



Florida Best & Brightest Scholarship ACT Information on ACT Percentile Rank

In light of the recent Florida legislation related to Florida teacher scores on The ACT, in order to determine whether a Florida teacher scored “at or above the 80th percentile on The ACT based upon the percentile ranks in effect when the teacher took the assessment”, please refer to the following summary.

1. The best evidence is the original student score report received by the teacher
2. If a teacher needs a replacement score report,
 - a. Those can be ordered either by contacting ACT Student Services at 319.337.1270 or by using the 2014-2015 ACT **Additional Score Report (ASR)** Request Form at <http://www.actstudent.org/pdf/asrform.pdf> . Reports for testing that occurred prior to September 2012 have a fee of \$34.00 for normal processing and can be requested back to 1966.
 - b. The percentile ranks provided on ASRs reflect current year norms, not the norms in effect at the time of testing.
 - c. The following are the minimum composite scores that were “at or above the 80th percentile” at the time of testing based upon the best available historical norm information from ACT, Inc.’s archives. For the following test date ranges:
 - September, 2011 through August, 2015 : 26
 - September, 1993 through August, 2011 : 25
 - September, 1991 through August, 1993 : 24
 - September, 1990 through August, 1991 : 25
 - September, 1989 through August, 1990 : 24
 - September, 1985 through August, 1989 : 25
 - September, 1976 through August, 1985 : 24
 - September, 1973 through August, 1976 : 25
 - September, 1971 through August, 1973 : 24
 - September, 1970 through August, 1971 : 25
 - September, 1969 through August, 1970 : 24
 - September, 1968 through August, 1969 : *
 - September, 1966 through August, 1968 : 25

*ACT, Inc. cannot verify the Composite score which corresponds to the 80th percentile for this period from archival materials. If a three-year norm were used for 1968-69 an ACT Composite score of 24 could be applied.

For Score Report Requests: Go to www.actstudent.org/pdf/asrform.pdf or call (319) 337-1270

For questions about this information sheet: Contact Cari Lousch – cari.lousch@act.org

ACT Codes For Florida School Districts

District	Code	District	Code
Alachua County Public Schools	8825	Liberty County School District	8896
Baker County School District	8826	District School Board of Madison County	8898
Bay District Schools	8827	Manatee County Public Schools	8899
Bradford County School District	8829	Marion County Public Schools	8900
Brevard Public Schools	8831	Martin County School District	8902
Broward County Public Schools	8833	Monroe County School District	8904
Calhoun County School District	8834	Nassau County School District	8905
Charlotte County Public Schools	8835	Okaloosa County School District	8907
Citrus County Schools	8836	Okeechobee County School District	8908
Clay County Schools	8837	Orange County Public Schools	8909
Collier County Public Schools	8838	School District of Osceola County	8910
Columbia County School District	8839	Palm Beach County Schools	8911
Miami-Dade County Public Schools	8841	Pasco County Schools	8914
School District of DeSoto County	8844	Pinellas County Schools	8915
Dixie District Schools	8845	Polk County Public Schools	8916
Duval County Public Schools	8849	Putnam County School District	8917
Escambia County School District	8850	Santa Rosa County School District	8918
Flagler Schools	8851	Sarasota County Schools	8919
Franklin County District Schools	8853	Seminole County Public Schools	8921
Gadsden County Schools	8854	St. Johns County School District	8925
Gilchrist County School District	8855	St. Lucie Public Schools	8926
Glades County School District	8856	Sumter County School District	8930
Gulf District Schools	8857	Suwannee County Schools	8931
School District of Hamilton County	8858	Taylor County School District	8932
School District of Hardee County	8860	Union County School District	8935
Hendry County District Schools	8863	Volusia County Schools	8937
Hernando County School District	8865	Wakulla County Schools	8939
School Board of Highlands County	8867	Walton County School District	8941
Hillsborough County Public Schools	8869	Washington County School District	8942
Holmes District School Board	8872		
School District of Indian River County	8876		
Jackson County School Board	8879	FAMU Lab School	8943
Jefferson County School District	8883	FAU Lab School	8944
Lafayette District Schools	8884	FSU Lab School	8949
Lake County Schools	8886	Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind	8950
School District of Lee County	8889	Florida Virtual School	8951
Leon County Schools	8890	UF Lab School	8952
School Board of Levy County	8892		

SAT[®] Score Percentile Information for Florida's Best and Brightest Scholarship

As requested by the State of Florida, the following information can be used to determine the SAT scores that were at or above the 80th percentile based on the rank in effect when the assessment was taken.¹

- Teachers can order archived score reports by calling (866) 756-7346 or by filling out and mailing the form found at <https://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/send-old-sat-scores>. Archived score reports cost \$31.
- Teachers can send a copy of the score report directly to their district for an additional \$11.25 by providing the district's name and mailing address when ordering.
- Teachers who took the SAT more than once will receive all of the available score reports as part of their order.
- Archived score report requests take up to 5 weeks to process. Rush orders may be placed for additional fees.
- Teachers who tested prior to October 1973 should use the scores for 1973.
- Questions? Please call (866) 756-7346 Monday through Friday from 8am to 9pm EST, or visit <https://sat.collegeboard.org/contact> to send an email.

Administration Dates	Verbal/Critical Reading	Math
October 1973 - June 1975	550	590
October 1975 - June 1976	540	590
October 1976 - June 1978	540	580
October 1978 - June 1979	530	590
October 1979 - June 1981	530	580
October 1981 - June 1982	520	580
October 1982 - June 1984	530	580
October 1984 - June 1985	520	580
October 1985 - June 1986	530	580
October 1986 - June 1991	530	590
October 1991 - June 1993	520	590
October 1993 - June 1994	530	600
October 1994 - March 1995	520	610
April 1995 - June 1995	600	610
October 1995 - June 1997	610	610
October 1997 - June 2003	610	620
October 2003 - June 2007	610	630
October 2007 - June 2009	610	620
October 2009 - June 2010	610	630
October 2010 - June 2013	600	620
October 2013 - June 2015	600	630

¹ This information is based on available SAT archives.

1012.731 The Florida Best and Brightest Teacher Scholarship Program

The Legislature recognizes that, second only to parents, teachers play the most critical role within schools in preparing students to achieve a high level of academic performance. The Legislature further recognizes that research has linked student outcomes to a teacher's own academic achievement. Therefore, it is the intent of the Legislature to designate teachers who have achieved high academic standards during their own education as Florida's best and brightest teacher scholars.

There is created the Florida Best and Brightest Teacher Scholarship Program to be administered by the Department of Education. During the 2016-2017 school year, the scholarship program shall provide categorical funding for scholarships to be awarded to teachers who have demonstrated a high level of academic achievement.

To be eligible for a scholarship, a teacher:

1. Must have scored at or above the 80th percentile on either the SAT or the ACT based upon the percentile ranks in effect when the teacher took the assessment and have been evaluated as highly effective pursuant to s. 1012.34; or
 2. If the teacher is a first-year teacher who has not been evaluated pursuant to s. 1012.34, must have scored at or above the 80th percentile on either the SAT or the ACT based upon the percentile ranks in effect when the teacher took the assessment.
- In order to demonstrate eligibility for an award, an eligible teacher must submit to the school district, no later than **November 1st**, an official record of his or her SAT or ACT score demonstrating that the teacher scored at or above the 80th percentile based upon the percentile ranks in effect when the teacher took the assessment. Once a teacher is deemed eligible by the school district, the teacher shall remain eligible as long as he or she is employed by the school district and maintains or, if the teacher is a first-year teacher, earns the evaluation designation of highly effective pursuant to s. 1012.34.

Annually, by **December 1**, each school district shall submit to the department the number of eligible teachers who qualify for the scholarship.

Annually, by **February 1**, the department shall disburse scholarship funds, in an amount prescribed annually by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act, to each school district for each eligible teacher to receive a scholarship. If the number of eligible teachers exceeds the total appropriation authorized in the General Appropriation Act, the department shall prorate the per teacher scholarship amount.

Annually, by **April 1**, each school district shall provide payment of the scholarship to each eligible teacher. This act shall take effect **July 1, 2015**.

How does a teacher receive a Best and Brightest Scholarship Award?

A teacher must:

- Have scored **at or above the 80th percentile on either the SAT or the ACT**, based on when the teacher took the test, and have been evaluated as **Highly Effective**. Beginning teachers with supporting test scores can also apply for the scholarship without an end of the year evaluation.
- Submit to the school district an official record of his or her SAT or ACT score, no later than **November 1, 2016**.

The district must:

- Submit to the Florida Department of Education the number of eligible teachers, no later than **December 1, 2016**.
- Receive funding from the Florida Department of Education, no later than **February 1, 2017**.
- Distribute the money to eligible teachers, no later than **April 1, 2017**.

Where do Teachers submit paperwork if they meet the above criteria?

- All paperwork must be submitted to the Staff Services Office on or before **November 1, 2016**.
- Incomplete paperwork will be returned to the employee and will not be submitted to the State.

All submitted paperwork will be review by the Management Team to determine eligibility. Employees will be notified if submitted paperwork meets the criteria for final submission to the State by **February 1, 2017**.

If you have additional questions, please contact Deborah Decubellis in the Department of Staff Services at (386) 329-0547.

Florida's Best and Brightest Teacher Scholarship Form / Application
Putnam County
2016-2017

Teacher's Name: _____

Date: _____

School: _____

Final Evaluation Rating 2015-2016 School Year:

Instructional Practice Score: _____

Student Performance Data Score: _____

Final Overall Score: _____

***If you are a beginning teacher who has never been evaluated, please submit your ACT or SAT scores with supporting documentation with your rank status.

ACT Scores _____ (Official forms must be attached)

SAT Scores _____ (Official forms must be attached)

Employee Signature

Date Submitted

Administrator Signature

Date Submitted

Staff Services Representative

Date Received in Staff Services

Review by Management Team

Approved (Criteria Met)

Not Approved (Criteria Not Met)

Date Reviewed by the Management Team

Date Submitted to DOE