

MEMORANDUM

June 27, 2018

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

FROM: Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent of Schools 

SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY 2017-2018 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADES

Today, the Florida Department of Education released the Preliminary 2017-2018 School Performance Grades for all schools, and **Miami-Dade County Public Schools is an "A" rated district for the first time.**

The results released today 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 they take 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 the Florida School Performance Grades, Miami-Dade County Public Schools has achieved a districtwide grade of "A".
- For the second year in a row there are no "F" rated traditional schools at M-DCPS.
- A higher percentage of Miami-Dade schools received "A" ratings in 2018 than statewide across all schools, and in all other large Florida districts, including Broward, Hillsborough, Duval, Palm Beach, and Orange.
 - In 2018, 47 percent of all Miami-Dade schools received "A" ratings, compared to just 32 percent statewide.
 - This represents an increase of 8 percentage points from last year for M-DCPS, compared to a 2 point increase statewide.
 - M-DCPS also outscored the state and the other large counties when examining the percentage of schools combined across "A" and "B" ratings; and across "A", "B", and "C" ratings.
- For each school type, M-DCPS outperformed schools statewide in the percentage receiving "A" ratings.
 - 49% of M-DCPS elementary schools, compared to 28% statewide.
 - 40% of M-DCPS middle schools, compared to 33% statewide.
 - 37% of M-DCPS senior high schools, compared to 32% statewide.
 - 56% of M-DCPS combination grade schools, compared to 45% statewide.

The Preliminary 2017-2018 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.

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Attachment

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Table 1

School Performance Grade Distributions, 2016-2017 through 2017-18*****

Elementary, Middle, and Senior High and Combination Schools

School Level		A		B		C		D		F	
		16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18
Elementary		84	96	64	61	47	38	7	2	2	0
Middle		25	29	12	14	30	24	8	6	0	0
Senior		24	27	23	21	25	25	5	0	0	0
Combination		37	49	21	23	23	14	2	0	0	1
All Levels	Total	170	201	120	119	125	101	22	8	2	1
	M-DCPS	113	132	87	94	110	82	14	5	0	0
	Charter	57	69	33	25	15	19	8	3	2	1
Percent Total		39%	47%	27%	28%	28%	23%	5%	2%	0%	0%

** The 2016-2017 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 14 schools that received an Incomplete.

Table 2
School Performance Grade Distributions, 2016-2017* and 2017-2018
Percent of schools receiving each School Performance Grade
Florida and Selected Districts

District	16-17 # of Schools	17-18 # of Schools	A			B			C			D			F		
			16-17 %	17-18 %	Difference	16-17 %	17-18 %	Difference	16-17 %	17-18 %	Difference	16-17 %	17-18 %	Difference	16-17 %	17-18 %	Difference
Miami-Dade	439	430	39	47	+8	27	28	+1	28	23	-5	5	2	-3	0	0	0
Broward	292	285	30	31	+1	21	24	+3	43	39	-4	4	6	+2	2	0	-2
Duval	170	168	27	24	-3	24	26	+2	38	37	-1	10	11	+1	1	2	+1
Hillsborough	251	255	26	25	-1	18	19	+1	42	42	0	14	11	-3	2	3	+1
Orange	210	206	31	30	-1	25	24	-1	35	37	+2	7	7	0	2	1	-1
Palm Beach	201	196	36	42	+6	24	22	-2	34	33	-1	4	2	-2	1	1	0
FLORIDA	3,293	3,246	30	32	+2	27	26	-1	36	35	-1	7	6	-1	1	1	0

Note. Excludes Alternative and ESE Schools.

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Table 3

Schools Designated as "F" for 2017-2018

Charter Schools	
7043	Arts Academy of Excellence