



ACE State Summary – Wyoming

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Key Academic Findings

- **A higher percentage of ACE scholars are proficient at reading and math** – Seventy-three percent of ACE students are proficient in third-grade reading compared to 51 percent of their public school peers. Likewise, 60 percent of ACE students are proficient in math in eighth grade compared to 52 percent of Wyoming eighth-graders.
- **ACE partner schools report higher college matriculation rates than the state of Wyoming** – More students at ACE partner schools went on to college (95 percent), which is approximately 41.2 percentage points higher than the matriculation rate for the entire state of Wyoming.

Key Findings from Parents

- **Academics, faith, and safety drive parental choice** – Most ACE parents choose private schools due to better academics (91.8 percent), faith-based curriculum (87.8 percent), and safer environments (85.7 percent).
- **Wyoming ACE parents cited access to teachers as another key reason for choosing schools** – Approximately 83.7 percent of ACE parents cited access to teachers as a deciding factor for choosing these schools.
- **ACE household income is half that of Wyoming households with school-aged children** – Median annual household income in ACE households (\$38,000) is approximately half of that of the average Wyoming household with school-aged children (\$74,000).

ACE Partner School Findings

- **ACE partner schools are at 74.6 percent capacity** – There are 568 seats at ACE partner schools in Wyoming.
- **Teacher and principal tenure are comparable to public school educators** – On average, teachers at ACE partner schools have seven years of experience, compared to nearly ten years for public school teachers.