County Surpasses State's Graduation Rate

Clinton – October 3, 2017 While the State of Tennessee announced a 89.1 percent high school graduation rate, Anderson County recorded a rate of 95.9 percent for the 2017-2018 school year.

According to ACS Director of Secondary Schools Eric Snider, the high school also maintained the highest attendance percentage in memorable history with an average of 96.7 percent.

"We would like to congratulate all of our hardworking students, parents, and our outstanding high school staff for this awesome accomplishment," said Snider.

The state rate is the highest graduation rate on record, according to Education Commissioner Candice McQueen.

The calculations for graduation rates have gotten more rigorous since 2011, according to the Tennessee Department of Education. One significant change is that participation in the ACT or SAT is now required.

"Our schools and districts should be proud that once again we have hit our state's highest graduation rate on record while still holding our students to high expectations," McQueen said.

"By continuing to raise the expectations, we are signaling that Tennessee students are leaving high school with the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce.

This graduation rate is a testament to the work being done by teachers and students in schools across the state."