

ASSISTANCE *plus*

Statutory Authority 1008.33(2)

- **District Assurance of Compliance with *Assistance Plus* District Action Plans**
- **Approval of District Action Plans for Repeating F Schools**

Governing Principles

- The District shall be held accountable for providing necessary resources to have all students performing at acceptable levels.
- The State shall provide expectations and necessary resources to enable districts to have all students performing at acceptable levels.
- The State Board of Education shall be prepared to take action in the event that districts are unsuccessful at having all students performing at acceptable levels.

Assurances

100% of the 25 school districts with F and/or repeating F schools communicated in writing agreement to comply with Assistance Plus District Action Plan requirements for F and/or repeating F schools.

Required Options for Actions for Repeating F Schools

- Close
- Restructure
 - Makes fundamental reforms, such as significant changes in the school's staffing and governance, to improve student academic achievement in the school
- Charter
- Contract Out

Districts with Repeating F Schools

- Broward (2)
- Miami-Dade (3)
- Duval (1)
- Gadsden (1)
- Jefferson (1)
- Madison (1)
- Orange (3)
- Palm Beach (2)
- Polk (1)

Required Action for Repeating F Charters that were Reconstituted and the year following Reconstitution earn a Grade of F

Close

Districts with Reconstituted F Charters

- Polk (1); Closing Academic Research Center, these students have been enrolled in Lake Gibson High School. The district has assured compliance with *Assistance Plus* for these students.

Broward (2)

Lauderdale Manors Elementary

- New high performing principal that brought six staff
- Two reading coaches
- *Reading First*
- FCIM

Arthur Ashe Middle

- New principal last year, new assistant this year
- Realignment and changes in staff
- Reading and mathematics coach
- FCIM

Miami-Dade (3)

Miami Edison High School

Miami Central High School

Restructure

- 9th-Grade students (except for self-contained ESE and Central students enrolled in magnet program) remain at two feeder middle schools enrolled in “school within a school” “9th-grade Academies”
 - Highly qualified personnel, additional assistant principal and counselors
- Professional Development
 - Research-based instructional strategies, CIM, mentoring, early career teachers and administrators, NBCT Lead Teachers, local Universities, classes and support services for community
- School-based Accountability Board
- Significant Facilities Upgrades

Industry Focus Academies

Miami Edison

- Hotel and Restaurant management
- Health Sciences and Biomedical Engineering
- Law Studies and Criminal Justice
- Business and Finance

Miami Central

- Computer Technology
- Engineering
- Real Estate and Construction
- Advanced Certificate of Education
- CISCO (computer magnet, previously in place)

Miami-Dade Holmes Elementary

Designated as a school replacement project in the District's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan, the school will be temporarily closed for two years. The 487 students will be reassigned to Lillie C. Evans utilizing a "school within a school" concept. These students will be tested together for accountability purposes.

Miami-Dade Holmes Elementary

- Extended day and year
- *Reading First*
- Youth tutoring
- Highly qualified instructional staff
- Additional counselor
- School-based Accountability Board
- Classes and support services for community members

Duval

School of Success Academic Charter

Reconstitute

- Terminate the existing charter contract.
- Open a new school under a new charter contract (this can be at the same site location). This new contract takes precedence over policies and procedures that are not included in the contract. This new school must differ from the past charter in that it must include:
 - A reconstituted Board, over 50% of members are new to the board;
 - A reconstituted staff, school instructional administrators are new to school, staff that did not produce student achievement gains are replaced;
 - A district approved action plan that includes research-based improvement strategies targeting the school's specific deficiencies; and
 - A statement in this new contract of guaranteed future school grade performance above F or, if too small to receive a grade, improved student performance based on analysis of student data.
- Compliance with all *Assistance Plus* Areas
- School is no longer identified by the State as an F school

Gadsden Stewart Street Elementary

Restructure

- New administrator, mathematics mentor, and writing and reading mentor
- Florida Teacher Advancement Program – 3 designated mentors, 6 lead teachers
- Implementation of FCIM
- Three resource teachers from the district

Jefferson

Jefferson County Elementary

Restructure

- New High Performing Principal from Brevard County
- New staff
- Reading, mathematics, and writing coaches
- Focus on science with a lab and new equipment
- Family Involvement, wellness, Partners in Print
- Integrating technology and mathematics
- Planned Improvements to Facilities

Madison

Madison County Excel School

Restructure

- Implementation of FCIM, last year improved 54 points
- Enforcement of uniforms
- State Attorney's Office will assist them with attendance
- Reading coach, full time mathematics coach
- Research-based programs and materials (SRA)
- SAI funding to support intervention programs

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Orange (3)

Oak Ridge High and Jones High

Restructure

- Administrative Changes, assistant principals
- Career focused academies; Medical Arts, Technology and Finance
- Level 1 Reading and Mathematics, enrolled in intensive reading and mathematics classes in addition to core class
- Continued implementation of FCIM
- Collaboration with postsecondary for professional development
- Behavior/attendance management program
- Reading through content areas
- Five senior district level administrators assigned to assist
- Contracted consultant support

Orange Ivey Lane Elementary

Restructure

- Administrative changes
- Level 1 readers enrolled in intensive reading instruction in addition to 90-minute reading program
- Implementation of FCIM
- Collaboration with postsecondary for professional development
- Five senior district level administrators assigned to assist
- Contracted consultant support

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Palm Beach (2)

Delray Boynton Academy

Riviera Beach Charter

Close

These charter schools have been closed and the students have been provided choice options in addition to the opportunity to enroll in their district zoned home school. The district has assured these students will be provided the resources and services required by the *Assistance Plus* plan.

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POLK

Bartow Charter School

Close

This charter school has been closed and the students have been enrolled in Bartow High School their district zoned home school. The district has assured these students will be provided the resources and services required by the *Assistance Plus* plan.

In Conclusion, Actions Taken 2005-2006 Repeating F Schools

15 Repeating Fs*

- 10 Restructured
 - 1 Temporarily Closed
 - 1 Charter Reconstituted
 - 4 Charters Closed
 - *1 Former Reconstituted Charter Closed
- Broward - Restructuring
 - Miami-Dade – Restructuring high schools, temporarily closing elementary
 - Duval – Reconstituting
 - Gadsden – Restructuring
 - Madison - Restructuring
 - Orange – Restructuring
 - Palm Beach – Closing
 - Polk – Closing