



## Class of '16 Earns Highest D303 ACT Score

East and North High Schools Also Score Highest Marks



Students who graduated from Community Unit School District 303 in 2016 earned an ACT Composite score of 23.8, which is the highest ever ACT Composite score for District 303 students. The Classes of 2010 and 2014 had earned the previous highest Composite score with 23.6.

The Class of 2016 posted the highest District 303 scores ever in English (23.6), and in Reading (23.8), and also tied the highest mark in Science (23.4).

District 303 scores for the 2016 Senior class are well above the Illinois state averages: 3.1 higher in English; 3.1 higher in Mathematics; 2.8 higher in Reading; 2.8 higher in Science; and 3.0 higher for the Composite score. Each of those margins is the highest spread ever between the District 303 score and the Illinois state average.

The St. Charles North H.S. Class of 2016 earned their school's highest Composite score ever with 24.1, which surpassed the 23.8 mark of the Class of 2011 and the Class of 2014. The North H.S. Class of 2016 also set new high marks for their school in English (23.9), Reading (24.1) and Science (23.7).

The 23.5 Composite score of the Class of 2016 at St. Charles East H.S. matches the highest Composite score ever posted at the school. The Class of 2010 and the Class of 2014 also earned a 23.5 score. The East H.S. Class of 2016 also posted the highest mark ever for the school in Reading (23.6) and tied the high mark in English (23.3) which was posted by the Class of 2012.

Also of note, the 1,182 members of the Class of 2016 who took the ACT is the largest number of District 303 students to have ever taken the test.





## **Kick-a-Thon Takes Place Friday, September 16**

Kick-a-Thon is one of the top fundraising events in District 303 and in St. Charles every year. The event is conducted by the combined efforts of the drill teams at St. Charles East and St. Charles North High Schools. Please mark your calendar for this year's event as it comes up earlier on the school year calendar than in recent years. The Kick-a-Thon will be held on Friday, September 16 as part of the festivities surrounding the St. Charles East vs. St. Charles North football game. To donate, volunteer, or participate in Kick-a-Thon, [click here](#) to visit their website.

### **Haines Student Generates YouTube Buzz with “The Bully”**

Jonah Maxwell is a 7th Grade student at Haines Middle School who is also an aspiring filmmaker. During the Spring and Summer, Jonah wrote, produced, directed and edited a short film about how bullying affects students his age. The final product is “The Bully” and you can view the film on YouTube if you [click here](#).

“The Bully” has received over 100,000 views on YouTube. The film has been boosted thanks to a Tweet about the movie from CNN’s Chris Cuomo, and Jonah will appear Monday at 7 a.m. on the WGN-TV Morning News.







# North H.S. Student Organizes Event to Fight Hunger

St. Charles North H.S. senior Claire Miller is leading the effort to stage a community wide service event on **Sunday, November 6**. The entire District 303 community is invited to join together to fight hunger in the Make A Difference St. Charles Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) Mobile Pack Event. Community members can support this MobilePack by making a donation to cover the costs of the meals to be packed, or by volunteering to package food at the event. The goal is to pack 100,000 meals. Each meal costs 22 cents, making the funding goal \$22,000. Donations are being accepted now. Volunteer registration will be available September 25. To learn more, please visit [fmsc.org/MobilePack](http://fmsc.org/MobilePack). If you have questions please contact Claire Miller at [makeadifferencestc@gmail.com](mailto:makeadifferencestc@gmail.com).

## School Events of Interest

The St. Charles East Girls Volleyball Team will host their annual clinic on Sunday, September 18 from 1-4 p.m. in the St. Charles East H.S. Gym. The clinic is for boys and girls grades 2nd-8th and the cost of \$35 includes a clinic t-shirt. [Click here](#) to register on-line.

## Home Access Center (HAC)



### How to Set Up a Home Access Center Account

To create an account you must have a current and valid e-mail address on file with your school.

1. Supply a valid e-mail address to your school (if you haven't done so already).
2. Set up an ID. The Home Access Center (HAC) can be found on [district.d303.org](http://district.d303.org) in the "For Parents" menu.

**VERY IMPORTANT** - City name must be entered according to the posted instructions. Video tutorials are available online to assist with login and navigation.

[Learn more.](#)



## Get the App!

The District 303 Mobile App is available for free download for Apple and Android devices. Search CUSD 303 in the App Store or Google Play to download the app. If you would like to see a short video about the App, watch the video in the Video Vault at [www.d303.org](http://www.d303.org)



## Mark Your Calendars

### Friday, September 2

Teachers' Institute Day (No Classes)

### Monday, September 5

Labor Day (No Classes)

### Friday, October 7

School Improvement Day (No Classes)

### Monday, October 10

Columbus Day (No Classes)

### Friday, October 28

End of 1st Quarter for Middle and High Schools

## Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

### Monday, September 12

BOE Regular Meeting - 7 p.m.  
at **Corron Elementary**

### Monday, September 26

Community Relations Committee - 5 p.m.

### Monday, September 19

Learning & Teaching Committee - 5 p.m.



## Check Out Our Interactive Boundary Map

In addition to the boundary maps that are posted on our website, we now have an interactive map upon which you can enter an address and see the schools assigned to that address. [Click here](#) to check it out!

(Please keep in mind all attendance area questions are officially determined by contacting the schools.)



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District 303 has added Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube to our community communications toolbox. In addition to [district.d303.org](http://district.d303.org), ParentLink and the FOCUS magazine, you can keep up with news from the District via Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. On Facebook, Like us by visiting our page and on Twitter follow us at @StCharlesD303. To check out our YouTube Channel visit StCharlesCUSD303 when you are logged into YouTube.