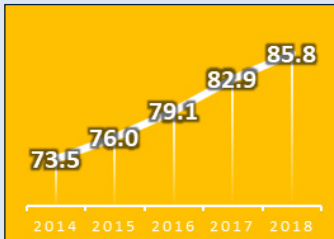


# Another record-setting year for Hillsborough's students

District set **all-time** graduation rate record



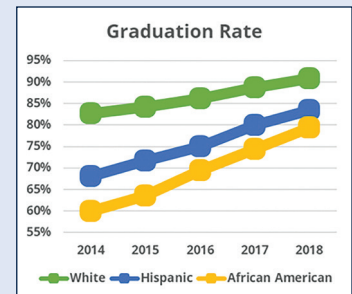
Increased grad rate equals a \$1 billion economic impact since 2015

Hillsborough ranks **at the top** of 27 large districts across America



4th and 8th graders tied for 1st place in reading and 2nd place in math

Achievement gaps **continue to close**



Grad rates for minority, exceptional and English learner students are rising faster than the overall rate

## State, National and International Awards



## Nationwide leader in STEM learning

Science, Technology, Engineering & Math education



## State and national leader in workforce and career training

- Students earned a district record **7,000+ industry certifications** in IT, welding & more
- **1,200+ apprenticeships** put students in real-world jobs, building Tampa Bay's skylines
- USF Health, AdventHealth & Moffitt Cancer Center **partner with medical magnet schools**
- Home to 4 technical colleges, 65 Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs & 206 middle and high school Career and Professional Education (CAPE) Academies

230+ Schools, 24,000+ Educators, 219,000+ Students  
**One Vision: Preparing Students for Life**

# Did you know?

## LITERACY

- 5+ winners of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, recognized at Carnegie Hall
- 75% of 1st graders who complete a full series of lessons in the Reading Recovery program reach grade-level proficiency in 12 to 20 weeks, with first year Reading Recovery students growing an average of 11.5 text levels
- More than a dozen of our schools are “Leader in Me” schools—based on Stephen Covey’s *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*
- Out of our 50 high-needs Achievement Schools, 18 improved a letter grade and another 12 maintained a “C” grade or higher

## STEM

- 120 elementary schools competed to solve the most challenging math problems in the Math Bowl
- 450 students competed in the middle school Math League competition
- 600 students competed in the high school Math Bowl and regional competitions
- 1,700 students participated in Hillsborough Robotics grades 4-5 with LEGO, WeDo and Mindstorms
- More than 100 elementary schools trained in Computer Science fundamentals
- 1,500 K-8 students participated in NASA’s Student Spaceflight Experiments Program (SSEP) and Mission Patch

## SOCIAL STUDIES

- 13,000 4th and 5th grade students participated in the annual 4-H Tropicana Public Speaking program
- 4,000+ high school students participated in the personal financial literacy program
- 30 middle school students competed in the National History Day competition
- 96 students from 16 schools competed in the 5th grade Economics Quiz Bowl

## ADVANCED ACADEMICS

- In 2019, our 3 collegiate academies graduated 166 students with Associate of Arts degrees; Hillsborough is adding a 4th collegiate academy in 2019-2020
- 27 high schools offer AP classes and free SAT for all students
- Recently, at Strawberry Crest High School, 100% of its IB seniors passed the challenging IB exam
- All our IB high schools had a passing rate of 82% or higher; the national average is 66%

## ART AND MUSIC

- 2019 Best Communities for Music Education Recipient
- Since 2014, more than 50 students have received American Ballet Theater certifications for Level 4 of the National Training Curriculum

- 175+ students showcased at Tampa Riverfest
- 2,500+ student artists showcased in local and national exhibitions

## WORLD LANGUAGE

- 500+ students enrolled in elementary and middle school dual language programs
- 1,832 seniors received the gold Florida Seal of Biliteracy
- 2,501 seniors received the silver Florida Seal of Biliteracy
- Offerings in seven languages: American Sign Language, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Latin and Spanish

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HEALTH AND DANCE

- Jr. Bucs Fitness Challenge infuses football skills and drills in current physical education curriculum throughout Hillsborough and Pinellas County Public Schools
- The First Tee Golf Programs Core Values training with golf skills infused at elementary and middle schools
- Student dancers received scholarships and awards from Tampa Bay Businesses for Culture & the Arts
- BayCare St. Joseph’s Children’s Wellness and Safety Center Bike and Pedestrian programs for elementary and middle schools

## MILITARY PARTNERSHIPS

- Nationwide Pete Taylor Award for the strongest school district / military partnership in America
- Eve Glenn of Robinson High School honored with National Military Child of the Year Award
- Project SALUTE partnership with Department of Defense focuses support at on-base Tinker K-8 School
- 27 JROTC units in high schools and career centers place us among Florida’s leaders

## 2018 EDUCATION REFERENDUM

- Hillsborough County residents voted and approved a half-penny sales tax, which will create more than \$1.3 billion in construction and renovation spending, boosting our local economy—addressing essential district needs including air conditioning, aging roofs, classroom technology and safety & security improvements
- As of August 2019, payments and commitments to vendors working on referendum projects have generated an economic impact of \$108 million
- 7 out of every 8 dollars spent on referendum projects have gone to Tampa Bay area companies

## SAFETY

- Hillsborough was the first large district to be fully compliant with every part of Florida’s new School Safety law
- Hillsborough is adding a new cutting-edge security system that empowers employees at all district-operated schools; using an ID badge, any employee will be able to call for help or initiate a school-wide lockdown if needed