

FLORIDA STANDARDS ASSESSMENT (FSA)

All Florida schools teach the Florida Standards in ELA and Mathematics. Student performance on the FSA provides important information to parents/guardians, teachers, policy makers, and the general public regarding how well students are learning the Florida Standards. FSA results are reported at the student, school, district, and state levels. After the Spring 2015 baseline FSA administration, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) conducted the standard setting process to establish the cut scores for the performance levels, also called achievement levels, for each grade and subject.

For all grade levels and subjects, the minimum scale score in performance level 3 is identified as the passing score. Earning passing scores on the Grade 10 ELA and Algebra 1 EOC assessments is required for graduation with a standard high school diploma.

An analysis of FSA Score Trends FY 2015 – 2021 for Broward County schools found significant disparities among White, Hispanic, and Black students in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics at both the 3rd and 10th grade levels. Due to the cancellation of statewide testing in 2020, results were compared to scores from the 2018- 2019 school year.

**Table 4.3: Broward County FSA English Language Arts Passing Rate, 3rd Grade**

Year	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 21
White	70.3%	71.5%	75.3%	75.2%	75.5%	70.5%
Hispanic	54.9%	56.5%	58.8%	60.7%	63.1%	56.5%
Black	36.4%	40.8%	43.9%	46.6%	46.4%	39.7%

**Table 4.4: Broward County FSA English Language Arts Passing Rate, 10th Grade**

Year	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 21
White	69.9%	67.8%	70.1%	69.1%	70.5%	66.1%
Hispanic	56.1%	53.6%	54.9%	57.5%	56.6%	54.9%
Black	34.0%	34.2%	37.4%	39.6%	38.4%	39.3%

**Table 4.5: Broward County FSA Math Passing Rate, 3rd Grade**

Year	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 21
White	73.8%	74.5%	74.2%	76.5%	77.2%	60.7%
Hispanic	61.6%	63.5%	63.1%	64.7%	68.0%	45.3%
Black	43.3%	49.1%	49.8%	51.8%	54.7%	27.4%

