How are Florida's Students Doing?



This big-picture look at Florida's results for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) shows that our Grade 4 2013 scores are higher than or the same as the nation, and the achievement trends show improvements of all of Florida's major reporting groups.

NAEP results are reported at the state level in reading and mathematics every two years, in the odd-numbered years, at grades 4 and 8. Beginning in 2009, Florida received state level results in reading and mathematics at grade 12 every four years. NAEP does not provide results for participating students, schools, or districts*.

READING for 2013—Grade 4

- Scored higher than the nation and higher than or equal to 46 other states. Only Maryland, Massachusetts, and New Jersey had significantly higher average scale scores.
- Had average scale scores and percent performing at or above Basic significantly higher than
 national counterparts in all major reporting groups: White, African-American, Hispanic,
 Asian/Pacific Islander, Male, Female, Eligible for National School Lunch Program (NSLP), Not
 eligible for NSLP, students with disabilities (SD), and English language learners (ELL).
- White/Hispanic achievement gap continues to be narrower than the nation's.

READING for 2013—Grade 8

- Scored the same as their national counterparts and higher than or equal to 30 other states.
- Average scale score improved from 2011 to 2013 1 of only 10 states to do so.
- White/Hispanic achievement gap continues to be narrower than the nation's.
- White/African-American achievement gap narrowed between 2011 and 2013 and improved from being no different from the nation's to narrower than the nation's.

MATHEMATICS for 2013—Grade 4

- Scored the same as the nation and higher than or equal to 31 other states.
- Hispanic students, students eligible for NSLP, and SDs continued to score higher than their national counterparts.
- African-American students improved from scoring at the national average in 2011 to above the national average in 2013.

> MATHEMATICS for 2013—Grade 8

- Scored lower than their national counterparts but higher than or equal to 21 other states.
- One of only three states to improve average scale score between 2011 and 2013. Other two states were Pennsylvania and New Hampshire.
- Average scale scores and percent performing at or above *Proficient* for Hispanic students were significantly higher than the nation.
- Average scale scores and percent performing at or above Basic for African-American students improved from scoring below national average in 2011 to not significantly different from the national average in 2013.

*Results are available for 20 urban districts and the District of Columbia Source: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center of Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), NAEP Data Explorer.