Nearly half of Florida fourth graders were reading severely below grade level.¹

Ranked 5th in the nation in fourth grade reading achievement.¹
Florida’s fourth graders have improved by more than two grade levels since 1998.

Half of Florida fourth graders were performing below the national average in math.¹

Ranked 7th in the nation in fourth grade math achievement.¹
Florida’s fourth graders have improved by three grade levels since 1998.

Ranked among the worst 10 states for the percentage of students successfully completing AP courses.²
Florida is also ranked first among states in the percentage of students taking AP courses.

Only half of Florida students graduated high school on time.³

Increased Florida’s statewide graduation rate by 30 percentage points.³
Hispanic, African-American graduation rates have increased faster than the state average.

Only .4 percent of all K-12 students - 9,135 students - attended a public charter school.³

Nearly 1 in 10 students - 295,000 - attended a public charter school.³
Florida charter school students showed greater learning gains than their traditional public school peers in both reading and math.¹

No K-12 scholarship program existed in 1998.³

Nearly 150,000 low-income students and students with disabilities received scholarships to attend private school.³
Florida students attending a private school through the Tax Credit Scholarship program showed learning gains each year for the last 10 years.⁴

¹ National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)
² The College Board
³ Florida Department of Education
⁴ Florida State University Learning Systems Institute Study