Alternative Assessment

In FY2003, the Florida Department of Education began reporting ESE student performance on alternative assessments in grades 3 through 10. Student performance was rated Levels 0 to 4. The following table lists the number of students assessed and the percent of students scoring proficient (Levels 3 and 4) in FY2003 through FY2007 for each standard.

Standard	Number of Students Assessed					Percent of Students Proficient				
	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005 ¹	FY2006	FY2007	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007
Reading	2,430	2,561	893	1716	1742	44%	55%	56%	62%	66%
Mathematics	2,405	2,501	796	1666	1667	40%	52%	51%	58%	65%
Writing	2,431	862	287	663	691	36%	48%	50%	54%	66%
Science	NR	NR	193	607	595	NR	NR	53%	58%	62%

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¹ Due to a change in eligibility requirements, fewer ESE students took alternative assessments in FY2005, taking the FCAT SSS instead.