



Pasco County High Schools

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	2021 U.S. News and World Report of Best High schools					
	National Rank	State Rank	% Reading Proficiency	% Math Proficiency	% Graduation Rates	College Ready Index
<b>County Average</b>	n/a	n/a	53	49	n/a	33
ANCLOTE HIGH SCHOOL	10,232	445	45	44	85	14
Cypress Creek High School	4,887	261	55	58	100	23
Dayspring Academy	4,459	248	90	94	100	n/a
FIVAY HIGH SCHOOL	12,184	487	29	28	89	20
GULF HIGH SCHOOL (MAG)	8,203	379	40	39	84	26
HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL	9,638	420	45	43	76	18
JAMES W. MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL	2,194	129	68	71	97	44
LAND O' LAKES HIGH SCHOOL (MAG)	1,380	85	69	64	95	53
Pasco Eschool-Virtual Franchise	7,131	345	75	60	98	n/a
PASCO HIGH SCHOOL	13,100	504	49	44	88	4
RIVER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL	4,315	237	57	58	92	35
SUNLAKE HIGH SCHOOL	2,235	132	68	66	94	46
WENDELL KRINN TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL	6,232	313	69	61	97	8
WESLEY CHAPEL HIGH SCHOOL	4,511	250	54	54	94	28
WIREGRASS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL	2,000	114	72	67	96	45
ZEPHYRHILLS HIGH SCHOOL	8,906	398	43	39	88	26
<b>Top High Schools as of 2021 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

FL Dept. of Education School Grades,			
2021	2019	2018	2017
n/a	B	B	B
n/a	C	C	C
n/a	B	B	n/a
A	A	A	A
n/a	B	B	B
n/a	C	B	C
n/a	B	B	C
n/a	A	A	B
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
n/a	A	A	A
n/a	n/a	C	C
n/a	B	B	B
n/a	A	A	B
n/a	A	n/a	n/a
n/a	B	B	B
n/a	A	A	B
n/a	C	C	C
A	A	A	A
A	A	A	A
A	A	A	A
FL Dept. of Education County			
2021	2019	2018	2017
91	88	86	81

**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.



**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.
<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 Graduation 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 proprietary 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.