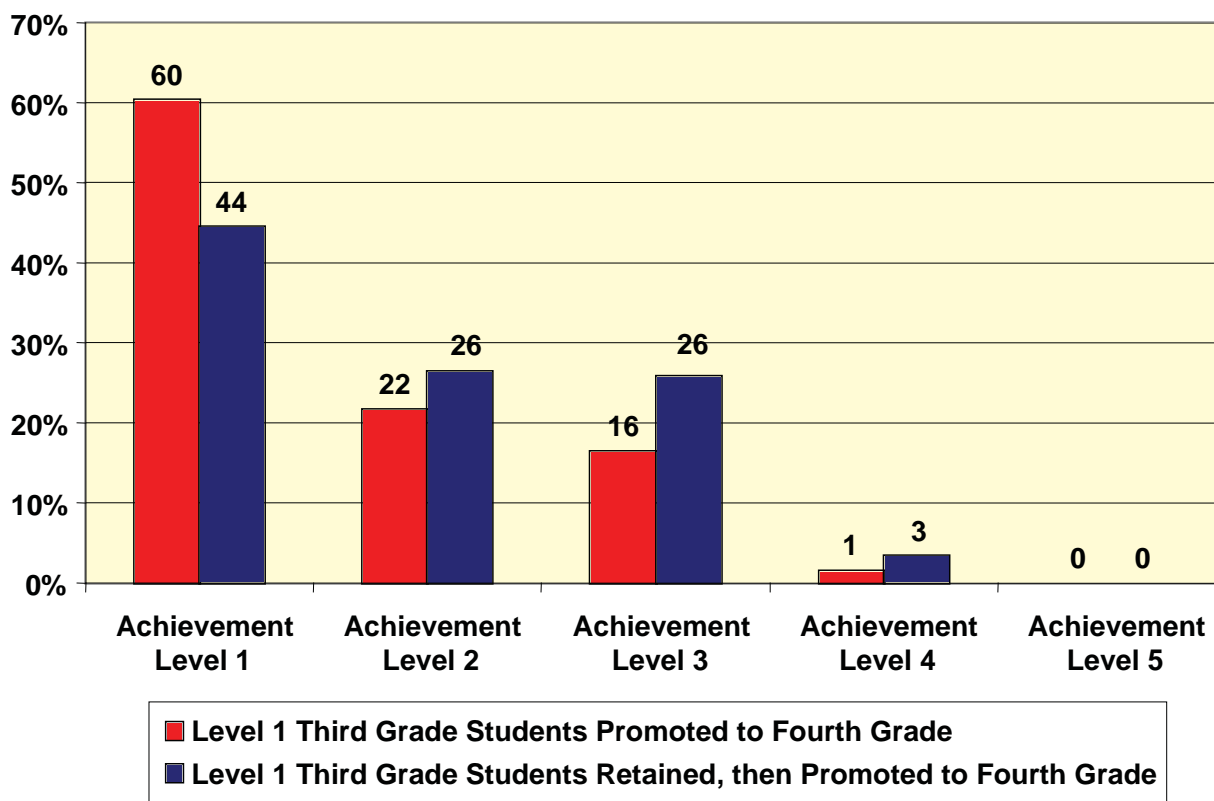


## Retained Level 1 Third Grade Students Outperform Promoted Level 1 Students on FCAT Reading Grade 4



In 2006, 44 percent of fourth grade students that repeated third grade in 2004-05 scored in FCAT reading achievement level 1 on the grade 4 FCAT compared to 60 percent of fourth grade students that were promoted to grade 4 in 2004-05 despite scoring at achievement level 1 on grade 3 FCAT reading the prior year. Twenty-six percent of third grade repeaters scored at reading achievement level 2 compared to 22 percent of non-repeaters. Twenty-six percent of repeaters scored at reading achievement level 3 compared to 16 percent of non-repeaters. Three percent of repeaters scored at reading achievement level 4 compared to 1 percent of non-repeaters.

Source: Florida Department of Education, May 2006