



# Dare County Alternative School

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## School Message

Dare County Alternative School is very proud of our accomplishments last year. We Met Growth on the Alternative School Accountability Model and achieved all of our Local Option Goals. Our graduation rate, attendance rates and persistence rates have remained high. Together with parents and guardians, other schools in the district and our community partners, we strive to maintain a safe and supportive learning community in which every student can have the ability to SOAR!

## Our Beliefs:

- Students are best able to excel when we address their needs individually
- All students have the ability to be successful
- Parents, students, staff and the community must work collaboratively for students to succeed
- Blended learning of online resources, project based initiatives, and direct instruction provide a unique combination that allows students to succeed by learning at their own pace

## Our Mission:

The mission of the Dare County Alternative School is to instruct and assist at-risk students so they may be successful, both as students and individuals. Our school strives to encourage students to take responsibility for their own learning and behavior so they may develop the skills and habits needed to be successful in school and life.

## Our Vision:

Our staff is committed to "Bridging the Gap" to success. We have established wonderful relationships with community partners and plan to work collectively with parents and staff to prepare our students to face the challenges of the 21st Century.

## School Improvement Goals:

- Higher Expectations for Student Achievement
- School Persistence
- School Growth

## 2015-2016 Accomplishments

- Nineteen students graduated from Dare County Alternative School in 2015-2016.
- The school's on-time graduation rate for 2015-2016 was 73.3%. This is the school's third highest rate since the Department of Public Instruction began reporting this information in 2005-2006.
- In 2015-2016 the percentage of students receiving three or more discipline referrals decreased to 22%. This was an impressive 19% decrease from the previous year.
- The percentage of alternative school students who either graduated or remained in school through the end of the school year increased from 90.9% in 2014-2015 to 93.75% in 2015-2016.

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 Grade Range: 9-12  
Alternative Education  
Traditional Calendar

 Dare County Schools  
<http://dcas.daretolearn.org>

Priority School

**SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADE**

Achievement Indicators	Score
English II Proficiency	
Math I Proficiency	
Biology Proficiency	
The ACT Proficiency	
ACT WorkKeys	
4-Year Graduation Rate	
Passing Math III	

". " = &lt; 5% of students; 95% = ≥ 95%

**Growth Status**

	Score	Grade
Achievement		
Growth		
School Performance		
EOG Reading	.	
EOG Math	.	

**Formula for determining the School Performance Grade:**

- 80 percent of the School Performance Grade is based on the school achievement score. The school achievement score is calculated using a composite method based on the points earned by a school on all of the tests measured for that school
- 20 percent of the School Performance Grade is based on academic growth
- If a school has met expected growth and inclusion of the school's growth score reduces the school's performance score and grade, a school may choose to use the school achievement score solely to calculate the performance score and grade

**A+NG Schools:** A+NG schools earned a score of 85-100 and do not have significant achievement or graduation gaps.

**SCHOOL PERFORMANCE  
GRADING SCALE**

Grade Range	Letter Grade
85-100	A
70-84	B
55-69	C
40-54	D
Below 40	F

**SCHOOL PROFILE**

**School Size:** The total number of students in this school and the average number of students in schools with similar grade ranges at the district and state levels.

Our School	30
District	420
State	860

**Average Course Size:** The average number of students enrolled in the courses listed at the time of End-of-Course testing.

	English II	Math I	Biology
Our School	6	.	7
District	15	18	12
State	18	20	18

\* Legislation mandates that class sizes for grades 4-12 are not restricted.

**School Attendance:** The average percentage of students who attend school daily.

Our School	73.3%
District	93.8%
State	95.1%

## SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Course Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 1 ( Limited Command** of knowledge and skills)

LEVEL 1	English II	Math I	Biology
Our School	61.5%	.	50.0%
District	12.9%	.	13.2%
State	20.4%	.	23.2%

N/A = < 5% of students; 95% = ≥ 95%

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Course Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 2 ( Partial Command** of knowledge and skills)

LEVEL 2	English II	Math I	Biology
Our School	7.7%	.	18.8%
District	15.4%	.	15.7%
State	20.8%	.	21.2%

N/A = < 5% of students; 95% = ≥ 95%

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Course Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 3 ( Sufficient Command** of knowledge and skills)  
*Students performing at Level 3 are performing at grade level.*

LEVEL 3	English II	Math I	Biology
Our School	15.4%	.	12.5%
District	8.7%	.	9.9%
State	9.2%	.	8.3%

N/A = < 5% of students; 95% = ≥ 95%

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Course Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 4 ( Solid Command** of knowledge and skills)  
*Students scoring at Level 4 meet NC Standard for College-and Career-Readiness and are performing at or above grade level.*

LEVEL 4	English II	Math I	Biology
Our School	15.4%	.	18.8%
District	56.9%	.	42.9%
State	43.9%	.	31.5%

N/A = < 5% of students; 95% = ≥ 95%

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Course Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 5 ( Superior Command** of knowledge and skills)  
*Students scoring at Level 5 meet NC Standard for College-and Career-Readiness and are performing at or above grade level.*

LEVEL 5	English II	Math I	Biology
Our School	N/A	.	N/A
District	6.2%	.	18.4%
State	5.7%	.	15.8%

N/A = < 5% of students; 95% = ≥ 95%

## FIVE ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS

**LEVEL 1: Limited Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: NO
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

**LEVEL 2: Partial Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: NO
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

**LEVEL 3: Sufficient Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

**LEVEL 4: Solid Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: YES

**LEVEL 5: Superior Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: YES

### What does this achievement level number mean?

Students scoring at Levels 1 and 2 will likely need additional help next year to succeed in that subject area. Students scoring at Level 3 are considered proficient for that grade level or course, but may still need some targeted help in the next grade or course. Students scoring at Levels 4 and 5 are ready for the next grade or course, and are also on a path to be prepared for college or a career by the time they graduate.

**Annual Participation Requirements:** Schools are required to test at least 95 percent of their students on assessments administered for accountability. This requirement is for the all students group and for each student group. The minimum number of students needed in a group is 30.

Our school met 1 out of 1 targets.

For more information on participation requirements please go to [www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting).

## QUALITY TEACHERS

	Total Number of Classroom Teachers*	Fully Licensed Teachers	Teachers with Advanced Degrees	National Board Certified Teachers*	Years of Teaching Experience			Teacher Turnover Rate
					0-3 years	4-10 years	10+ years	
<b>Our School</b>	6	83.3%	16.7%	3	16.7%	0.0%	83.3%	16.7%
<b>District</b>	34	96.0%	26.7%	7	16.7%	21.6%	61.8%	15.1%
<b>State</b>	54	89.7%	24.0%	8	23.1%	23.5%	53.4%	14.8%

\* The total number of teachers in this school and the average number of teachers in schools with similar grade ranges at the district and state level.

### Highly Qualified Teachers:

Percentage of classes taught by Highly Qualified teachers as defined by federal law.

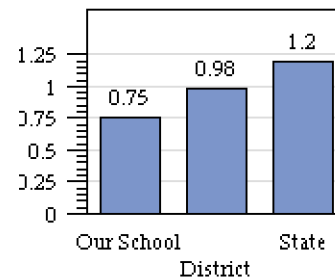
<b>Our School</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>District</b>	<b>98.6%</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>96.4%</b>

## SAFE, ORDERLY AND CARING SCHOOLS

**School Safety:** The number of criminal acts reported per 100 students. Criminal acts include all acts occurring in school, on a school bus, on school grounds, or during off-campus, school-sponsored activities.

<b>Our School</b>	<b>3.33</b>
<b>District</b>	<b>1.19</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>1.27</b>

**Access to Technology:** The Number of Students per Internet-Connected Digital Learning Device



On this measure, smaller numbers are better than larger ones; there are more computers available to students when the number of students per computer is low.

### KEEPING YOU INFORMED

More information about your school is available on the NC School Report Cards website at: <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/src/>