

# Board Bulletin

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## School System – SAT Outcome Results

SAT scores for public school systems across the state of North Carolina were released earlier this week. The state average for all students taking the SAT was 1,485. The national average was 1,453.

Based on the North Carolina results, only twenty-three (23) traditional or public charter high schools had an average SAT score higher than Gray Stone Day School this past year.

Below please find the results from each Stanly County high school and an overall comparison of Stanly County to other city and county school systems in the region:

	Mean Total SAT <sup>1</sup> FY 14-15	Mean Total SAT <sup>1</sup> FY 15-16
Gray Stone	1,616	1,646
<b>State Avg.</b>	<b>1,478</b>	<b>1,485</b>
<b>National Avg.</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,453</b>
North Stanly	1,338	1,423
South Stanly	1,439	1,421
West Stanly	1,442	1,417
<b>Stanly County</b>	<b>1,383</b>	<b>1,391</b>
Albemarle	1,243	1,259
Early College	1,506	*

School District	Mean Total SAT FY 14-15	Mean Total SAT FY 15-16
<b>Gray Stone</b>	<b>1,683</b>	<b>1,646</b>
<b>Union</b>	1,524	1,547
<b>Cabarrus</b>	1,493	1,490
<b>State Average</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>1,485</b>
<b>Davidson</b>	1,469	1,464
<b>National Average</b>	<b>1,497</b>	<b>1,453</b>
<b>Randolph</b>	1,402	1,408
<b>Stanly County</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>1,391</b>
<b>Rowan-Salisbury</b>	1,399	1,377
<b>Montgomery</b>	1,235	1,265
<b>Anson</b>	1,210	1,195

<sup>1</sup> – Based on cumulative math, reading and writing composite score  
\* -Insufficient data due to less than ten (10) test takers

## Building & Land Use Trends

Based on three (3) months of performance data, the County’s overall economic development (EDC), land use activity, and real estate transactions continue to trend differently than the same time period (July-Sept) in 2015.

The most distinct differences are as follows: (1) new home construction permits continue to trend lower; (2) overall building permits are trending slightly higher; (3) the EDC has placed significant emphasis on existing business and industry; (4) the number of new active project leads in EDC has declined; and (5) the value of construction and renovation permits has declined.

Indicator	July-Sept (FY 15-16)	July-Sept (FY 16-17)	% Diff.
New Active Leads in EDC	6	2	<b>-67%</b>
Site Visits and/or Prospect Meetings for EDC	21	20	<b>-5%</b>
Existing Industry Visits	9	18	<b>+100%</b>
Building Permits Issued	835	867	<b>+4%</b>
New Home Construction Permits	49	47	<b>-4%</b>
Total Permit Value (\$ millions)	21.3	17.8	<b>-16%</b>
Major Subdivisions	1	2	<b>+100%</b>
Deeds of Trust Indexed	473	518	<b>+10%</b>
Phone Calls Received-Central Permitting	4,458	5,355	<b>+20%</b>
Customers Served at Counter- Central Permitting	993	794	<b>-20%</b>