



**Florida Department of Education Releases 2024 High School Graduation Rates  
January 13, 2025**

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) released high school graduation rates for the Class of 2024 on January 9, 2025. The graduation rate for the State of Florida is 89.7%. **Collier County Public Schools (CCPS) proudly announces our 2024 graduation rate is 91.3%, outperforming the state by 1.6 percentage points.** This continued success demonstrates the District’s successful efforts to provide high quality instruction that meets the needs of all CCPS students.

**Table 1. 2024 District and State Comparison**

Four -Year Federal Graduation Rate	SY22	SY23	SY24
DISTRICT	91.5	91.5	91.3
STATE	87.3	88.0	89.7

Additionally, CCPS has the highest graduation rate in the six-county Southwest Florida (SWFL) region, 3.5 percentage points higher than the nearest performing SWFL district.

**Table 2. 2024 SWFL District Comparison**

District Name	Total Graduates	Total Cohort	Total Federal Graduation Rate
CHARLOTTE	1,307	1,502	87
COLLIER	3,534	3,869	91.3
DESOTO	244	315	77.5
GLADES	65	74	87.8
HENDRY	915	1,135	80.6
LEE	6,385	7,438	85.8

The FDOE also reports graduation rates for student subgroups as detailed in Table 3.

**Table 3. 2024 Graduation Rate by Subgroup**

	All	SWD	Free/ Reduced Lunch	ELL	Migrant	At- Risk	Male	Female	White	Black	Hispanic
CCPS	91.3	90	88.1	75.6	84	--	89.5	93.3	94.6	91.9	89.2
STATE	89.7	86.8	86.2	80.7	83.9	46	87.9	91.6	92.4	85.3	89

The graduation cohort is comprised of students who started 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2020 and completed all requirements by July 31, 2024. Of the 3869 students in the 2024 Cohort, 335 of them did not finish within that timeframe. It is important to note students may remain enrolled in school to complete any courses or pass any assessments needed and have, or will, finish during this school year. Non-graduates include students who: 1) may have been retained as they have not completed all of their requirements and are still in school, 2) received Certificates of Completion, 3) received a GED from the State of Florida, or 4) are continuing their education in adult education programs.

*“I am so proud of the Class of 2024 for their perseverance and commitment to reaching this important milestone. This achievement would not have been possible without the unwavering support and expertise of our teachers, administrators, and staff at every level—from elementary school through high school—who work tirelessly to ensure all students succeed. As we celebrate this success, we remain focused on identifying and supporting students who need additional assistance to meet graduation requirements. Our goal is to continue providing every student with the tools and opportunities they need to graduate and pursue their dreams.” - Dr. Leslie C. Ricciardelli, Superintendent*