



Hillsborough County High Schools  
(see page 2 for sources and explanations of data components)

	2022 U.S. News and World Report of Best High schools						FL Dept. of Education School			
	National Rank	State Rank	% Reading Proficiency	% Math Proficiency	% Graduation Rates	College Ready Index	2022	2021	2019	2018
<b>County Average</b>	n/a	n/a	46	32	n/a	n/a				
Alonso High School	2,238	146	55	32	97	45	A	B	B	B
Armwood High School	6,084	313	37	26	88	28	C	C	C	C
Bell Creek Academy High School	1,296	87	77	56	98	49	A	A	A	A
Blake High School	5,794	304	44	23	90	31	C		C	C
Bloomington High School	2,660	165	54	44	97	43	A	B	B	B
Bowers-Whitley Career Center	13,261-17,680	539-618	14	19	47		A		A	A
Brandon High School	8,906	418	35	29	89	20	C		C	C
Brooks DeBartolo Collegiate High School	902	58	72	48	100	59	A	B	A	A
Chamberlain High School	12,332	507	21	18	80	21	C	C	C	C
Durant High School	4,211	228	43	38	96	36	B		B	B
East Bay High School	9,674	436	34	22	95	22	C	C	C	C
Freedom High School	6,332	327	39	21	94	32	C	C	C	C
Gaither High School	4,900	258	47	29	92	32	B		B	B
Hillsborough High School	2,672	166	47	29	91	43	B		B	B
Hillsborough Virtual School	5,949	311	69	55	85	16	I		A	B
Jefferson High School	5,654	296	39	20	90	28	C	C	C	C
King High School	3,868	215	44	19	90	40	C		C	C
Lennard High School	8,633	412	45	28	89	17	C	C	C	C
Leto High School	3,331	189	41	36	96	41	B	C	C	C
Middleton High School	2,957	178	50	21	87	44	C		C	B
Newsome High School	758	49	76	61	99	60	A	A	A	A
Pivot Charter School	13,261-17,680	539-618	32	15	89		C		C	C
Plant City High School	5,763	303	39	35	98	25	B		B	B
Plant High School	478	35	75	65	97	70	A	A	A	A
Riverview High School	2,832	174	50	36	94	44	B	B	B	B
Robinson High School	1,113	72	63	39	91	58	A	B	B	A
Seminole Heights Charter High School	13,261-17,680	539-618		9	10		C		C	C
Sickles High School	1,289	86	65	58	98	52	A		A	A
Simmons Career Center	13,261-17,680	539-618	11	8	74					
South County Career Center	13,261-17,680	539-618	17	3	52					
Sports Leadership and Management Academy (Tampa)	4,321	234	36	40	88	49	C		C	C
Spoto High School	7,843	380	35	25	92	20				
Steinbrenner High School	783	53	72	60	98	59	A	A	A	A
Strawberry Crest High School	1,544	102	55	47	98	50	B		A	A
Tampa Bay Tech High School	1,914	124	56	40	99	36	A		A	B
West University Charter High School	13,261-17,680	539-618	9	10	17					

Wharton High School	3,610	207	42	30	91	41	C	C	C	C
<b>Top High Schools as of 2022 Florida</b>										
School for Advanced Studies (SAS), Miami	3	1		100	100	100	A		A	A
Pine View School, Osprey	13	2	99	100	100	100	A		A	A
Archimedean Upper Conservatory Charter School	41	3	91	73	99	99	A	A	A	A

**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.

<b>FL Dept. of Education County</b>			
<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
86	89	89	88



**Explanations of County High School Data Components**

U.S. News and World Report Data	
Ranking Algorithm & Criteria for a School to Be Ranked	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-algorithm">http://tinyurl.com/usn-algorithm</a>
Nationally-Ranked Schools	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-national-ranking">http://tinyurl.com/usn-national-ranking</a>
Florida Ranked Schools	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/usn-florida-ranking">http://tinyurl.com/usn-florida-ranking</a>
Reading Proficiency	Assessment of students' ability to read at grade level.
Math Proficiency	Assessment of students' ability to perform math at grade level.
College Readiness Index	Index representing the proportion of a school's 12th graders that took and passed AP/IB exams.
County Average	Average scores for the Florida schools listed
Graduation Rate	The proportion of entering ninth graders who graduated four academic years later
FL Dept. of Education County Graduation Rates (%)	Florida High School Graduation Rates, 2020-21 (fldoe.org)
Top High Schools - Florida	Shows a sampling of highly-ranked Florida Schools
FL Dept. of Education School Grades	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/">http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/</a>
School and County Letter Grades as calculated by the Florida DOE	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/">http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/</a>
School and County Letter Grades as calculated by the Florida DOE	(see "School Grades" Excel file for individual school grades)
Comparing Ranking Data (proficiencies & college-ready index) with Florida DOE school grades	(see "District Grades" Excel file for county 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.