



ACE City Summary – Kansas City, KS

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Key Academic Findings

- **A higher rate of ACE scholars are proficient at reading and math** – a higher proportion of ACE scholars are proficient at third-grade reading and eighth grade math, than students in the select Kansas City school districts.
- **ACE students have a slightly higher Grade Point Average than their public school peers** – ACE scholars have a 3.66 GPA, slightly higher than their peers' (3.65). Further, this GPA is 22% higher than the national GPA (3.00).
- **ACE-affiliated schools have stronger high school graduation rates** – ACE-affiliated schools reported all of their students graduated from high school (100%), which is 10.2 points higher than the overall graduation rate of the selected Kansas City school districts, and 19.3 points higher than the FRL-eligible high school graduation rate at these school districts.
- **ACE schools report higher college matriculation rates than Kansas City school districts** – nearly all students at ACE-affiliated schools went to college (98%) than any of the select school districts in the Kansas City area.

Key Findings from Parents

- **Safety and academics are driving factors for choice** – most ACE parents choose private schools due to the safer environment (90%), followed by the faith-based curriculum (85%), and the better academics (80%).

ACE-affiliated Building Findings

- **ACE-affiliated schools are at 35.7% capacity** – Nearly one thousand (938) seats are available for students at ACE-affiliated Kansas City schools.