



Hillsborough County High Schools

(see page 2 for sources and explanations of data components)

	2021 U.S. News and World Report of Best High schools					
	National Rank	State Rank	% Reading Proficiency	% Math Proficiency	% Graduation Rate	College Ready Index
<b>County Average</b>	n/a	n/a	52	45	n/a	41
Alonso High School	3,139	177	54	51	97	42
Armwood High School	7,936	371	41	26	82	28
Bell Creek Academy High School	2,242	133	82	63	100	39
Blake High School	5,110	276	53	34	90	32
Bloomington High School	3,210	180	59	49	96	41
Brandon High School	9,232	405	42	29	92	24
Brooks DeBartolo Collegiate High School	790	45	84	67	100	60
Chamberlain High School	10,421	447	26	38	86	27
Durant High School	4,884	260	54	49	94	35
East Bay High School	8,020	374	41	35	93	29
Freedom High School	6,866	334	43	32	94	35
Gaither High School	3,969	214	54	53	96	37
Hillsborough High School	3,543	195	46	40	92	46
Hillsborough Virtual School	2,548	153	69	55	98	38
Jefferson High School	4,930	265	44	36	93	34
King High School	3,411	187	45	27	86	46
Lennard High School	8,018	373	41	43	88	20
Leto High School	5,113	278	45	45	93	39
Middleton High School	2,350	143	54	37	88	44
Newsome High School	903	48	77	73	99	62
Pivot Charter School	13,383-17,843	512-596	45	40	90	n/a
Plant City High School	4,971	267	45	55	98	33
Plant High School	632	39	79	73	97	69
Riverview High School	3,056	175	57	55	96	41
Robinson High School	1,351	78	67	45	89	60
Seminole Heights Charter High School	13,383-17,843	512-596	6	4	13	n/a
Sickles High School	1,367	83	71	63	96	52

FL Dept. of Education School Grades, School			
2021	2019	2018	2017
B	B	B	B
A	B	B	B
C	C	C	C
A	A	A	A
C	C	C	C
A	B	B	B
	C	C	C
A	A	A	A
C	C	C	D
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A	B	A	B
A	A	A	A

South County Career Center	13,383-17,843	512-596	0	0	53	n/a
Spoto High School	11,179	467	28	29	85	24
Steinbrenner High School	742	41	78	75	98	63
Strawberry Crest High School	2,306	139	58	61	98	44
Tampa Bay Tech High School	2,120	124	65	61	98	36
Wharton High School	4,379	242	52	41	93	38
<b>Top High Schools as of 2021</b>						
<b>Florida</b>						
School for Advanced Studies (SAS), Miami	4	1		100	100	99
Pine View School, Osprey	24	2	99	100	100	100
School For Advanced Studies Homestead, Homestead	39	3			99	100

**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.

**NOTE:** high schools that did not provide data for this report are not listed here

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A	A	A	A
<b>FL Dept. of Education County Graduation Rates (%)</b>			
<b>2021</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
89	86	86	83



**Explanations of County High School Data Components**

<b>U.S. News and World Report Data</b>	
<b>Ranking Algorithm &amp; Criteria for a School to Be Ranked</b>	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-algorithm">http://tinyurl.com/usn-algorithm</a>
<b>Nationally-Ranked Schools</b>	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-national-ranking">http://tinyurl.com/usn-national-ranking</a>
<b>Florida Ranked Schools</b>	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-florida-ranking">http://tinyurl.com/usn-florida-ranking</a>
<b>Reading Proficiency</b>	Assessment of students' ability to read at grade level.
<b>Math Proficiency</b>	Assessment of students' ability to perform math at grade level.
<b>College Readiness Index</b>	Index representing the proportion of a school's 12th graders that took and passed AP/IB exams. Maximim
<b>County Average</b>	Average scores for the Florida schools listed
<b>Graduation Rate</b>	The proportion of entering ninth graders who graduated four academic years later
<b>FL Dept. of Education County Graudation Rates (%)</b>	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/">Florida High School Graduation Rates, 2020-21 (fldoe.org)</a>
<b>Top High Schools - Florida</b>	Shows a sampling of highly-ranked Florida Schools
<b>FL Dept. of Education School Grades</b>	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/">http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/</a>
<b>School and County Letter Grades as calculated by the Florida DOE</b>	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/">http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/</a>
<b>School and County Letter Grades as calculated by the Florida DOE</b>	(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.