



## Lee County High Schools

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	2019 U.S. News and World Report of Best High schools				
	National Rank	State Rank	% Reading Proficiency	% Math Proficiency	College Ready Index
<b>County Average</b>	n/a	n/a	48	39	18
BONITA SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL					
CAPE CORAL HIGH SCHOOL	2,852	150	63	51	42
CYPRESS LAKE HIGH SCHOOL	9,434	378	47	31	28
DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL					
EAST LEE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL			22	29	
ESTERO HIGH SCHOOL	11,302	432	57	48	
FLORIDA SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL					
FORT MYERS HIGH SCHOOL	1,218	67	67	54	56
GATEWAY CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL			39	21	
IDA S. BAKER HIGH SCHOOL	7,995	330	51	56	18
ISLAND COAST HIGH SCHOOL			30	24	
LEHIGH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	9,177	370	48	39	19
MARINER HIGH SCHOOL	7,045	303	50	34	35
NORTH FORT MYERS HIGH SCHOOL	3,451	174	69	54	26
OASIS CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL	7,861	326	73	36	16
RIVERDALE HIGH SCHOOL	7,357	311	49	42	26
SOUTH FORT MYERS HIGH SCHOOL			33	23	

### Top High Schools as of 2019

Florida					
Pine View School, Osprey (STEM/MAG)	15	1	100	100	100
School For Advanced Studies Homestead, Homestead	26	2	N/A	100	100
Suncoast Community High School, Riviera Beach	88	11	90	85	91
Coral Reef Senior High School, Miami (MAG)	193	19	88	81	76
Best State (Massachusetts)					
Boston Latin School, Boston	33	1	100	100	95
Medfield Senior High, Medfield	610	20	98	96	69

FL Dept. of Education School Grades, School Year ending:			
2019	2018	2017	2016
B	B	B	B
C	B	n/a	n/a
B	B	B	B
B	B	C	C
C	C	C	D
C	D	D	D
B	A	C	C
A	A	A	A
A	A	B	A
C	C	C	C
B	B	B	C
C	C	C	C
C	C	C	C
C	B	C	C
A	A	B	B
A	A	B	B
C	B	C	C
C	C	C	C
A	A	A	A
A	A	A	A
A	A	A	A
A	A	A	A

NOTE: blank cells indicate data not available or (in the case of rankings) indicate that the school was not qualified to be ranked by U.S. News and World Report. For example, schools below the 25th percentile have their scores concealed by US News & World Report who simply report the entire bottom quartile's ranking range. We elected not to show that range here because it's not specific enough to be meaningful in our data. Schools without a grade 12 or with very small enrollment are simply displayed as Unranked by US News & World Report and not shown here.



## Explanations of County High School Data Components

<b>U.S. News and World Report Data</b>	
Overall data source	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-education">http://tinyurl.com/usn-education</a>
Ranking Algorithm & Criteria for a School to Be Ranked	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-algorithm">http://tinyurl.com/usn-algorithm</a>
Nationally-Ranked Schools	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-national-ranking">http://tinyurl.com/usn-national-ranking</a>
Florida Ranked Schools	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-florida-ranking">http://tinyurl.com/usn-florida-ranking</a>
Reading Proficiency	Assessment of students' ability to read at grade level.
Math Proficiency	Assessment of students' ability to perform math at grade level.
College Readiness Index	Index representing the proportion of a school's 12th graders that took and passed AP/IB exams. Maximim possible: 100
County Average	Average scores for the Florida schools listed
Top High Schools - Florida	Shows a sampling of highly-ranked Florida Schools
Top High Schools - Best State	Shows a sampling of highly-ranked schools from the #1 nationally-ranked state

<b>FL Dept. of Education School Grades</b>	
School and County Letter Grades as calculated by the Florida DOE	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/">http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/</a> (see "School Grades" Excel file for individual school grades) (see "District Grades" Excel file for county grades)

## Comparing Ranking Data (proficiencies & college-ready index) with Florida DOE school grades

The main purpose for sharing this data is to point out the obvious disconnect when you compare nationally-normed high school ranking data (reading proficiency, math proficiency and college-ready index) with the Florida DOE "report card" grades which are calculated using a FL DOE proprietary formula. This proprietry grading formula was created by and can be manipulated by the FL DOE. By grading on the low "curve", the school grades can be made to look much better than is actually the case. So don't take it at face value when your school claims to be an "A" school (for example). Look at the U.S. News and World Report data and see if it supports the claim. We need visibility into the TRUE academic performance of Florida schools. Moving away from the highly manipulated FL DOE proprietary grading system is a MUST if we're to effectively judge the efficiency of Florida Schools.