

*Our vision is to create a community which works together so all Pasco County students will reach their highest potential.*

## Student Population

Total Number of Students (PreK-12) . . . . .	67,337
Number of students enrolled in exceptional education programs. . . . .	13,764
Number of ESOL students . . . . .	2,767
Percentage of students on free/reduced meals . . . . .	55%

## Employees

Total Number of Employees . . . . .	9,289
Total Number of Instructional Employees . . . . .	5,064
Total Number of Instructional Support Employees (e.g., secretarial, transportation, custodial) . . . . .	3,930
Total Number of Administrators. . . . .	295

## Schools

Total Number of Schools (including charter) . . . . .	84
Number of High Schools . . . . .	13
Number of Middle Schools . . . . .	15
Number of Elementary Schools . . . . .	46
Number of Educational Centers . . . . .	4
Number of Charter Schools (K-8) . . . . .	5
Number of Virtual Schools (K-12) . . . . .	1

## Budget Information

**General Operating Budget** . . . . . \$475,264,850  
(Day-to-Day Operations)

### Use of General Operating Funds:

Direct Student Services . . . . .	94%
Curriculum and Staff Development. . . . .	3%
District Services . . . . .	3%

## Student Performance

*Including Charter Schools*

Florida School Recognition Program District Grade . . . . .	B
Number of schools with an "A" . . . . .	40
Number of schools with a "B" . . . . .	16
Number of schools with a "C" . . . . .	19
Number of schools with a "D" . . . . .	4
Number of schools with an "F" . . . . .	0
Graduation Rate. . . . .	88.5%

## Other Points of Pride

Number of schools that have earned the Five Star School Award . . . . .	40
Number of schools that have received the Golden School Award. . . . .	70
Number of schools that have received the Silver School Award . . . . .	13
Number of National Board Certified Teachers . . . . .	192
Number of Approved Volunteers . . . . .	16,648
Number of Volunteer Hours . . . . .	366,644

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## Commitment to the Future

**District School Board of Pasco County**

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# Spotlight on our Success

Recently, the District School Board of Pasco County reached the following milestones:

- Opened 20 new schools in six years
- Prioritized classroom spending by maintaining one of the lowest administrative costs in the state (approximately 3%)
- Became one of first seven districts in the state to earn District SACS-CASI Accreditation
- Earned Council for Occupational Education (COE) Accreditation at MTEC
- Collaboratively developed a Five Year Strategic Plan for sustainable success
- Implemented at least one Certified Career Academy in every high school
- Led the state with implementation of the Problem-Solving/Response to Instruction framework
- Increased access to Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, Gifted and Dual Enrollment courses
- Opened Pasco eSchool, its first virtual school
- Secured an A bond rating from Moody's, allowing savings in its debt service payment
- Improved parent communication through eSembler and School Connects services
- Reduced energy costs as part of a district-wide effort to implement environmentally-friendly practices
- Opened the first Silver LEED Certified elementary school in the state of Florida and won the 2009 Governor's Serve to Preserve: Green Schools Award
- Improved staff development opportunities focusing on research-based best practices for all employees (both school-based and district staff)
- Developed a partnership with USF to provide health care to needy students via Ronald McDonald Mobile Medical Van
- Held energy costs per square foot (KWh/Sf) below the state average for school districts
- Purchased land at today's prices for future needs of the District through land-banking program
- Worked with county officials to improve the growth management planning process, ensuring that the District is better able to accommodate future increases in population
- Earned 2008 and 2009 Best Places to Work Award by the Agency for Workforce Innovation
- Expanded the use of Instructional Technology throughout District, as Moodle and Skype are being used to help students and educators work with international peers
- Developed a wide variety of wellness initiatives for students in an effort to combat childhood obesity and promote healthy lifestyles
- Expanded staff wellness initiatives, yielding significant savings in health care costs and improved health outcomes
- Enhanced functionality of Pasco STAR, the District's data warehouse system, in order to improve the quality and format of data available to educators
- Achieved "Exemplary Rating" from DOE and DJJ for all juvenile justice education programs
- Won first place for Innovative Practices in Education from the Florida Association of School Psychologists
- Numerous individual departments, schools and employees have received recognition for their outstanding efforts

