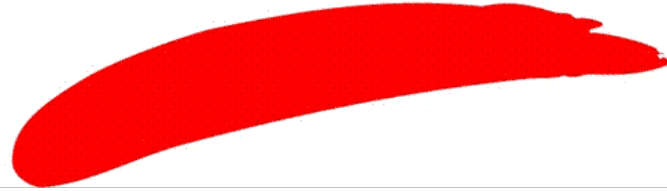

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CMAC Meeting
February 7, 2017
Dr. Joyce Hardaway

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- Focus on improving academics - particularly the ACT
 - At selected Hamilton County schools
 - Partnership with local community organizations

Times Free Press Feature

Hamilton County Schools' ACT score growth outpaces state and national averages

August 25th, 2016 | by Kendi A. Rainwater | in Local Regional News | Read Time: 5 mins. |



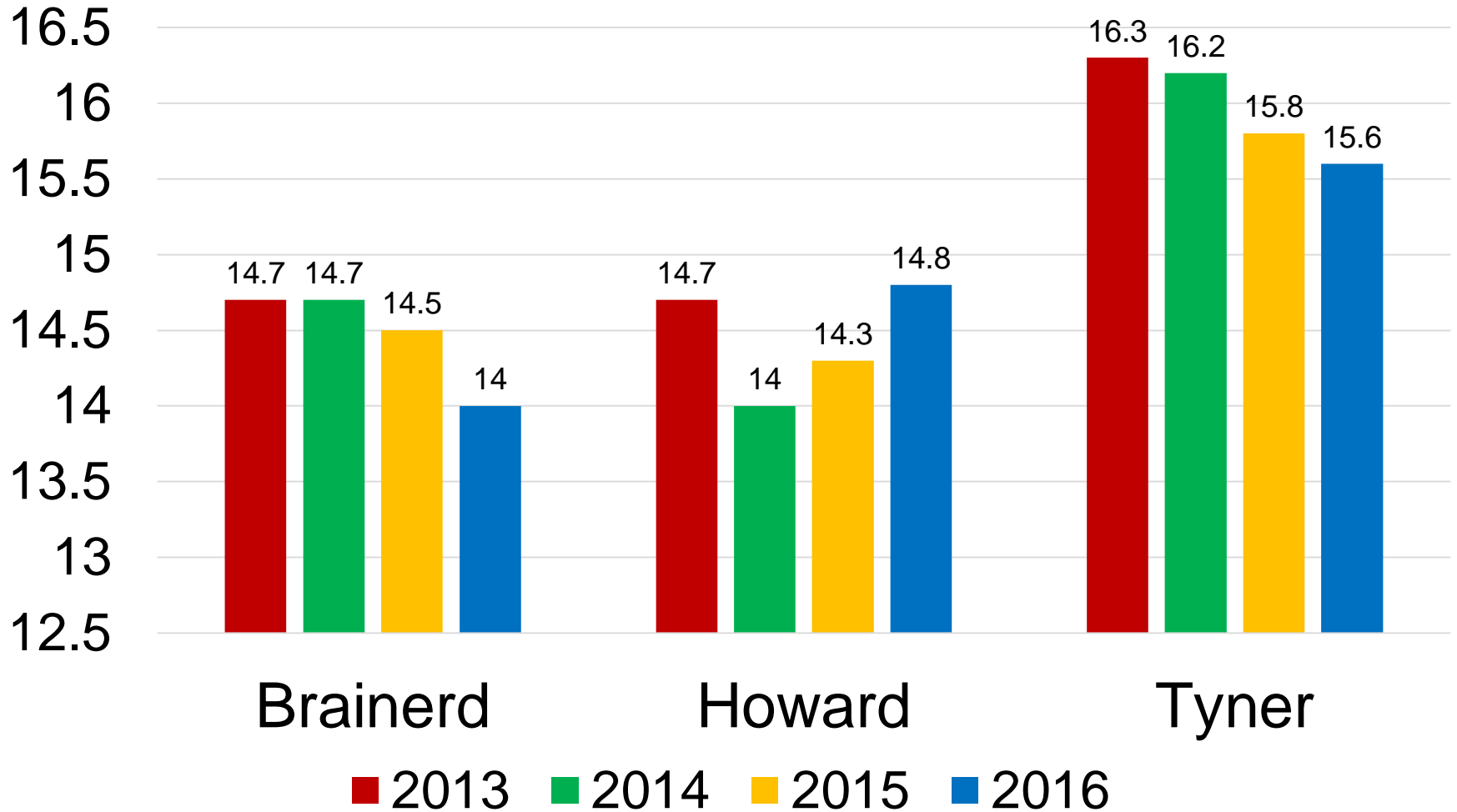
<http://www.timesfreepress.com/news/local/story/2016/aug/25/celebrating-success-hamiltcounty-improves-act/382929/>

Hamilton County Schools

- “Outpaced both state and nation on ACT growth in 2016”
- 2016 graduating class
 - Posted a 1.1-point gain on the ACT
 - Average of 20.6 out of a possible 36

What's Been the Growth?

Hamilton County Schools' Average ACT Scores



Hamilton County Schools cont'd

- The Howard School - only inner city high school to show growth
- For reference, UTC's first-time freshman ACT average is 23.7

ACT Improvement Strategy

- August Strategy Meeting with:

Terry Denniston

Yancy Freeman

Chris Ramsey

Travis Lytle

Bryan Samuel

Richard Brown

Joyce Hardaway

- September Meeting – learned of successes in Birmingham with CAMP (College Admission Made Possible)

ACT Improvement Strategy cont'd

- December Meeting with principals of:
 - Brainerd High School
 - The Howard School
 - Tyner Academy

What is Brainerd Doing?

- Interested in moving forward
- Administered practice ACT Test for Juniors on Wednesday, January 18, 2017
- Gear Up doing ACT Prep two days a week after school
- ACT Boot Camp continued from last semester with two scheduled for spring semester

What is Howard Doing?

- Two practice assessment with 11th graders
- Two ACT prep courses during the school year - students can earn one credit towards graduation
- GEAR UP provides scheduled small group support sessions for students during and after school hours

What is Howard Doing? cont'd

- One day ACT prep session with 12th grade students prior to the ACT being administered in the fall
- After school and Saturday ACT prep sessions offered after school utilizing the LINKS

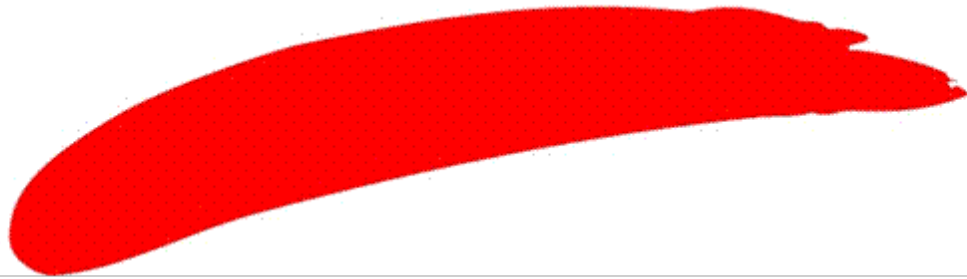
What is Tyner Doing?

- Juniors taking weekly practice tests during advising; focus on weakest areas for drills
- ACT prep teacher in computer lab for student practice

What is Tyner Doing? cont'd

- Bi-weekly tests and data analysis
- Student incentives for growth
- ACT Blast held first semester; second one begins February 18 (four Saturdays)

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Questions?