



# FLORIDA SCHOOL GRADES

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**2021-22 SCHOOL GRADES  
AND  
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT RATINGS**

2022

# Grading Florida Public Schools

## 2021-22

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 Florida Standards Assessments (FSA). The 2021-22 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 2021-22 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, Clock Hour Dual Enrollment, Dual Enrollment or Industry Certification) (0% to 100%)
Learning Gains (0% to 100%)	Learning Gains (0% to 100%)				
Learning Gains of the Lowest 25% (0% to 100%)	Learning Gains of the Lowest 25% (0% to 100%)				Middle School (EOCs or Industry Certifications) (0% to 100%)

### Components

In 2021-22, 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, earned 300 clock hours through career dual enrollment courses in the same approved program, 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.

## School Accountability measures for 2019-20 and 2020-21

On March 23, 2020, Florida Department of Education (FDOE) Emergency Order No. 2020-EO-1 was issued, cancelling all spring K-12 statewide assessment test administrations for the 2019-20 school year; accountability measures reliant on such data were not calculated for the 2019-20 school year.

Pursuant to FDOE Emergency Order No. 2021-EO-02, only schools for which an opt in request was submitted by the school district superintendent or charter school governing board have a letter grade assigned for the 2020-21 school year. More information can be found at <https://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/2021-EO-02.pdf>.

Due to the above emergency orders, the comparisons in this document are to the last normal calculations of school accountability measures which was the 2018-19 school year.

## 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 July 14, 2021, 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 Grade Distribution

## 2019 and 2022 School Grades<sup>1</sup>

### All Schools<sup>2</sup>

Grade	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2022 Number	2022 Percent	Number Change	Percentage Point Change
A	1,181	35%	1,041	33%	-140	-2%
B	909	27%	807	25%	-102	-2%
C	1,065	32%	1,141	36%	76	4%
D	159	5%	170	5%	11	0%
F	14	0%	30	1%	16	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,328</b>		<b>3,189</b>			

### Elementary Schools

Grade	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2022 Number	2022 Percent	Number Change	Percentage Point Change
A	592	33%	557	32%	-35	-1%
B	492	27%	443	25%	-49	-2%
C	609	34%	615	35%	6	1%
D	114	6%	122	7%	8	1%
F	9	0%	23	1%	14	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,816</b>		<b>1,760</b>			

### Middle Schools

Grade	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2022 Number	2022 Percent	Number Change	Percentage Point Change
A	196	34%	136	26%	-60	-8%
B	147	26%	120	23%	-27	-3%
C	203	35%	235	45%	32	10%
D	26	5%	30	6%	4	1%
F	0	0%	1	0%	1	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>572</b>		<b>522</b>			

### High Schools

Grade	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2022 Number	2022 Percent	Number Change	Percentage Point Change
A	167	35%	148	35%	-19	0%
B	151	32%	118	28%	-33	-4%
C	148	31%	151	36%	3	5%
D	6	1%	5	1%	-1	0%
F	2	0%	1	0%	-1	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>474</b>		<b>423</b>			

<sup>1</sup> All 2021-22 data reflect pre-appeals school grades and school improvement ratings.

<sup>2</sup> Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Combination Schools<sup>3</sup>

Grade	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2022 Number	2022 Percent	Number Change	Percentage Point Change
A	226	48%	200	41%	-26	-7%
B	119	26%	126	26%	7	0%
C	105	23%	140	29%	35	6%
D	13	3%	13	3%	0	0%
F	3	1%	5	1%	2	0%
<b>Total</b>	466		484			

<sup>3</sup> Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.

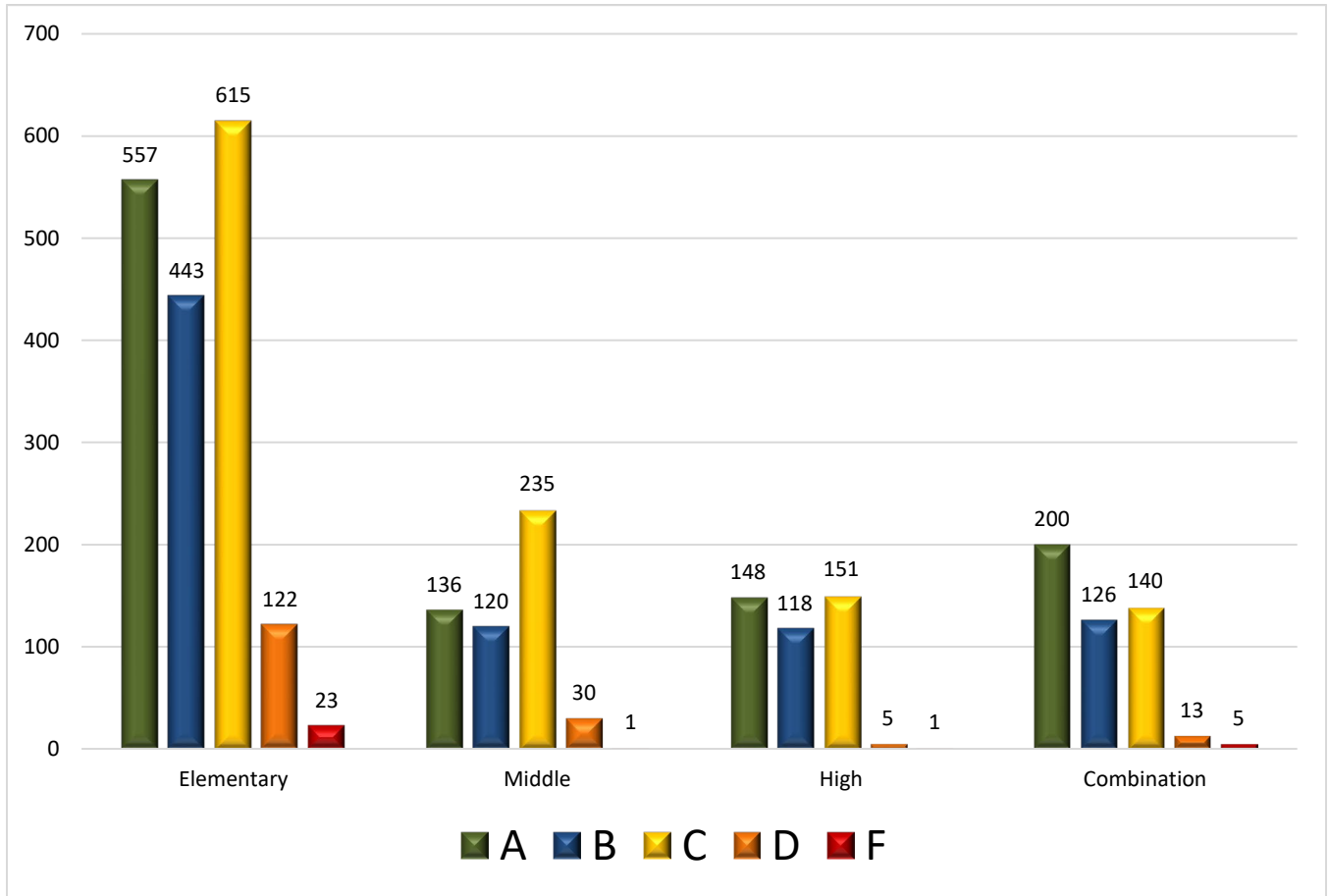
## Average Percent of Points Earned 2019 and 2022 School Grades

Percent of Points Earned by Letter Grade  
Average Percent of Points Earned

Grade	2019	2022	Change
A	70% of possible points earned	70% of possible points earned	0%
B	57% of possible points earned	57% of possible points earned	0%
C	48% of possible points earned	48% of possible points earned	0%
D	37% of possible points earned	37% of possible points earned	0%
F	22% of possible points earned	25% of possible points earned	3%
All Graded Schools	58% of possible points earned	57% of possible points earned	-1%

The table above compares the average percent of points earned by grade letter of schools that earned a grade in 2019 to schools that earned a grade in 2022. The average percent of possible points for all schools receiving a grade in 2022 decreased by one percent (57%) compared to the average percent of possible points for all schools that received a grade in 2019 (58%).

# School Grades by School Type 2022



Source: Florida Department of Education

## 2019 Grades Compared to 2022 Grades All Schools

		2022 School Grade	2022 School Grade	2022 School Grade	2022 School Grade	2022 School Grade	2022 School Grade
		A	B	C	D	F	Total
2019 School Grade	A	825	234	59	4	2	1,124
2019 School Grade	B	140	348	343	18	3	852
2019 School Grade	C	29	183	612	117	18	959
2019 School Grade	D	8	15	87	21	2	133
2019 School Grade	F	0	1	6	0	0	7
2019 School Grade	Total	1,002	781	1,107	160	25	3,075

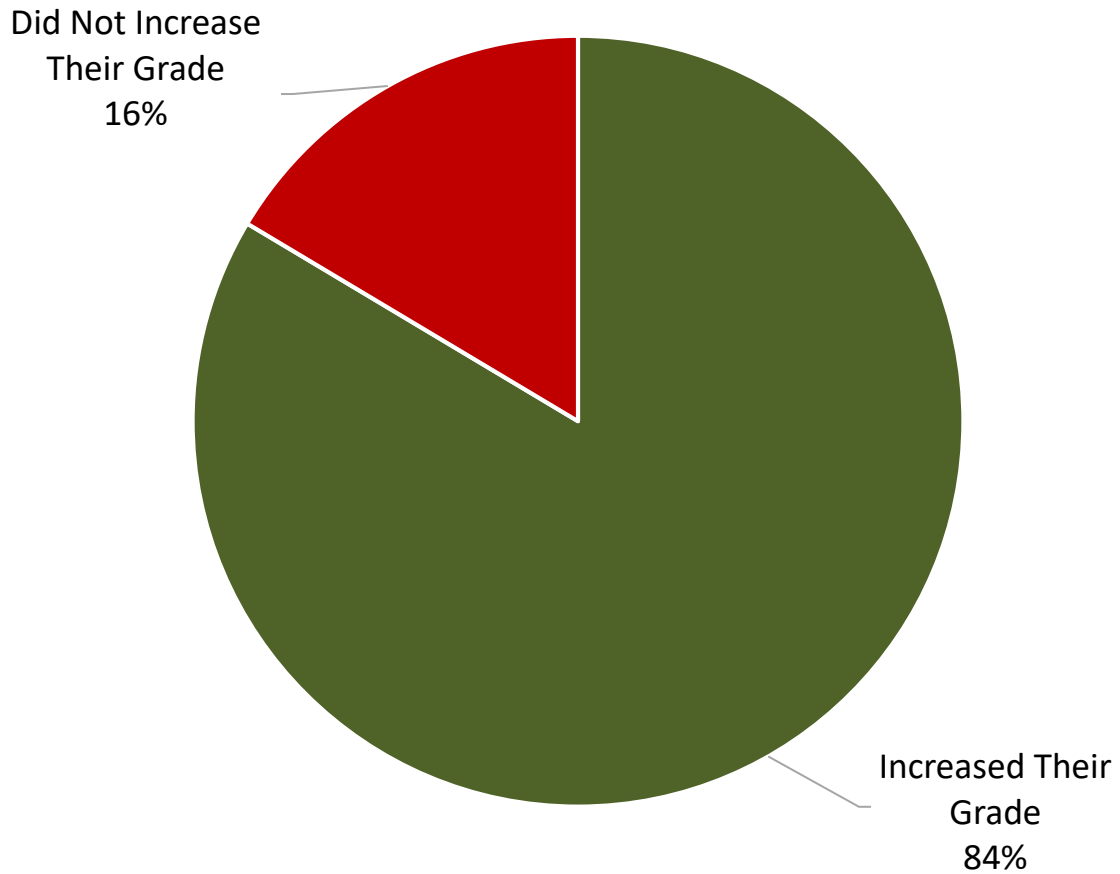
Source: Florida Department of Education

The chart above compares the grades schools earned in 2019 with the grades they earned in 2022. Schools in the cells shaded green increased their school grade in 2022. Schools in the cells shaded red had a reduction in their school grade. Schools in the cells shaded yellow had no change in their school grade.

- 469 schools (15%) increased their grade in 2022
- 800 schools (26%) decreased their grade in 2022
- 1806 schools (59%) had no change in their grade in 2022



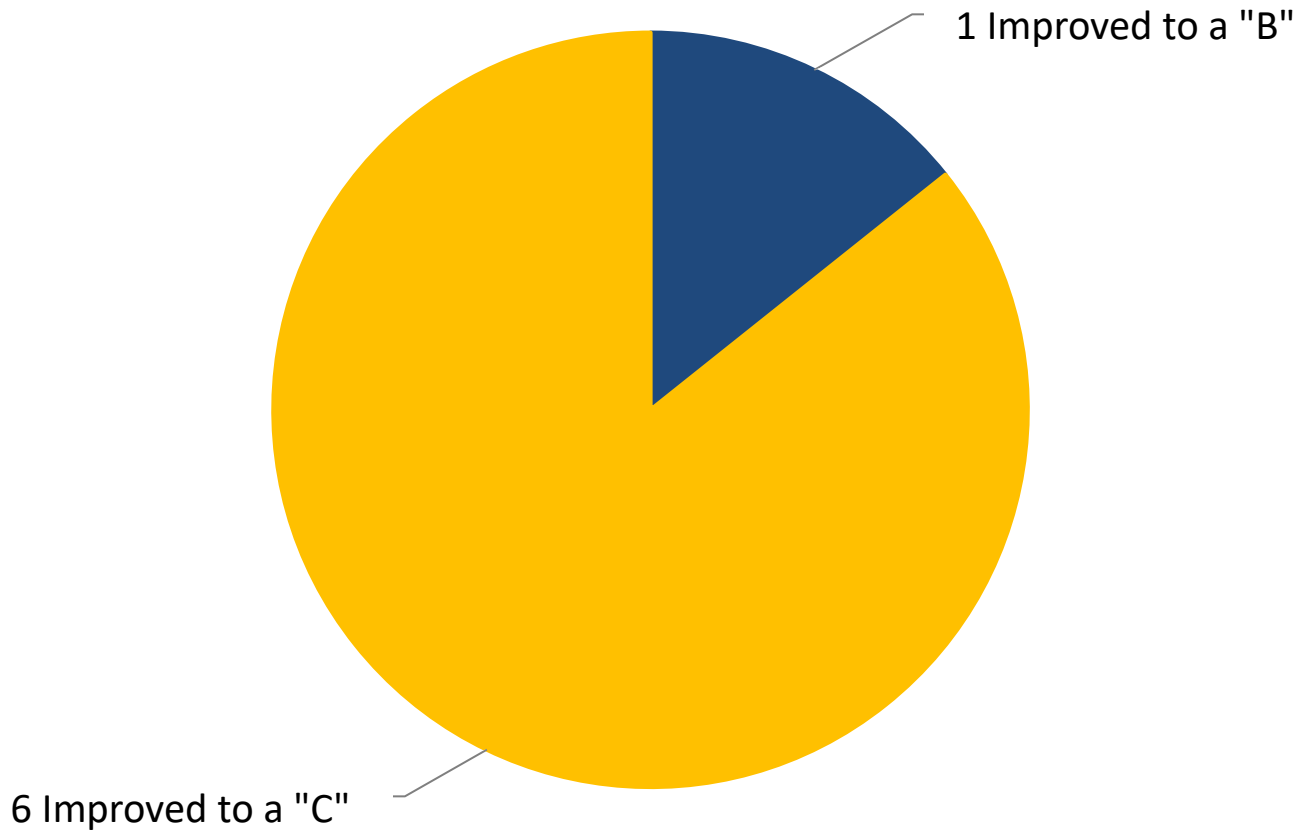
## 84% of Schools Graded “D” or “F” in 2019 Improved Their Grade in 2022



Source: Florida Department of Education

There were 140 “D” or “F” schools in 2019 that received a school grade in 2022. Of these “D” or “F” schools in 2019, 117 improved their grade.

## 100% of Schools Graded "F" in 2019 Improved Their Grade in 2022

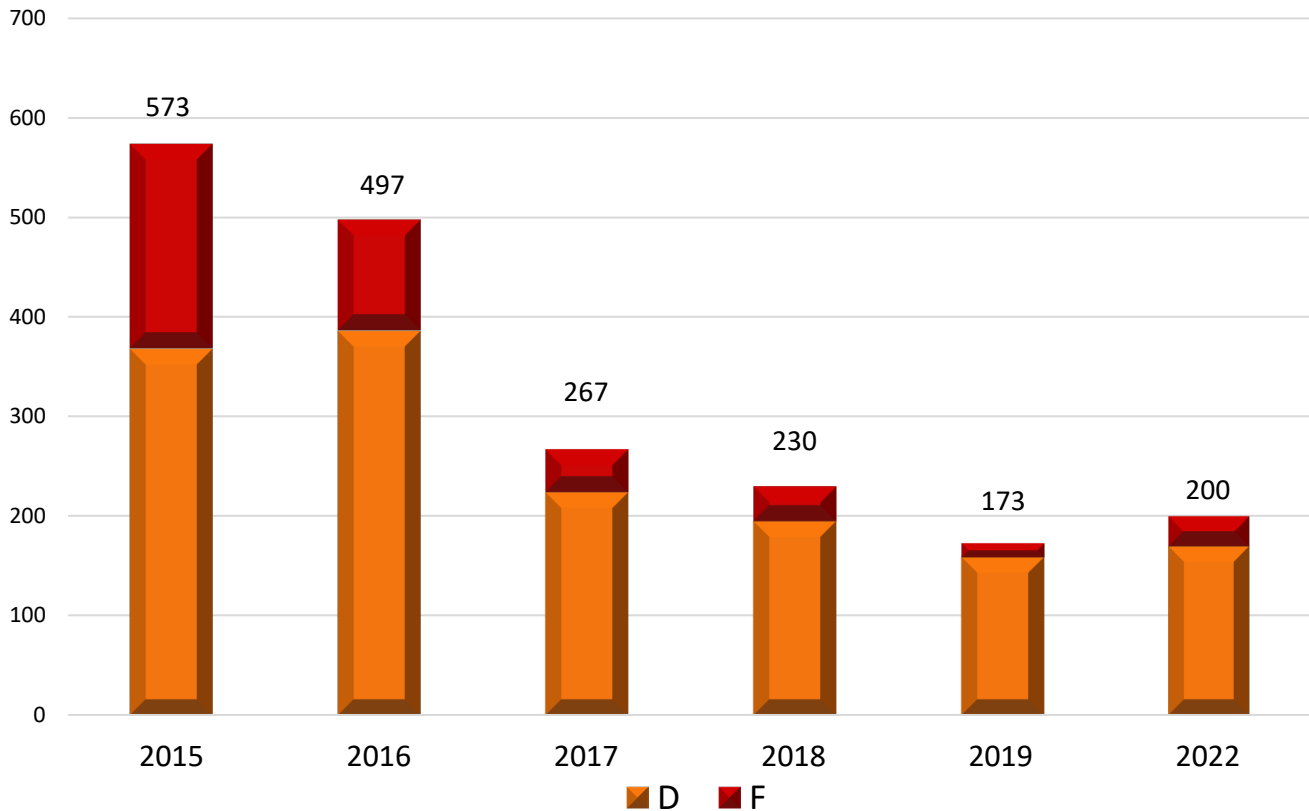


Source: Florida Department of Education

There were 7 "F" schools in 2019 that received a school grade in 2022. Of these "F" schools in 2019, 1 improved to an "B" and 6 improved to a "C."

## Florida's Focus on Low-Performing Schools is Paying Off

The number of "D" or "F" schools has declined 65% since 2015 and the number of "F" schools has declined 85% since 2015.



Source: Florida Department of Education

In 2022, there were a total of 200 "D" or "F" schools, up from 173 in 2019, but still below 230 in 2018, 267 in 2017, 497 in 2016, and 573 in 2015. In 2022, there were a total of 30 "F" schools, up from 14 in 2019 but down from 35 in 2018, 43 in 2017, 111 in 2016, and 205 in 2015.

# 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 Schools<sup>4</sup>

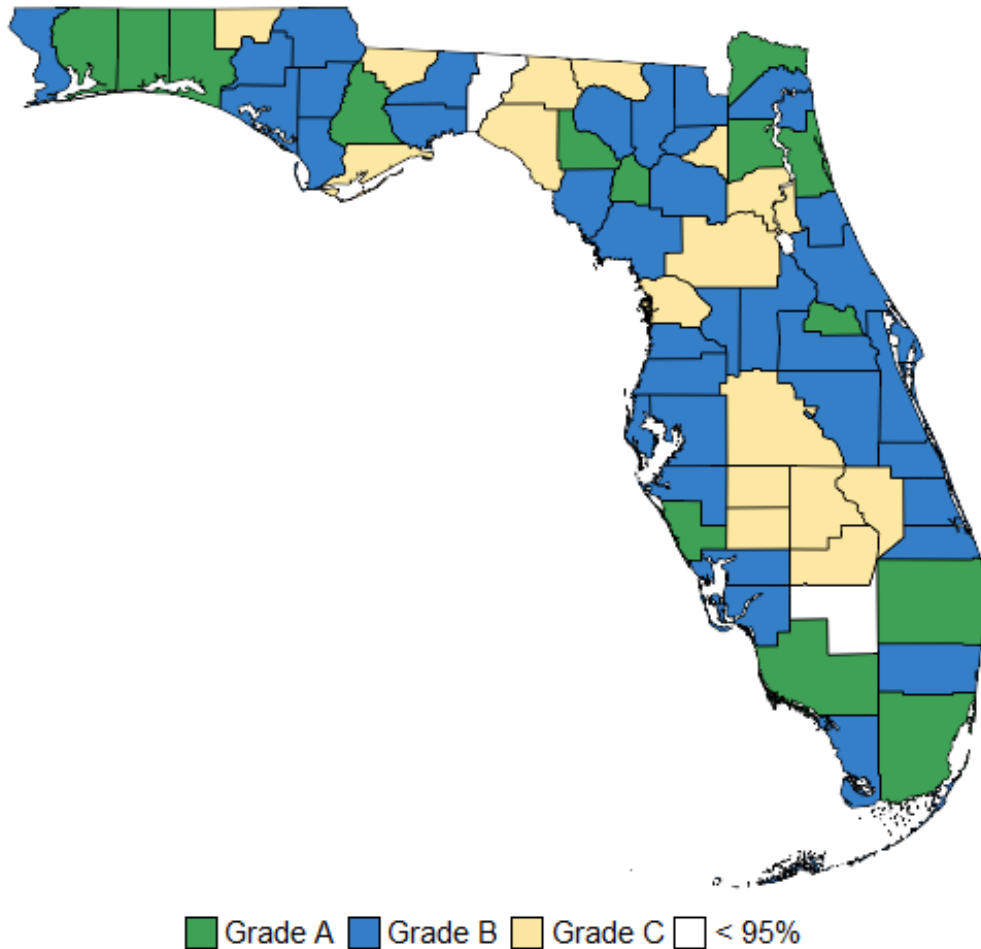
Rating	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2022 Number	2022 Percent	Number Change	Percentage Point Change
Commendable	60	22%	46	22%	-14	0%
Maintaining	173	63%	135	63%	-38	0%
Unsatisfactory	43	16%	32	15%	-11	-1%
<b>Total</b>	276		213			

<sup>4</sup> Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.

## District Grades for 2022

The commissioner assigns a letter grade of A, B, C, D, or F to each school district annually as provided in s. 1008.34(5), F.S., and Rule 6A-1.09981 School and District Accountability, F.A.C., based on the components and processes for school grades. The district's grade is calculated as if the district's students are enrolled in one large combination school. All students who are full-year enrolled in the district will be included in the district's grade. This means that students who were not full-year enrolled at an individual school but who were full-year enrolled within the district will be included in the district's grade.

Detailed information on district grades is available at <http://fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/> (see the link "District Grades").



Source: Florida Department of Education

## School Grades by District 2022 (Counts)

District Number	District Name	A	B	C	D	F
01	ALACHUA	12	10	11	6	1
02	BAKER	2	0	3	0	0
03	BAY	12	8	7	5	1
04	BRADFORD	0	1	1	2	0
05	BREVARD	32	24	32	3	0
06	BROWARD	104	70	86	9	3
07	CALHOUN	0	3	1	0	0
08	CHARLOTTE	3	11	6	0	0
09	CITRUS	2	4	12	1	0
10	CLAY	18	17	6	0	0
11	COLLIER	31	21	7	0	0
12	COLUMBIA	4	4	6	0	0
13	MIAMI-DADE	225	96	93	1	1
14	DESOTO	0	0	3	3	0
15	DIXIE	2	1	1	0	0
16	DUVAL	44	34	72	18	4
17	ESCAMBIA	9	14	18	8	2
18	FLAGLER	3	3	4	0	0
19	FRANKLIN	0	1	1	0	0
20	GADSDEN	1	2	1	3	1
21	GILCHRIST	3	1	0	0	0
22	GLADES	1	1	0	1	0
23	GULF	0	2	2	0	0
24	HAMILTON	0	0	2	0	0
25	HARDEE	1	1	5	0	0
26	HENDRY	2	1	6	0	0
27	HERNANDO	3	6	11	1	0
28	HIGHLANDS	0	2	11	3	0
29	HILLSBOROUGH	74	59	102	14	2
30	HOLMES	0	3	3	0	0
31	INDIAN RIVER	6	7	9	0	0
32	JACKSON	1	3	5	0	0
33	JEFFERSON	0	0	0	2	0
34	LAFAYETTE	1	1	0	0	0
35	LAKE	8	10	26	3	0
36	LEE	21	20	50	4	0
37	LEON	8	10	17	5	0
38	LEVY	1	1	6	1	0
39	LIBERTY	1	2	0	0	0
40	MADISON	2	2	0	2	1
41	MANATEE	19	13	27	2	1

District Number	District Name	A	B	C	D	F
42	MARION	3	10	32	2	1
43	MARTIN	7	4	9	2	0
44	MONROE	5	7	4	0	0
45	NASSAU	10	3	0	0	0
46	OKALOOSA	12	11	11	0	0
47	OKEECHOBEE	0	1	7	0	0
48	ORANGE	67	57	71	4	3
49	OSCEOLA	8	19	37	6	0
50	PALM BEACH	71	40	68	9	1
51	PASCO	22	21	29	9	4
52	PINELLAS	35	41	44	6	1
53	POLK	19	17	69	20	3
54	PUTNAM	2	3	8	2	0
55	ST. JOHNS	29	7	3	0	0
56	ST. LUCIE	7	12	18	3	0
57	SANTA ROSA	12	7	9	0	0
58	SARASOTA	23	16	11	1	0
59	SEMINOLE	22	24	12	1	0
60	SUMTER	3	2	3	0	0
61	SUWANNEE	1	2	5	0	0
62	TAYLOR	1	0	2	1	0
63	UNION	1	1	1	0	0
64	VOLUSIA	9	22	29	7	0
65	WAKULLA	3	2	3	0	0
66	WALTON	9	5	0	0	0
67	WASHINGTON	0	4	2	0	0
72	FAU LAB SCH	2	0	0	0	0
73	FSU LAB SCH	2	0	0	0	0
74	FAMU LAB SCH	0	0	1	0	0

# School Grades by District

## 2022

(Percentages)<sup>5</sup>

District Number	District Name	A	B	C	D	F
01	ALACHUA	30%	25%	28%	15%	3%
02	BAKER	40%	0%	60%	0%	0%
03	BAY	36%	24%	21%	15%	3%
04	BRADFORD	0%	25%	25%	50%	0%
05	BREVARD	35%	26%	35%	3%	0%
06	BROWARD	38%	26%	32%	3%	1%
07	CALHOUN	0%	75%	25%	0%	0%
08	CHARLOTTE	15%	55%	30%	0%	0%
09	CITRUS	11%	21%	63%	5%	0%
10	CLAY	44%	41%	15%	0%	0%
11	COLLIER	53%	36%	12%	0%	0%
12	COLUMBIA	29%	29%	43%	0%	0%
13	MIAMI-DADE	54%	23%	22%	0%	0%
14	DESOTO	0%	0%	50%	50%	0%
15	DIXIE	50%	25%	25%	0%	0%
16	DUVAL	26%	20%	42%	10%	2%
17	ESCAMBIA	18%	27%	35%	16%	4%
18	FLAGLER	30%	30%	40%	0%	0%
19	FRANKLIN	0%	50%	50%	0%	0%
20	GADSDEN	13%	25%	13%	38%	13%
21	GILCHRIST	75%	25%	0%	0%	0%
22	GLADES	33%	33%	0%	33%	0%
23	GULF	0%	50%	50%	0%	0%
24	HAMILTON	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%
25	HARDEE	14%	14%	71%	0%	0%
26	HENDRY	22%	11%	67%	0%	0%
27	HERNANDO	14%	29%	52%	5%	0%
28	HIGHLANDS	0%	13%	69%	19%	0%
29	HILLSBOROUGH	29%	24%	41%	6%	1%
30	HOLMES	0%	50%	50%	0%	0%
31	INDIAN RIVER	27%	32%	41%	0%	0%
32	JACKSON	11%	33%	56%	0%	0%
33	JEFFERSON	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
34	LAFAYETTE	50%	50%	0%	0%	0%
35	LAKE	17%	21%	55%	6%	0%
36	LEE	22%	21%	53%	4%	0%
37	LEON	20%	25%	43%	13%	0%
38	LEVY	11%	11%	67%	11%	0%
39	LIBERTY	33%	67%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>5</sup> Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.



District Number	District Name	A	B	C	D	F
40	MADISON	29%	29%	0%	29%	14%
41	MANATEE	31%	21%	44%	3%	2%
42	MARION	6%	21%	67%	4%	2%
43	MARTIN	32%	18%	41%	9%	0%
44	MONROE	31%	44%	25%	0%	0%
45	NASSAU	77%	23%	0%	0%	0%
46	OKALOOSA	35%	32%	32%	0%	0%
47	OKEECHOBEE	0%	13%	88%	0%	0%
48	ORANGE	33%	28%	35%	2%	1%
49	OSCEOLA	11%	27%	53%	9%	0%
50	PALM BEACH	38%	21%	36%	5%	1%
51	PASCO	26%	25%	34%	11%	5%
52	PINELLAS	28%	32%	35%	5%	1%
53	POLK	15%	13%	54%	16%	2%
54	PUTNAM	13%	20%	53%	13%	0%
55	ST. JOHNS	74%	18%	8%	0%	0%
56	ST. LUCIE	18%	30%	45%	8%	0%
57	SANTA ROSA	43%	25%	32%	0%	0%
58	SARASOTA	45%	31%	22%	2%	0%
59	SEMINOLE	37%	41%	20%	2%	0%
60	SUMTER	38%	25%	38%	0%	0%
61	SUWANNEE	13%	25%	63%	0%	0%
62	TAYLOR	25%	0%	50%	25%	0%
63	UNION	33%	33%	33%	0%	0%
64	VOLUSIA	13%	33%	43%	10%	0%
65	WAKULLA	38%	25%	38%	0%	0%
66	WALTON	64%	36%	0%	0%	0%
67	WASHINGTON	0%	67%	33%	0%	0%
72	FAU LAB SCH	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
73	FSU LAB SCH	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
74	FAMU LAB SCH	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%