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MTSD Posts Highest ACT Score in Wisconsin with 25.9 Composite

Ninth Consecutive Year Scoring 25.0 or Higher

MEQUON, WI. — The Mequon-Thiensville School District is pleased to announce that Homestead High School's Class of 2015 recorded an average composite ACT score of 25.9, the highest district-wide score in the state. This marks the ninth consecutive year that Homestead has posted an average composite score of 25.0 or higher on the ACT.

"It is reassuring to know that the combined efforts of Homestead High School's students, faculty, staff, and administration continue to produce exceptional results," said Homestead High School Principal Brett Bowers. "With nearly 90 percent of our graduates enrolled in post-secondary education, we strive to prepare all of our students for success beyond Homestead."

The Mequon-Thiensville School District ranked the best in the state. Wisconsin's average composite ACT score remains steady at 22.2, tying Iowa for second in the nation on the ACT assessment among states where the majority of students take the exam. The national average was 21.

"Such success reflects the district's commitment to supporting and challenging all of our students," said Superintendent Dr. Demond Means. "While we have much to be proud of as a district, we refuse to rest on our laurels. We chase continuous improvement with furious enthusiasm. I want to thank our students, staff and community for their continued support in our mission to provide an exceptional education to every MTSD student. Nonetheless, we are pleased to know that we have achieved the state's top ACT composite while increasing the number of students taking the college access exam."

The District also pleased to share its subgroup performance results. African American students in the Mequon-Thiensville School District outpaced their state (16.3) and national (17.1) counterparts with a 22.0 composite score. Special Education students (21.2) and Free and Reduced Lunch students (22.1) in the district also posted strong results on the most recent ACT.

"The District's relentless focus on closing the achievement gap is reaping positive results," said Dr. Means. "Although we are pleased with our aggregate and disaggregated results, we understand that it is our moral imperative as public educators to ensure all of our students reach their full potential on important college access exams like the ACT."

ACT Composite Benchmark Comparison:

School District	2014-15 Average Composite
Mequon-Thiensville	25.9
Whitefish Bay	25.8
Cedarburg	25.5
Elmbrook	25.5
Shorewood	24.9
Grafton	24.2

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