



FLORIDA SCHOOL GRADES

2018-19 SCHOOL GRADES
AND
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT RATINGS

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GRADING FLORIDA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2018-19

School grades provide an easily understandable metric to measure the performance of a school. Parents and the general public can use the school grade and its associated components to understand how well each school is serving its students. The school grades calculation was revised substantially for the 2014-15 school year to implement statutory changes made by the 2014 Legislature and incorporate the new Florida Standards Assessments (FSA). The 2018-19 school grades model uses the school grades model adopted for 2014-15.

The school grading system focuses the school grading formula on student success measures:

- Achievement
- Learning gains
- Graduation
- Acceleration success
- Maintaining a focus on students who need the most support

The 2018-19 School Grades Model

English Language Arts (FSA, FSAA)	Mathematics (FSA, FSAA, EOCs)	Science (NGSSS, FSAA, EOCs)	Social Studies (EOCs)	Graduation Rate	Acceleration Success
Achievement (0% to 100%)	Achievement (0% to 100%)	Achievement (0% to 100%)	Achievement (0% to 100%)	4-year Graduation Rate (0% to 100%)	High School (AP, IB, AICE, Dual Enrollment or Industry Certification) (0% to 100%)
Learning Gains (0% to 100%)	Learning Gains (0% to 100%)				Middle School (EOCs or Industry Certifications) (0% to 100%)
Learning Gains of the Lowest 25% (0% to 100%)	Learning Gains of the Lowest 25% (0% to 100%)				

Components

In 2018-19, a school’s grade may include up to 11 components. There are four achievement components, as well as components for learning gains, learning gains of the lowest 25% of students, middle school acceleration, graduation rate and college and career acceleration. Each component is worth up to 100 points in the overall calculation.

Four Achievement Components – The four achievement components are English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. These components include student performance on statewide standardized assessments, including the comprehensive assessments and end-of-course (EOC) assessments. The components measure the percentage of full-year enrolled students who achieved a passing score.

Four Learning Gains Components – These components are learning gains in English Language Arts and Mathematics, as well as learning gains for the lowest performing 25% of students in English Language Arts and Mathematics. These components include student performance on statewide standardized assessments, including the comprehensive

assessments and EOC assessments for the current year and the prior year. The components measure the percentage of full-year-enrolled students who achieved a learning gain from the prior year to the current year.

Middle School Acceleration – This component is based on the percentage of eligible middle school students who passed a high school level EOC assessment or industry certification.

Graduation Rate – The graduation rate is based on a four-year adjusted cohort of ninth grade students, and the rate measures whether the students graduate within four years.

College and Career Acceleration – This component is based on the percentage of graduates from the graduation rate cohort who earned a score on an acceleration examination (AP, IB, or AICE), a grade in a dual enrollment course that qualified for college credit or earned an industry certification.

School Grades Calculation

The points earned for each component are added together and divided by the total number of possible points to determine the percentage of points earned.

School Grading Percentages

- A = 62% of points or greater
- B = 54% to 61% of points
- C = 41% to 53% of points
- D = 32% to 40% of points
- F = 31% of points or less

Percent Tested

Schools must test 95 percent of their students.

Resources

The Florida statute that provides the framework for the school grades calculation is at the following link: [Section 1008.34, F.S.](#)

The rule adopted by the State Board of Education at its January 17, 2018, meeting describes more specifically the school grades calculation and can be found at the following link: [Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C.](#)

Additional information describing the calculation and historical information are available at <http://fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/>.

School Improvement Ratings for Alternative Schools and Exceptional Student Education Center Schools

School improvement ratings are calculated for alternative schools and exceptional student education (ESE) center schools that choose to receive a school improvement rating in lieu of a school grade, as defined in Rule 6A-1.099822, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Rule 6A-1.099828, F.A.C., and under the authority of Sections 1008.341 and 1008.3415, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Components

Schools that elect a school improvement rating in lieu of a school grade will have the rating based on student learning gains for English language arts and/or mathematics, including retake assessments and concordant scores; schools will be rated on only those components for which they have sufficient data. Sufficient data exists when at least ten students are eligible for inclusion in the calculation for the component; eligibility criteria are described within the guide to calculations, which can be found at <http://fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/>.

English Language Arts Learning Gains – This component includes student performance on statewide standardized English language arts assessments, including retake assessments and concordant scores, and measures student learning gains from one year to the next year.

Mathematics Learning Gains – This component includes student performance on statewide standardized mathematics assessments, including the comprehensive assessments, EOC assessments, retake assessments, and concordant scores. This component measures student learning gains from one year to the next year.

School Improvement Ratings Calculation

The points earned for each component for which there are sufficient data are added together and divided by the total number of possible points to determine the percentage of points earned.

School Improvement Ratings Percentages

- Commendable = 50% of points or greater
- Maintaining = 26% to 49% of points
- Unsatisfactory = 25% of points or less

Percent Tested

Schools must test at least 80 percent of their students in order to receive a rating. To be eligible for a rating of Commendable, a school must test 90 percent or more of their students.

Resources

The Florida statutes that provide the framework for the school improvement rating calculations are at the following links: [Section 1008.341, F.S.](#) and [Section 1008.3415, F.S.](#) The State Board of Education rule that more specifically defines the school improvement rating calculation can be found at the following link: [Rule 6A-1.099822, F.A.C.](#)

School Improvement Rating Distribution: All Schools⁴

Rating	2018		2019		Change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percentage Point
Commendable	66	24%	60	22%	-6	-2%
Maintaining	170	62%	173	63%	3	1%
Unsatisfactory	37	14%	43	16%	6	2%
Total	273		276			

⁴ Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.

2019 School Grades by District

District Name	School Grades within the District (Counts)				
	A	B	C	D	F
MANATEE	21	19	18	2	0
MARION	4	15	30	2	0
MARTIN	11	7	3	0	0
MONROE	10	6	0	0	0
NASSAU	11	2	0	0	0
OKALOOSA	25	10	1	0	0
OKEECHOBEE	0	2	6	0	0
ORANGE	75	52	75	12	0
OSCEOLA	12	24	29	3	0
PALM BEACH	89	45	59	4	0
PASCO	30	21	34	3	0
PINELLAS	41	35	46	6	1
POLK	26	29	49	21	0
PUTNAM	2	1	15	2	1
ST. JOHNS	31	7	1	1	0
ST. LUCIE	7	21	11	2	0
SANTA ROSA	16	9	2	0	0
SARASOTA	34	10	4	1	0
SEMINOLE	29	22	11	0	0
SUMTER	3	2	3	0	0
SUWANNEE	2	1	4	0	0
TAYLOR	1	2	1	0	0
UNION	1	2	0	0	1
VOLUSIA	11	26	32	4	0
WAKULLA	4	2	1	1	0
WALTON	10	3	1	0	0
WASHINGTON	0	4	2	0	0
FLVS	1	1	1	0	0
FAU LAB SCH	2	0	0	0	0
FSU LAB SCH	2	0	0	0	0
FAMU LAB SCH	0	0	1	0	0
UF LAB SCH	1	0	0	0	0

2019 School Grades by District

District Name	School Grades within the District (Percentages) ⁵				
	A	B	C	D	F
MANATEE	35%	32%	30%	3%	0%
MARION	8%	29%	59%	4%	0%
MARTIN	52%	33%	14%	0%	0%
MONROE	63%	38%	0%	0%	0%
NASSAU	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%
OKALOOSA	69%	28%	3%	0%	0%
OKEECHOBEE	0%	25%	75%	0%	0%
ORANGE	35%	24%	35%	6%	0%
OSCEOLA	18%	35%	43%	4%	0%
PALM BEACH	45%	23%	30%	2%	0%
PASCO	34%	24%	38%	3%	0%
PINELLAS	32%	27%	36%	5%	1%
POLK	21%	23%	39%	17%	0%
PUTNAM	10%	5%	71%	10%	5%
ST. JOHNS	78%	18%	3%	3%	0%
ST. LUCIE	17%	51%	27%	5%	0%
SANTA ROSA	59%	33%	7%	0%	0%
SARASOTA	69%	20%	8%	2%	0%
SEMINOLE	47%	35%	18%	0%	0%
SUMTER	38%	25%	38%	0%	0%
SUWANNEE	29%	14%	57%	0%	0%
TAYLOR	25%	50%	25%	0%	0%
UNION	25%	50%	0%	0%	25%
VOLUSIA	15%	36%	44%	5%	0%
WAKULLA	50%	25%	13%	13%	0%
WALTON	71%	21%	7%	0%	0%
WASHINGTON	0%	67%	33%	0%	0%
FLVS	33%	33%	33%	0%	0%
FAU LAB SCH	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
FSU LAB SCH	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
FAMU LAB SCH	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%
UF LAB SCH	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%

