

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**JAMES F. NOTTER  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**Telephone: (754) 321-2600**

**Facsimile: (754) 321-2701**

*Signatures on file.*

August 20, 2009

TO: School Board Members

FROM: Joanne W. Harrison, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent  
Educational Programs & Student Support

VIA: James F. Notter  
Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: **2008-09 ACT DATA RELEASE**

ACT, Inc. has published the assessment results for the 2008-09 school year. District and school results are available.

*Mean ACT scores for the Big Five Districts.*

District	% Tested	Mean Scores				
		Composite	English	Math	Reading	Science
Broward	58.4	18.6	17.6	19.3	19.2	17.9
Hillsborough	53.4	19.4	18.2	20.0	19.9	19.0
Miami-Dade	49.4	17.8	16.7	18.3	18.3	17.4
Orange	53.6	19.0	17.8	19.5	19.5	18.6
Palm Beach	56.6	19.1	17.8	19.6	19.6	18.7
State*	n/a	19.5	18.7	19.7	20.2	19.0
Nation*	n/a	21.1	20.6	21.0	21.4	20.9

\*Data provided for general comparison but tested population is not similar – includes all tested students not only public school student.

Of the five largest districts in the state, composite and subtest mean scores were not remarkably different. The variation among the five districts' mean scores typically ranged within one point.

The lower mean scores at the district and state level compared to the national data are not unexpected. The national data reflect students who are most likely college bound and/or college ready. In Florida the ACT serves as a college entrance examination, as well as an alternative graduation examination for students *who have not met the FCAT graduation requirement*. As such, statewide and for Florida's districts, ACT mean scores include a broader range of students than the national picture.

Attached on the following page is a data table for the individual schools in Broward. Scoring notably high (2 or more points above the Broward average) were College Academy at BCC, Cooper City, Cypress Bay, Pompano Beach, and Marjory Stoneman Douglas. High schools scoring 2 or more points below the district average were Blanche Ely, Boyd Anderson, Coconut Creek, Hallandale, Miramar, and Plantation.

*Mean ACT scores by School.*

School#	School	N	n tested	% tested	Mean Scores				
					Composite	English	Math	Reading	Science
0171	SO BROWARD HS	508	195	38.4%	17.5	16.3	18.3	17.9	17.0
0185	POMPANO BEACH HS	325	227	69.8%	21.7	21.8	21.7	22.1	20.6
0211	STRANAHAN HS	375	267	71.2%	17.9	16.6	18.3	18.5	17.6
0241	MCARTHUR HS	532	318	59.8%	17.0	15.7	17.6	17.8	16.4
0361	BLANCHE ELY HS	447	367	82.1%	16.6	15.0	17.2	17.4	16.2
0371	DILLARD HS	392	233	59.4%	16.9	15.8	17.3	17.7	16.4
0403	HALLANDALE HS	297	229	77.1%	16.2	14.7	16.7	17.2	15.9
0452	WHIDDON-ROGERS ED CTR	123	146	>100%	13.0	10.2	14.5	13.4	13.4
0592	HALLANDALE ADULT/COMM	161	58	36.0%	13.5	11.2	14.3	14.3	13.4
0601	SEAGULL SCH	35	25	71.4%	14.1	11.9	15.2	14.6	14.4
0951	FORT LAUDERDALE HS	315	211	67.0%	18.4	17.6	18.8	19.4	17.5
1151	CORAL SPRINGS HS	533	320	60.0%	19.2	18.2	20.1	19.5	18.6
1241	NORTHEAST HS	475	274	57.7%	18.1	17.0	18.9	18.9	17.4
1281	NOVA HS	503	323	64.2%	20.1	19.2	20.6	20.7	19.6
1291	WILLIAM T MCFATTER HS	133	91	68.4%	21.4	21.7	21.6	21.7	19.9
1451	PLANTATION HS	526	373	70.9%	16.5	15.1	17.3	17.1	16.2
1661	HOLLYWOOD HILLS HS	449	245	54.6%	16.9	15.5	17.4	17.6	16.4
1681	COCONUT CREEK HS	499	298	59.7%	16.1	14.5	16.6	17.1	15.7
1711	DEERFIELD BEACH HS	505	335	66.3%	16.9	15.3	17.9	17.6	16.3
1741	BOYD ANDERSON H S	496	347	70.0%	16.3	14.8	16.9	16.8	16.1
1751	MIRAMAR HS	635	414	65.2%	16.6	15.4	17.0	17.5	16.0
1752	WHISPERING PINES*	19	2	10.5%					
1901	PIPER HS	595	361	60.7%	17.2	15.9	18.1	17.6	16.6
1931	COOPER CITY HS	561	321	57.2%	21.6	20.8	22.4	21.9	20.6
2221	ATLANTIC TECH CTR	159	59	37.1%	19.4	18.5	20.4	19.3	18.9
2351	SOUTH PLANTATION HS	553	319	57.7%	18.1	17.1	18.8	18.6	17.6
2751	TARAVELLA J P HS	640	303	47.3%	20.4	19.6	21.2	20.9	19.4
2831	WESTERN HS	598	269	45.0%	20.2	19.7	20.8	20.9	19.2
3011	MARJ STONEMAN DOUGLAS	705	443	62.8%	22.3	21.9	23.3	22.4	21.1
3391	FLANAGAN HS	723	426	58.9%	18.3	17.1	18.9	19.1	17.6
3541	MONARCH HS	486	286	58.8%	18.9	18.0	19.7	19.2	18.0
3623	CYPRESS BAY HS	1266	778	61.5%	21.6	20.9	22.5	22.0	20.4
3651	DAVE THOMAS WEST	102	39	38.2%	13.7	11.6	14.5	14.9	13.4
3731	EVERGLADES HS	919	475	51.7%	19.4	18.8	19.8	20.1	18.4
3851	COLLEGE ACAD AT BCC	162	139	85.8%	25.8	26.3	26.7	26.2	23.7
3861	CORAL GLADES HS	521	287	55.1%	20.0	19.3	20.2	20.6	19.4
<i>Charters</i>									
5091	CORAL SPRINGS CHART	188	112	59.6%	20.0	19.6	19.6	21.0	19.3
5121	PEMBROKE PINES CHAR	414	224	54.1%	20.2	19.6	20.9	20.4	19.6
5181	PARKWAY ACAD AT BCC	83	59	71.1%	15.1	13.7	16.0	15.9	14.6
5221	SOMERSET ACAD HS	102	66	64.7%	18.6	18.3	18.1	19.5	18.0
5365	LIFE SKILLS	124	56	45.2%	13.6	11.4	14.8	14.1	13.6
6501	DROP BACK IN	220	43	19.5%	13.8	11.6	15.1	14.0	13.8
<i>Virtual</i>									
7004	BROWARD VIRTUAL ED*	39	14	35.9%					

\*Scores are suppressed where *n* tested < 15

ACT comprises only one of the college readiness assessments. Students are also encouraged to participate in the SAT. A detailed longitudinal report of ACT and SAT trends is forthcoming from the Student Assessment department in early September. **If you have any questions regarding this release, please contact Paul Houchens, Director, Student Assessment & School Performance, at (754) 321-4257.**

JWH/KB/PWH:the

cc: Executive Leadership Team