


MEMORANDUM

June 28, 2017

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

FROM: Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent of Schools 

SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY 2016-2017 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADES

Today, the Florida Department of Education released the Preliminary 2016-2017 School Performance Grades for all schools. These results are based on the school grading rule and scale that were adopted by the State Board of Education on January 6, 2016, which include performance and learning gains. Learning gains have historically represented an important component of the school grades calculation as it takes into account student growth, particularly for the large population of English language learners and special education students in diverse districts such as Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS).

Attached is a summary of the School Performance Grade distributions for M-DCPS, the State, and other large districts. Highlights include:

- For the first time in the history of M-DCPS, there are no “F” rated traditional schools.
- In 2017, 39 percent of all Miami-Dade schools received “A” ratings, compared to just 30 percent statewide. This is an increase of 9 percentage points from last year for M-DPCS.
 - Higher percentages of Miami-Dade schools received “A” ratings in 2017 than those in all other large Florida districts, including Broward, Hillsborough, Duval, Palm Beach, and Orange.
 - M-DCPS also received higher ratings than the state and these counties when examining the percentage of schools scoring “A” and “B”; and when combined across “A” and “B” ratings.
- For each school type, M-DCPS outperformed schools statewide in the percentage receiving “A” ratings.
 - 41% of M-DCPS elementary schools, compared to 30% statewide.
 - 31% of M-DCPS middle schools, compared to 29% statewide.
 - 34% of M-DCPS senior high schools, compared to 24% statewide.
 - 44% of M-DCPS combination grade schools, compared to 40% statewide.
- M-DCPS reduced the percentage of “D” rated schools by almost half.
- In 2017, 6 schools improved their grade from an “F” to a “C” or higher (one from an “F” to “A”, two from an “F” to a “B”, and three from an “F” to a “C”).

The Preliminary 2016-2017 School Performance Grades can be found on the following website: <http://oada.dadeschools.net/>.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Marie Izquierdo, Chief Academic Officer, Office of Academics and Transformation, at 305 995-1451 or Ms. Gisela Feild, Administrative Director, Assessment, Research, and Data Analysis, at 305 995-2943.

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Table 1

School Performance Grade Distributions, 2015-2016 through 2016-2017*****

Elementary, Middle, and Senior High and Combination Schools

| School Level | | A | | B | | C | | D | | F | |
|----------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | 15-16 | 16-17 | 15-16 | 16-17 | 15-16 | 16-17 | 15-16 | 16-17 | 15-16 | 16-17 |
| Elementary | | 55 | 83 | 55 | 63 | 66 | 47 | 23 | 7 | 5 | 2* |
| Middle | | 20 | 22 | 15 | 12 | 29 | 30 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 0 |
| Senior | | 22 | 24 | 12 | 22 | 36 | 20 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Combination | | 33 | 36 | 19 | 21 | 23 | 23 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| All Levels | Total | 130 | 165 | 101 | 118 | 154 | 120 | 43 | 22 | 8 | 2 |
| | M-DCPS | 79 | 111 | 82 | 87 | 126 | 105 | 29 | 14 | 7 | 0 |
| | Charter | 51 | 54 | 19 | 31 | 28 | 15 | 14 | 8 | 1 | 2 |
| Percent Total | | 30 | 39 | 23 | 28 | 35 | 28 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 0 |

*The two elementary schools rated "F" are charter schools.

** The 2015-2016 counts and percentages displayed in this document reflect minor differences from percentages published previously because of the inclusion of the school grades of schools that had been previously denoted as Incomplete.

*** Excludes 12 schools that received an Incomplete.

Table 2
School Performance Grade Distributions, 2015-2016* and 2016-2017
Percent of schools receiving each School Performance Grade
Florida and Selected Districts

| District | 15-16 # of Schools | 16-17 # of Schools | A | | | B | | | C | | | D | | | F | | |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|------------|
| | | | 15-16 % | 16-17 % | Difference | 15-16 % | 16-17 % | Difference | 15-16 % | 16-17 % | Difference | 15-16 % | 16-17 % | Difference | 15-16 % | 16-17 % | Difference |
| Miami-Dade | 436 | 427 | 30 | 39 | +9 | 23 | 28 | +5 | 35 | 28 | -7 | 10 | 5 | -5 | 2 | 0 | -2 |
| Broward | 299 | 281 | 23 | 31 | +8 | 21 | 21 | 0 | 38 | 43 | +5 | 13 | 4 | -9 | 4 | 2 | -2 |
| Duval | 180 | 169 | 17 | 27 | +10 | 19 | 24 | +5 | 37 | 38 | +1 | 22 | 9 | -13 | 4 | 1 | -3 |
| Hillsborough | 252 | 246 | 20 | 26 | +6 | 17 | 17 | 0 | 41 | 42 | +1 | 17 | 13 | -4 | 4 | 2 | -2 |
| Orange | 205 | 207 | 22 | 30 | +8 | 21 | 26 | +5 | 40 | 35 | -5 | 12 | 7 | -5 | 4 | 2 | -2 |
| Palm Beach | 199 | 197 | 32 | 36 | +4 | 24 | 24 | 0 | 35 | 34 | -1 | 7 | 4 | -3 | 3 | 2 | -1 |
| FLORIDA | 3296 | 3222 | 23 | 30 | +7 | 23 | 27 | +4 | 39 | 35 | -4 | 12 | 7 | -5 | 3 | 1 | -2 |

Note. Excludes Alternative and ESE Schools.

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Table 3

Schools Designated as “F” for 2016-2017

| Charter Schools | | |
|------------------------|------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1. | 0102 | Miami Community Charter |
| 2. | 2060 | Theodore R. and Thelma A. Gibson Charter School |