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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

June 22, 2021

**TO:** School Board Members

**FROM:** Keith Oswald, Deputy Superintendent/Chief of Schools  
Glenda Sheffield, Ed.D., Chief Academic Officer  
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**SUBJECT: FY21 GRADE 3 FLORIDA STANDARDS ASSESSMENT (FSA) ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS RESULTS:  
ALL STUDENTS TESTED**

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has released the summary results of the FY21 Grade 3 FSA English Language Arts (ELA) test. This school year, 13,370 students took the Grade 3 FSA ELA test in the District representing 97% of our enrolled Grade 3 students.<sup>1</sup> This summary includes the percentage of students scoring Level 1 as well as students scoring Level 3 and above. While the percent of students scoring on grade level declined statewide (58% to 54%), Palm Beach County Schools maintained the performance from FY19 with 54% of students on Grade level despite the difficulties presented this school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In FY16, with input from over 20,000 stakeholders, the District created a Strategic Plan with four Long Term Outcomes (LTO) including, possibly the most critical, reading on grade level by Grade 3, which ensures students are reading to learn. Each year, the Strategic Plan identifies an annual growth target for each LTO. With the release of the FY21 Grade 3 FSA ELA, the District fell short of the FY21 LTO target of 75% of students on Grade level, with the percentage remaining unchanged from FY19 at 54%. This was similar to the FY21 state percent of students scoring on grade level. The percentage of students scoring at Level 1 increased from 22% to 25%.

A preliminary analysis of the results from the seven large urban districts and the State overall reveals the following for Grade 3 FSA ELA (in Table 1):

- From FY19 to FY21, the percent of District students scoring Level 3 or above remained unchanged while students scoring Level 1 increased by 3 percentage points.
- In FY21, when compared to the State and six other large urban districts:
  - The District has a higher percentage of students scoring Level 3 or above than three of the other large urban districts and was similar to one other large urban district and the State.
  - The District maintained the percent of students scoring Level 3 or above in FY21, while five of the six other large urban districts and the State declined between 1 and 7 percentage points.
  - The District percent of students scoring Level 1 increased by 3 percentage points while all other large urban districts, including the State, increased between 2 and 5 percentage points.

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<sup>1</sup> This summary is based on all students tested, not on the group of students used in the calculation of school grades.

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**Table 1: FY21 FSA ELA Grade 3 Results: Percent of Students Scoring Level 3 or Higher and Scoring at Level 1 with Change for Big Seven Urban Districts and the State**

District Name	Percent of Students Scoring Level 3 & Above		Change from FY19 to FY21	Percent of Students Scoring Level 1		Change from FY19 to FY21
	FY19	FY21		FY19	FY21	
Palm Beach	54%	54%	0	22%	25%	3
Broward	60%	53%	-7	18%	23%	5
Miami-Dade	60%	57%	-3	19%	22%	3
Duval	51%	48%	-3	25%	30%	5
Hillsborough	52%	51%	-1	25%	27%	2
Orange	55%	55%	0	23%	25%	2
Pinellas	56%	54%	-2	19%	21%	2
State	58%	54%	-4	20%	23%	3

\*FY20 assessments were suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Table 2 provides the percentage of students scoring Level 3 and above and the percentage of students scoring Level 1 by gender, race/ethnicity, ELL, ESE, and FRL status for Palm Beach County Schools. Overall results for individual schools are reported in the attachment. Percentages based on fewer than 10 students are excluded.

- For students scoring at Level 3 or higher from FY19 to FY21:
  - ELL students show a substantial decrease: ELL Male (-8.0%), ELL Female (-6.6%), and ELL - All (-7.4%)
  - Other groups that show a decrease of more than 1 percentage point include: White - All (-1.6%), ESE - All (-1.9%), Male - All (-2.2%), Hispanic Male (-2.4%), White Male (-3.0%), ESE Male (-3.3%), and FRL Male (-2.7%)
  - Black Females show the highest increase (2.0%)
- For students scoring at Level 1, from FY19 to FY21,
  - All categories show an increase of more than 1 percentage point
  - Female ELL students show the largest increase (9.3%)
  - All ELL categories show an increase of over 8 percentage points: ELL - All (9.2%), ELL Female (9.3%), ELL Male (8.9%)
  - Black Females show the lowest increase (1.1%)

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**Table 2: FY21 FSA ELA Grade 3 Results: Percent of Students Scoring Level 3 or Higher and Scoring at Level 1 with Change for All and Subgroups**

Subgroups	Percent of Students Scoring Level 3 & Above			Change FY19 to FY21	Percent of Students Scoring Level 1			Change FY19 to FY21
	FY18	FY19	FY21		FY18	FY19	FY21	
Female	59.3%	57.1%	57.8%	0.7	18.5%	19.4%	21.9%	2.5
Male	52.1%	52.1%	49.9%	-2.2	24.4%	24.5%	27.2%	2.7
Black - All	40.7%	39.6%	40.5%	0.9	30.0%	30.6%	32.8%	2.2
Black - Female	45.0%	42.6%	44.6%	2.0	25.9%	26.8%	27.9%	1.1
Black - Male	36.8%	36.8%	36.8%	0.0	33.9%	33.9%	37.3%	3.4
Hispanic - All	49.1%	47.5%	46.7%	-0.8	26.6%	27.6%	31.0%	3.4
Hispanic - Female	52.8%	50.5%	51.4%	0.9	23.1%	24.8%	29.1%	4.3
Hispanic - Male	45.7%	44.6%	42.2%	-2.4	29.8%	30.4%	32.8%	2.4
White - All	75.4%	74.1%	72.5%	-1.6	8.5%	8.6%	10.3%	1.7
White - Female	78.0%	75.0%	74.8%	-0.2	7.4%	7.8%	9.0%	1.2
White - Male	73.0%	73.2%	70.2%	-3.0	9.6%	9.4%	11.6%	2.2
ELL (LY & LF) - All	34.6%	33.3%	25.9%	-7.4	38.1%	39.1%	48.3%	9.2
ELL (LY & LF) - Female	37.2%	34.9%	28.3%	-6.6	35.9%	36.9%	46.2%	9.3
ELL (LY & LF) - Male	32.3%	31.9%	23.9%	-8.0	39.9%	41.1%	50.0%	8.9
ESE - All	32.6%	32.8%	30.9%	-1.9	38.3%	38.2%	45.1%	6.9
ESE - Female	31.0%	30.3%	30.9%	0.6	37.2%	39.5%	43.8%	4.3
ESE - Male	33.3%	34.1%	30.8%	-3.3	38.7%	37.5%	45.8%	8.3
FRL - All	45.7%	43.7%	43.1%	-0.6	27.6%	29.1%	32.0%	2.9
FRL - Female	49.4%	45.8%	47.4%	1.6	24.0%	26.1%	28.9%	2.8
FRL - Male	42.3%	41.7%	39.0%	-2.7	31.0%	31.9%	34.8%	2.9

Note: ELL (LY & LF)- English Language Learner actively served (LY) and during the two year follow up period (LF); ESE- Students with Disabilities; FRL- Students eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Lunch

Schools have received their results and will use this information to meet individual student needs and for school improvement. District and regional staff will use the results to provide direction for improvement in curriculum and instruction. Additional analyses will be completed in the coming days. For District State Assessment results, please visit the Research and Evaluation website at: <https://www2.palmbeachschools.org/dre/results/>.

If you have questions about Grade 3 FSA ELA results, please contact Adam Miller, Assistant Superintendent, Performance Accountability, at 561-434-8851. If you have questions about instructional programs, please contact Keith Oswald, Deputy Superintendent/Chief of Schools, at 561-649-6805. If you have questions about individual school efforts and the FSA tests, please contact the appropriate Regional Superintendent.

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#### Attachments

- c: Donald E. Fennoy II, Ed.D., Superintendent
- Academic and Operating Chiefs
- Regional/Instructional Superintendents
- Assistant Superintendents
- Academic Directors
- Principals

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District Name	School	Percent of Students Scoring Level 3 & Above		Change from FY19 to FY21	Percent of Students Scoring Level 1		Change from FY19 to FY21
		FY19	FY21		FY19	FY21	
ACREAGE PINES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2141	72	63	-9	9	17	8
ADDISON MIZNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1451	75	78	3	6	9	3
ALLAMANDA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0101	61	55	-6	15	18	3
BANYAN CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1891	59	65	6	15	17	2
BARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0741	22	15	-7	54	67	13
BEACON COVE INTERMEDIATE SCHL	2541	83	82	-1	7	9	2
BELLE GLADE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2401	16	20	4	58	64	6
BELVEDERE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0531	44	32	-12	33	47	14
BENOIST FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHL	2751	26	27	1	39	43	4
BERKSHIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0601	50	53	3	19	23	4
BINKS FOREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2561	79	85	6	6	7	1
BOCA RATON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0951	37	52	15	23	18	-5
CALUSA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1911	77	84	7	8	4	-4
CHOLEE LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2761	41	22	-19	34	52	18
CITRUS COVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2071	58	65	7	22	15	-7
CLIFFORD O TAYLOR/KIRKLANE ELE	1531	39	37	-2	34	35	1
CORAL REEF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2581	76	63	-13	9	14	5
CORAL SUNSET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1811	58	55	-3	15	25	10
CROSSPOINTE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2731	46	46	0	24	31	7
CRYSTAL LAKES ELEMENTARY SCHL	2121	68	67	-1	9	15	6
CYPRESS TRAILS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1941	55	60	5	24	19	-5
DEL PRADO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1741	82	76	-6	5	7	2
DIAMOND VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3261	39	44	5	35	37	2
DISCOVERY KEY ELEMENTARY SCHL	2721	66	71	5	13	12	-1
DR. MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE ELEM.	2491	38	29	-9	36	41	5
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER ELEM.	1541	52	55	3	22	19	-3
EGRET LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2101	37	30	-7	33	44	11
ELBRIDGE GALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3361	75	78	3	9	11	2
EQUESTRIAN TRAILS ELEMENTARY	3341	80	70	-10	5	7	2
EVERGLADES ELEMENTARY	0061	74	71	-3	8	10	2
FOREST HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0621	50	38	-13	27	35	8
FOREST PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0831	43	33	-10	28	37	9
FREEDOM SHORES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2671	42	40	-2	27	30	3
FRONTIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2551	77	65	-12	6	14	8
GALAXY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0821	43	34	-9	36	41	5
GLADE VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1251	18	20	2	62	51	-11
GOLDEN GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2421	66	66	0	12	17	5
GOVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1241	31	34	3	39	39	0
GRASSY WATERS ELEMENTARY	3351	56	51	-5	15	23	8
GREENACRES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0631	45	37	-8	30	40	10
GROVE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1411	34	29	-5	36	36	0
H. L. JOHNSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1761	65	72	7	10	11	1
HAGEN ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1421	63	65	2	11	21	10
HAMMOCK POINTE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2081	63	60	-3	17	17	0
HERITAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2571	35	41	6	37	33	-4
HIDDEN OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0011	51	52	1	17	23	6

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HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0671	20	25	5	55	51	-4
HOPE-CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0012	32	30	-2	33	42	9
INDIAN PINES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1861	36	37	1	41	39	-2
J. C. MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHL	0931	62	54	-8	19	21	2
JERRY THOMAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1651	68	69	1	17	17	0
JUPITER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0071	38	37	-1	40	39	-1
JUPITER FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHL	2091	83	79	-4	2	1	-1
K. E. CUNNINGHAM/CANAL POINT ELEMENTARY	1831	38	33	-5	32	42	10
LAKE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0141	45	73	28	19	12	-7
LANTANA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0751	44	43	-1	32	41	9
LIBERTY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1871	47	40	-7	22	38	16
LIMESTONE CREEK ELEM. SCHOOL	2031	84	76	-8	3	9	6
LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0211	26	31	5	36	52	16
LOXAHATCHEE GROVES ELEMENTARY	1901	65	46	-19	17	27	10
MANATEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2241	71	74	3	9	10	1
MARSH POINTE ELEMENTARY	0661	89	89	0	0	2	2
MEADOW PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0591	61	76	15	9	12	3
MELALEUCA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1441	46	34	-12	28	39	11
MORIKAMI PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1951	95	96	1	0	1	1
NEW HORIZONS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2051	60	68	8	19	15	-4
NORTH GRADE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0681	39	40	1	34	31	-3
NORTHBORO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0291	44	48	4	17	27	10
NORTHMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0271	36	27	-9	42	52	10
ORCHARD VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2351	38	49	11	36	27	-9
PAHOKEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1101	37	54	17	32	27	-5
PALM BEACH GARDENS ELEMENTARY	0111	67	58	-10	8	14	6
PALM BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL	0421	66	72	6	16	11	-5
PALM SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0651	34	34	0	39	43	4
PALMETTO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0561	39	39	0	30	38	8
PANTHER RUN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2161	81	83	2	6	7	1
PIERCE HAMMOCK ELEMENTARY	2861	71	77	6	8	11	3
PINE GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0911	38	39	1	34	42	8
PINE JOG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0051	53	52	-1	23	24	1
PIONEER PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2371	24	20	-4	46	45	-1
PLEASANT CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2591	33	25	-8	38	44	6
PLUMOSA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS	0871	47	39	-8	30	24	-6
POINCIANA STEM ELEMENTARY MAGNET SCHOOL	0791	62	49	-13	7	18	11
ROLLING GREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0781	22	28	6	53	44	-9
ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0341	19	17	-2	42	57	15
ROSENWALD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1321	22	32	10	40	43	3
ROYAL PALM BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2741	71	59	-12	7	19	12
S. D. SPADY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0881	65	41	-24	17	15	-2
SANDPIPER SHORES ELEM. SCHOOL	1961	73	64	-9	11	16	5
SEMINOLE TRAILS ELEM. SCHOOL	1711	44	25	-19	34	44	10
SOUTH GRADE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2431	24	23	-1	44	50	6
SOUTH OLIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0572	66	60	-6	20	15	-5

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STARLIGHT COVE ELEMENTARY SCHL	0771	31	23	-8	40	53	13
SUNRISE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2691	75	78	3	6	9	3
SUNSET PALMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0281	76	71	-5	3	3	0
THE CONSERVATORY SCHOOL AT NORTH PALM	0131	48	63	15	30	23	-7
TIMBER TRACE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2011	76	70	-6	5	9	4
U. B. KINSEY/PALMVIEW ELEM.	0361	48	48	0	17	25	8
VERDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1661	65	70	5	11	11	0
VILLAGE ACADEMY ON THE ART & SARA JO KOBACKER	2811	22	24	2	40	57	17
WASHINGTON ELEM MAGNET SCHOOL	0191	29	26	-3	33	47	14
WATERS EDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0031	88	80	-8	3	5	2
WELLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1671	64	58	-6	15	21	6
WEST GATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0481	38	25	-13	33	52	19
WEST RIVIERA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1401	38	28	-10	34	49	15
WESTWARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	0351	25	31	6	46	36	-10
WHISPERING PINES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1781	72	68	-4	12	11	-1
WYNNEBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1391	59	65	6	15	15	0
BEN GAMLA-PALM BEACH	3941	64	77	13	14	9	-5
BRIDGEPREP ACADEMY OF PALM BEACH	4102	63	57	-6	7	20	13
BRIGHT FUTURES ACADEMY	3385	33	23	-10	25	54	29
FRANKLIN ACADEMY - BOYNTON BEACH	4020	60	62	2	14	13	-1
GARDENS SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY ARTS INC	3961	82	58	-24	6	17	11
GLADES ACADEMY, INC	3382	14	52	38	31	30	-1
IMAGINE SCHOOLS CHANCELLOR CAMPUS	3381	59	50	-9	13	23	10
MONTESSORI ACADEMYOF EARLY ENRICHMENT, INC	3394	44	42	-2	21	27	6
PALM BEACH MARITIME ACADEMY	2801	43	29	-14	28	42	14
RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL AT CENTRAL PALM	4051	56	54	-2	23	24	1
RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL AT CYPRESS	4050	60	56	-4	17	17	0
RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL AT PALMS WEST	4000	47	40	-7	26	28	2
RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL AT SUMMIT	4002	36	44	8	36	32	-4
RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL AT WELLINGTON	4001	58	56	-2	19	14	-5
RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL AT WEST PALM	3431	74	79	5	5	4	-1
SOMERSET ACADEMY BOCA EAST	3413	84	67	-17	0	11	11
SOMERSET ACADEMY JFK CHARTER SCHOOL	3395	60	41	-19	20	25	5
SOMERSET ACADEMY LAKES	4091	56	67	11	25	14	-11
UNIVERSITY PREPARATORY ACADEMY PALM BEACH	4080	31	20	-11	42	45	3
WESTERN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL	2911	80	89	9	5	2	-3