



STRONG SCHOOLS... STRONG COMMUNITIES.

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY'S PROPOSED 1 MILL REFERENDUM



ENHANCE SCHOOL SAFETY

- Maintain a certified law enforcement officer in every school.
- Hire additional police officers and purchase additional safety equipment.
- Hire additional mental health professionals – school counselors, social workers and psychologists – to support the social and emotional well-being of students.

KEEP ARTS & MUSIC EDUCATION

- Continue to fund over 650 Art, Music, PE, Health, Choice and Career education teachers.
- Ensure there are no cuts made to existing teaching staff levels.

IMPROVE TEACHER PAY

- Provide all highly qualified teachers with a retention supplement based upon their years of experience.
 - 1 to 4 years of experience
 - \$1,000 annual retention supplement
 - 5 to 9 years of experience
 - \$5,000 annual retention supplement
 - 10 years of experience or more
 - \$10,000 annual retention supplement

If approved by voters, these supplements will be in place for 4 years (FY20 to FY23) beginning in August of 2019.

Every dollar collected and spent will be overseen by an Independent Referendum Oversight Committee of citizens and experts.

If approved by voters, the levy will automatically expire after four years.

Palm Beach County Schools



An A-rated top performing Florida School District



Highest graduation rate of the large Florida urban districts



Highest ranked urban district in Florida - out scored other large Florida urban districts in math, science and social studies



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COUNTYWIDE SCHOOL QUESTION

Shall the School Board of Palm Beach County have authority to levy 1.00 mills of ad valorem millage dedicated for operational needs of non-charter District schools to fund school safety equipment, hire additional school police and mental health professionals, fund arts, music, physical education, career and choice program teachers, and improve teacher pay beginning July 1, 2019 and automatically ending June 30, 2023, with oversight by the independent committee of citizens and experts?

HIGHEST RATED URBAN DISTRICT IN FLORIDA


THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY 'A' RATED

WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER LARGE DISTRICTS IN FLORIDA, THE DISTRICT DEMONSTRATED **HIGHER PERFORMANCE OVERALL** IN 4 OF THE 11 COMPONENTS INCLUDING

- ✓ MATH ACHIEVEMENT
- ✓ SCIENCE ACHIEVEMENT
- ✓ MATH LEARNING GAINS FOR ALL STUDENTS
- ✓ HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE


HIGHEST GRADUATION RATE AMONG FLORIDA'S LARGE URBAN DISTRICTS

90% GRADUATION RATE
DISTRICT OPERATED SCHOOLS
2016-2017




CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP

BLACK GRADUATION RATE	79.1%	▲ 5.4%
HISPANIC GRADUATION RATE	82.9%	▲ 3.4%
WHITE GRADUATION RATE	90.9%	▲ 0.2%



AWARD WINNING CAREER AND CHOICE PROGRAMS WITH MORE STUDENTS EARNING INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS THAN ANY LARGE URBAN DISTRICT IN FLORIDA

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS (IC)	
IC EXAMS TAKEN	17,617
IC EXAMS PASSED	13,185
IC PASSING RATE	75%



A leader in best practices for government budgeting and reporting:

The District receives numerous awards for its financial practices each year, including the *Award of Financial Reporting Achievement* from the Government Finance Officers Association (2004-17), the *Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting* from the Association of School Business Officials International, the *Government Finance Officers Distinguished Budget Presentation Award* (2004-17), the *Government Finance Officers Association Award for Best Practices in School Budgeting* for FY 2017-18 and the Association of School Business Officials *Meritorious Award for excellence in the preparation and issuance of the FY2017-18 budget*. All highly regarded awards in school finance.