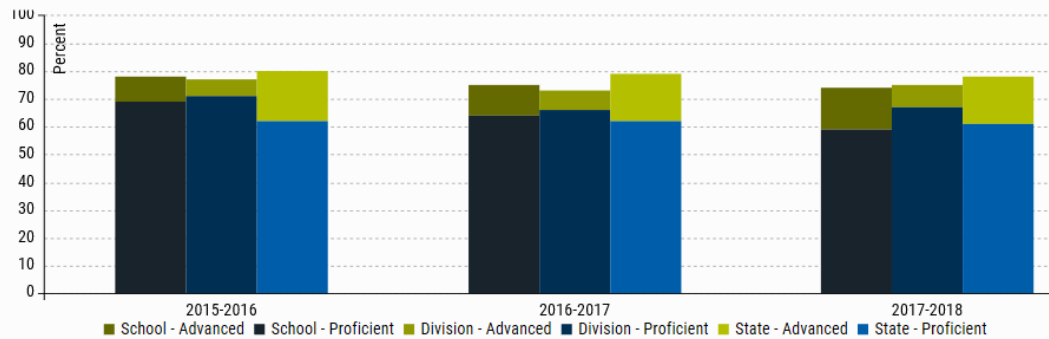
Surry Elementary School Achievements

- Surry Elementary earned full accreditation.
- Surry Elementary students outperformed the state on the Reading SOL Assessment for 2017-2018
- Surry Elementary students demonstrated growth/improvement in Reading for 2017-2018

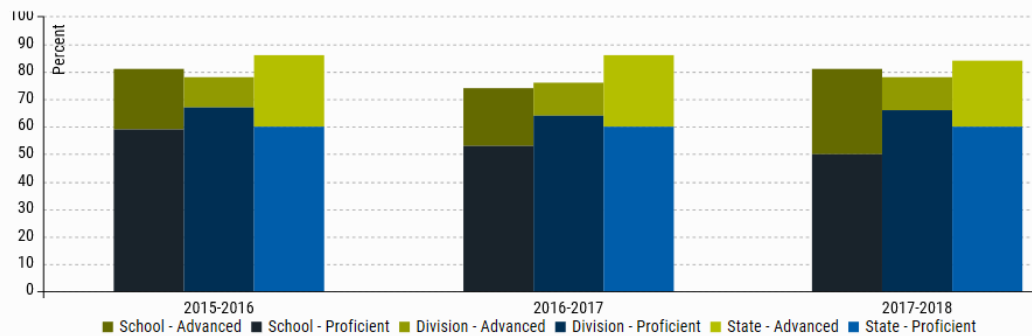
Reading Performance: All Students



Math Performance: All Students



History Performance: All Students



- Surry Elementary students demonstrated growth/improvement in History for 2017-2018

PROMOTING PBIS AT SURRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!!!!

Surry Elementary School faculty and staff enjoy serving your child! The Cougar Cubs are very special to us and it is our desire to make a positive difference in their lives. SES school theme is based on the Disney film Zootopia. ***“In Cougar Cubs’ Schooltopia, Anyone Can be Anything!”*** Surry Elementary school thrives to promote Positive Behavior Interventions of Supports (PBIS)!

Character Education- Character counts at SES! Each month faculty, staff, and students focus on a character word of the month! The character words are posted throughout the school, incorporate in daily lessons, and activities! Cougar Cubs announce them during morning announcements and share examples!

- ◆ September - Respect
- ◆ October - Responsibility
- ◆ November – Trustworthiness
- ◆ December - Kindness
- ◆ January - Forgiveness
- ◆ February - Love
- ◆ March - Perseverance
- ◆ April - Honesty
- ◆ May - Sincerity
- ◆ June – Honor



Cougar Cubs RRRoar into Success–Cougar Cubs embraces SCPS’ district-wide bus and school expectations!

- ◆ Be Respectful
- ◆ Be Responsible
- ◆ Be Ready to Learn/ Ride

Cougar Cubs have the opportunity to earn positive office referrals daily from teachers, bus drivers, staff, and administration for being caught practicing one or more of the three R’s! Their names are announced and they have the opportunity to earn a prize and share their positive office referral with their parents!

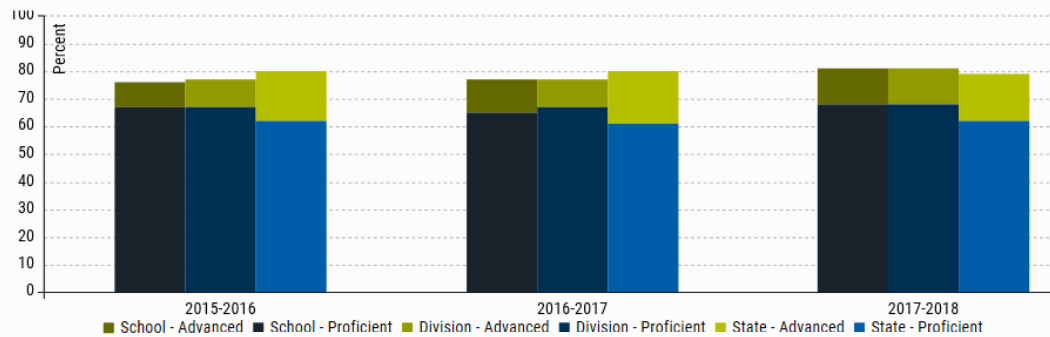
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The Cougar Cub Leveled System- The Cougar Cub System was designed to maintain consistent consequences for all students and to allow as many interventions as possible before out of school suspension.

- ◆ Level I Written Warning (Disorderly Conduct)
- ◆ Level II Mandatory Parent Communication/Conference
- ◆ Level III Referral to the Counselor
- ◆ Level IV Referral to Administrator

Fun Day at SES- Each quarter students can earn the opportunity to participate in a school-wide Fun Day at SES! This opportunity is rewarded to students who have not received a negative referral during the quarter. If students receive a negative referral they can earn five positive referrals to redeem themselves! Each quarter, students have a fresh start!

LUTHER PORTER JACKSON SCHOOL QUALITY PROFILE

Reading Performance: All Students

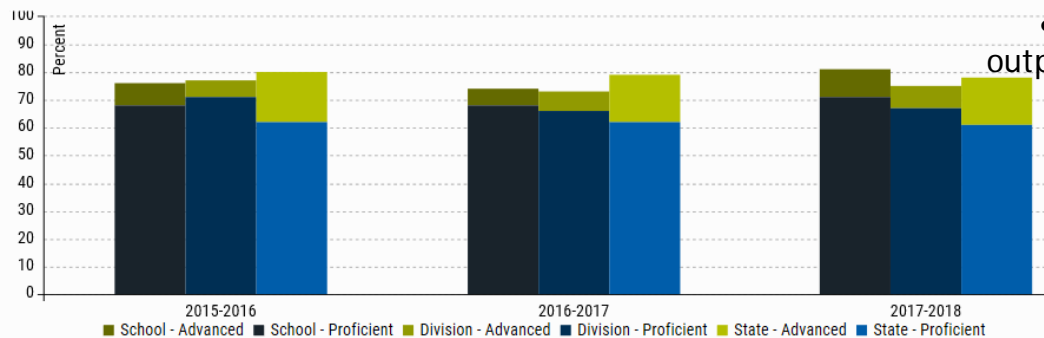


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Luther Porter Jackson Middle School Achievements

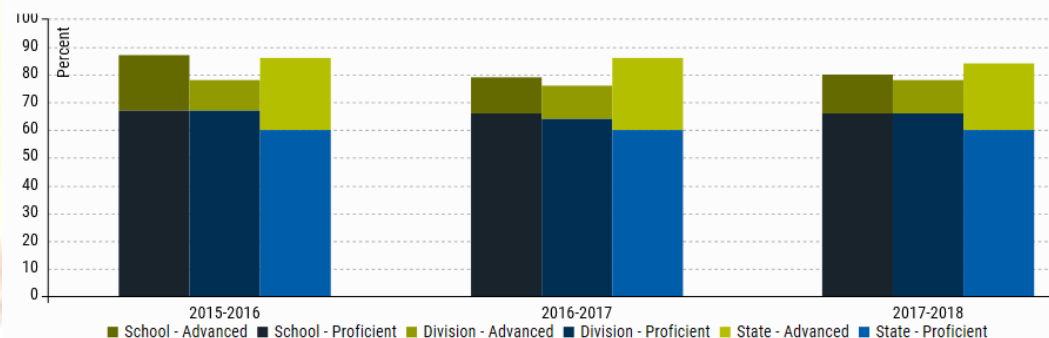
- Luther Porter Jackson Middle School Accredited for 3rd consecutive year.
- Luther Porter Jackson Middle Schools outperform the state on Reading SOL Assessment for 2017-2018.

Math Performance: All Students



- Luther Porter Jackson Middle School students outperformed the state on the Math SOL Assessment for 2017-2018

History Performance: All Students

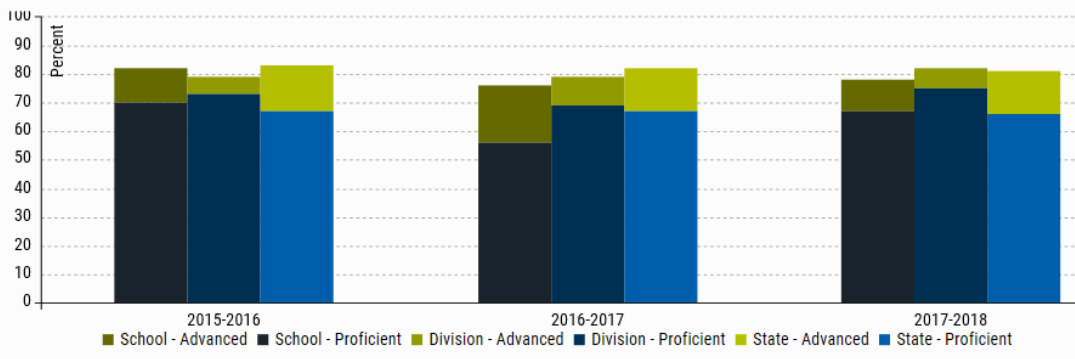


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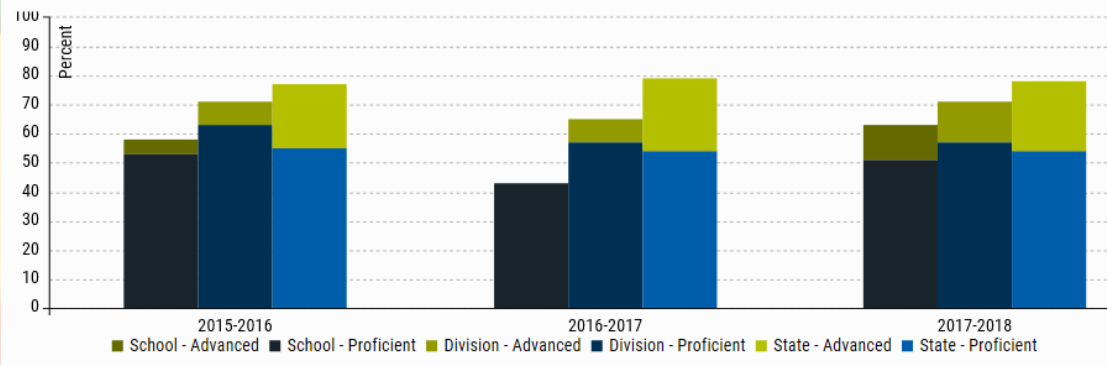
- Luther Porter Jackson Middle School students demonstrated Improvement/growth in all subjects tested for 2017-2018

Science Performance: All Students



Writing Performance: All Students

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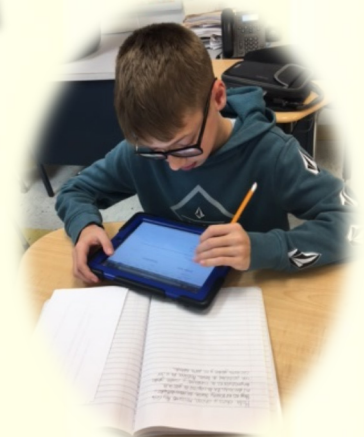
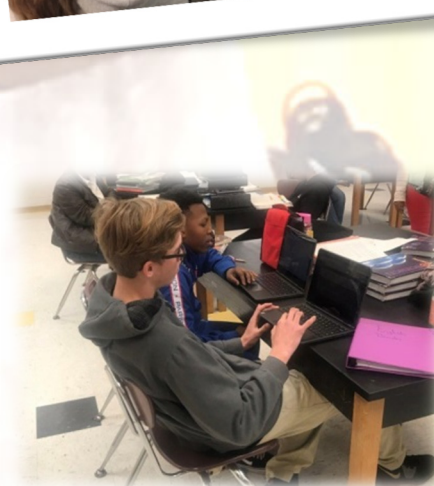
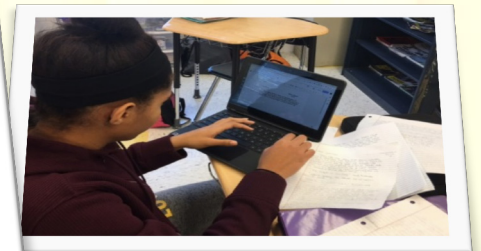
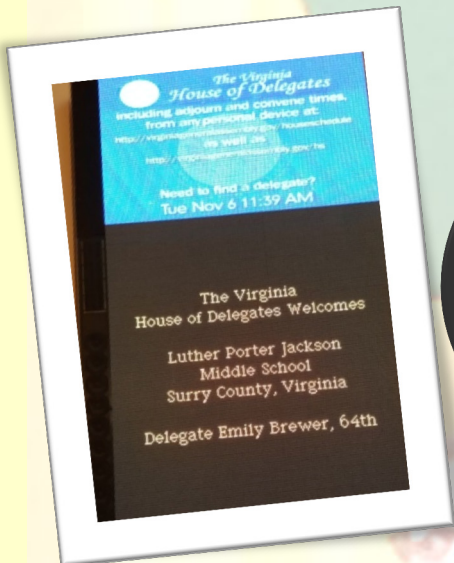
LUTHER PORTER JACKSON SCHOOL

Field Trips

Field trips are important to bringing classroom lessons to life. On a recent visit to the Virginia Assembly, the Seventh Grade team had an opportunity to learn about history, government, architecture and art all at the same time. The students under the leadership of their Civics teacher, Mr. John Knight, had the chance to: view statues of the seven U.S. presidents from Virginia; review historical paintings of key wartime battles; and learn about the numerous changes and renovations to the state capital. The highlight of the day was a visit to the room where laws are made. The students sat in delegates' seats. Delegate Emily Brewer explained how ideas become bills and how bills become law. The students participated in a mock session and voted on three bills: No Bullying; More Recycling; and Better School Lunches.

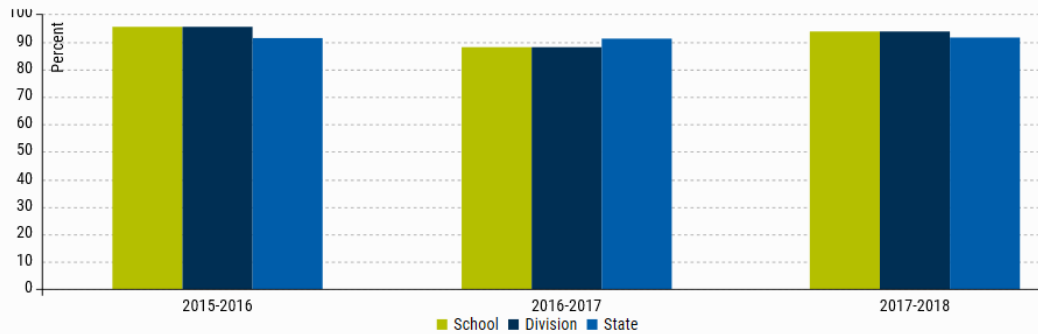
Chromebooks at LPJ Middle School

SCPS distributed over 200 Chromebook laptops to all middle school students as a part of a new one-to-one (1:1) technology device initiative where every student is provided with their own assigned device. Students have access to emails, online resources, and electronic textbooks on their devices. Also, Chromebooks are integrated into the curriculum to enhance the educational experiences of all students in an effort to prepare them for a technology-rich society.



SURRY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL QUALITY PROFILE

On-Time Graduation Rate Over Time: All Students

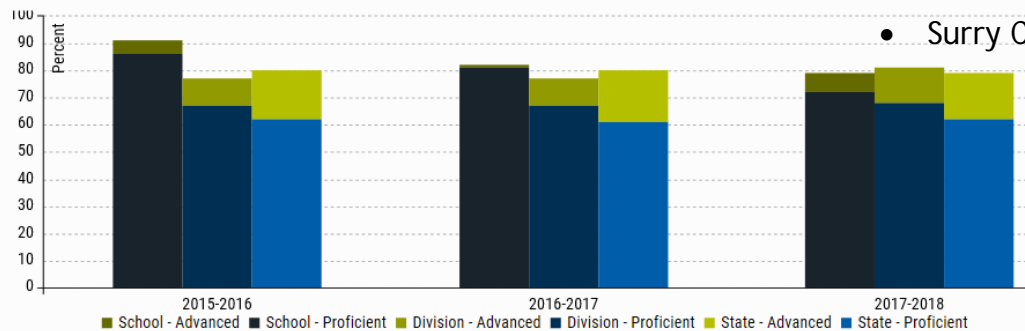


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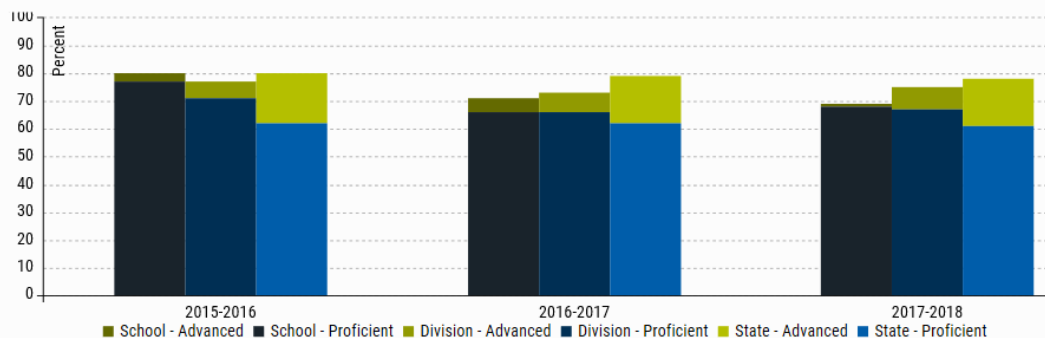
Surry County High School Achievements

- Surry County High School's On-Time Graduation Rate of 93.8% for 2017-2018 exceeds the statewide rate of 91.6%.
- Surry County High School Class of 2018 graduates were offered nearly \$2 million in scholarships and awards.
- Surry County High School students earned 600-700 Dual Enrollment college credits on an annual basis.
- Surry County High School students outperformed the State on Reading SOL Assessment for 2017-2018

Reading Performance: All Students



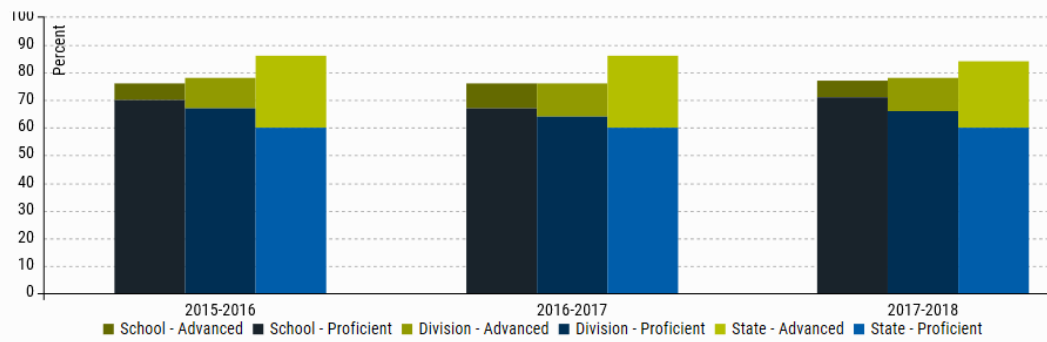
Math Performance: All Students



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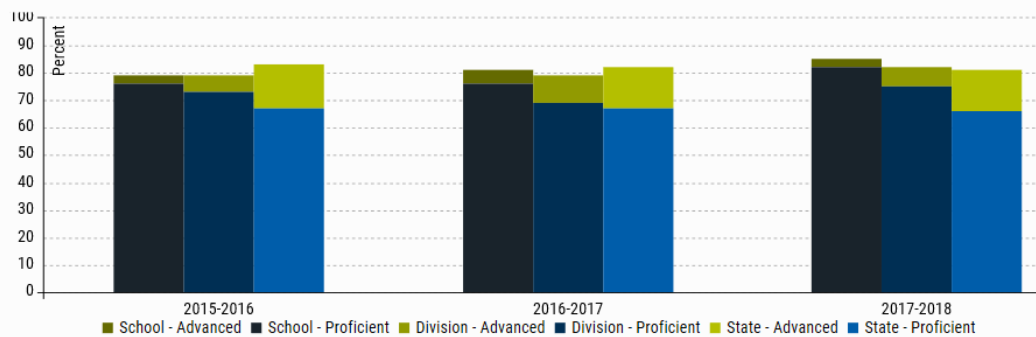
Surry County High School Achievements

History Performance: All Students



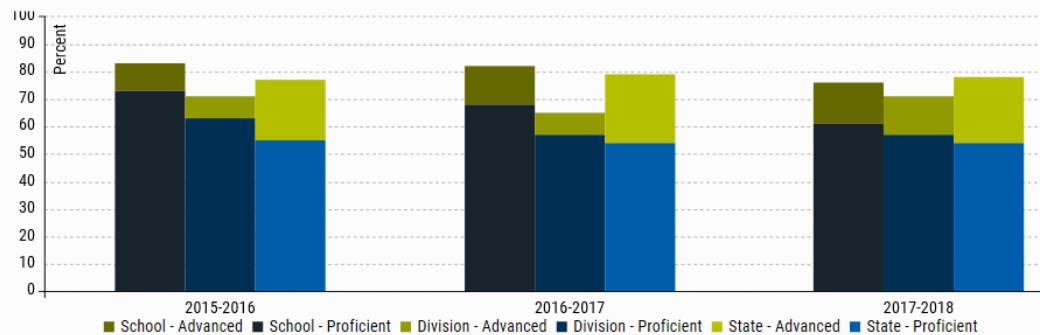
- Surry County High School students demonstrated growth/improvement for History 2017-2018

Science Performance: All Students



- Surry County High School students outperformed the state on Science SOL Assessments for 2017-2018

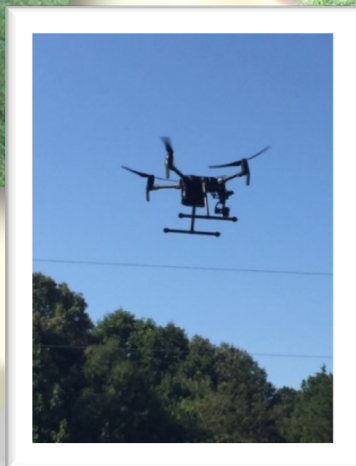
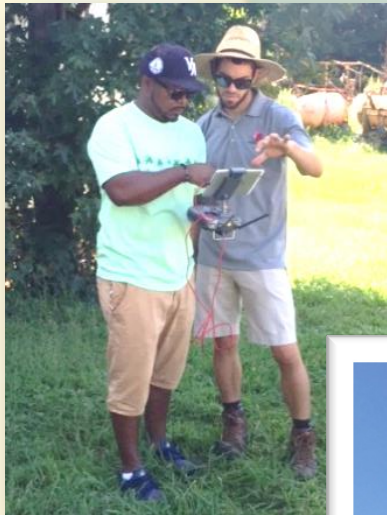
Writing Performance: All Students



Drone Technology Comes to Surry County Public Schools

SCHS teachers, Adrian Foster and Breyon Pierce, received a 2018 Virginia Department of Education CTE Competitive Innovative Program Equipment Grant that addressed the need for innovative equipment aimed at expanding students' classroom experiences. The grant focused on Drone Technology usage in the areas of Agriculture and Technology Education. Students will use drones to conduct soil analysis; plant counting/yield production; vegetation management; facilities inspection; aerial surveying; and digital photography. Drone Technology coincides with our goals to prepare all students to be competitive employees in the 21st century workplace.


The pictures below are from the Drone Training from August 21-23, 2018 in Raleigh, North Carolina at Precision Hawk, Inc.





Hydroponics, Aquaponics, and Raised Garden Beds

The Agriculture Department recently added three hands-on educational experiences: Hydroponics, Aquaponics, and raised garden beds. Hydroponics is the indoor science of using water and light to grow plants. In addition to indoor hydroponics there is also an indoor Aquaponics pond that is stocked with Tilapias. Waste products from the fish are used as nutrient to grow plants outside in the raised garden beds.





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