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County sees record-setting rise in grad rate

District soars from 44th to 13th in state ranking

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Graduation rates improved among all five St. Lucie County high schools — one by nearly 20 percentage points — in 2015-16, propelling the school district to one of the best turnarounds across the

state.

At the same time, graduation rates in Indian River County high schools increased by 6 percentage points and Martin County School District maintained some of the top graduation rates in Florida.

Treasure Coast schools also showed

growth and outperformed the state average in graduation rates for minority students.

St. Lucie County's graduation rate last year increased by 11.3 percentage points to 86.8 percent, the highest in district history, according to school officials. That jump was the fourth-highest gain in the state, and bumped St. Lucie County from the 44th-highest graduation rate in 2014-15 to 13th, according to the Florida De-

partment of Education.

Graduation rates in St. Lucie County had been as low as 67.7 percent in 2012-13, according to the Department of Education.

"This is historic for the county," said Superintendent Wayne Gent. "These should be our numbers every year and growing."

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GRAD RATE HITS ALL-TIME HIGH

86.8%

4th Largest
Gain in the
State

Grad Rate Highlights

School	2014-2015 Grad Rate	2015-2016 Grad Rate	Change
Fort Pierce Central High School	80.1%	92.4 %	+12.3%
Fort Pierce Westwood High School	63.8%	83.1%	+19.3%
Lincoln Park Academy	98.6%	96.7 %	-1.9%
Port St. Lucie High School	70.7%	81.4%	+10.7%
St. Lucie West Centennial High School	82.3%	89.2%	+6.9%
Treasure Coast High School	82.7%	91.8%	+9.1%
DISTRICT	75.5%	86.8 %	+11.35%
STATE	77.8%	80.7%	+2.9%

Up 11.35 %



Treasure Coast Grad Rates

LPA	Highest Grad Rate On The Treasure Coast	
FPCHS	92.4%	+ 12.28
TCHS	91.8%	+ 9.10
JBHS	91.8%	- 0.99
VBHS	89.4%	+ 7.79
SLWCHS	89.2%	+ 6.92
SFHS	89.1%	+ 2.89
College Prep	88.9%	
MCHS	88.9%	- 1.33
SRHS	85.3%	+ 4.82
FPWHS	83.1%	+ 19.29
PSLHS	81.4%	+ 10.67



Grad Rate Highlights

14.1% ↑ Black Students

9.8% ↑ Hispanic Students

10.5% ↑ White Students



Grad Rate Highlights

SLPS Ranks First in Gains

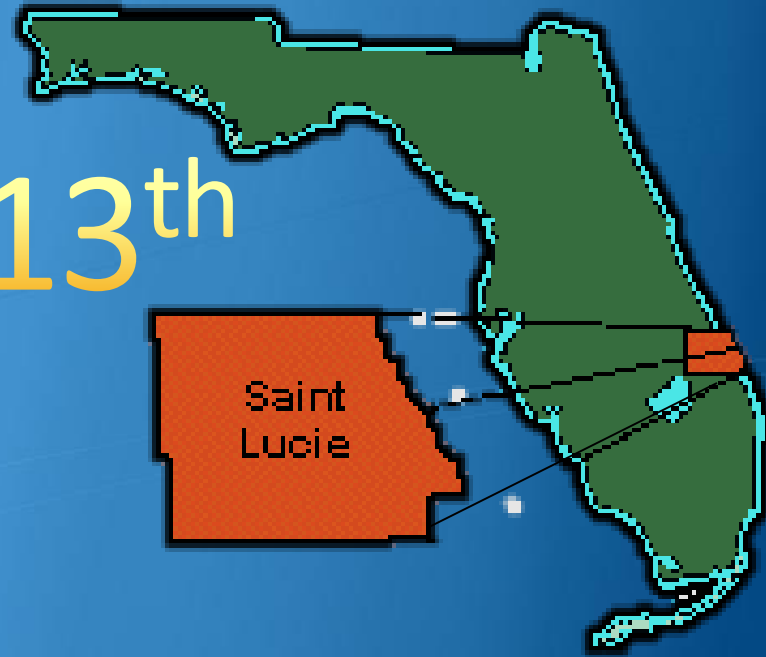
District with 500 Graduates Or More



**First
Place**

Grad Rate Highlights

SLPS Is Ranked 13th
Out of 67 Counties
2015-2016



SLPS Was Ranked 45th the Previous Year
2014-2015



Grad Rate Highlights



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SLPS Ranks 9th in FL
w/ Black Graduation
Rate at 82.4%

That's 10% Higher Than The State Average.



Grad Rate Highlights



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SLPS Ranks 10th in FL
w/ Hispanic Graduation
Rate at 87.7%

That's 8% Higher Than The State Average.



Grad Rate Highlights



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SLPS Ranks 8th in FL
w/ ESE Graduation Rate
at 74.9%

**17.88% Increase Over Previous Year for SLPS
That's 13.3% Higher Than The State Average.*



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