



**2025 GRADUATION RATE BRIEF
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The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) released high school graduation rates for the Class of 2025 on January 13, 2026. The graduation rate for the State of Florida is 92.2%. **Collier County Public Schools (CCPS) proudly announces our 2025 graduation rate is 94.4%, outperforming the State average by 2.2 percentage points.** Out of 67 school districts in Florida, the CCPS Class of 2025 ranks 13th for graduation rate. This marks a significant increase from the rank of 25th for the Class of 2024. This level of achievement reflects the successful efforts to provide high-quality instruction and consistent monitoring and support to meet the needs of all students.

**Table 1
2025 District and State Comparison**

Four-Year Federal Graduation Rate	SY22	SY23	SY24	SY25
COLLIER	91.5%	91.5%	91.3%	94.4%
STATE	87.3%	88.0%	89.7%	92.2%

As evidenced in Table 2 below, CCPS has the highest graduation rate in the six-county Southwest Florida (SWFL) region. With more than 94% of CCPS students graduating in four years, this feat represents the highest 4-year graduation rate in the history of Collier County.

**Table 2
2025 SWFL District Comparison**

District Name	Total Graduates	Total Cohort	Total Federal Graduation Rate
CHARLOTTE	1358	1482	91.6%
COLLIER	3609	3822	94.4%
DESOTO	246	316	77.8%
GLADES	80	89	89.9%
HENDRY	949	1158	82%
LEE	6978	7771	89.8%

The FDOE also reports graduation rates for student subgroups.

**Table 3
2025 Graduation Rate by Subgroup**

	SWD	FRL	ELL	Migrant	Male	Female	White	Black	Hispanic
COLLIER	94.3%	93%	83.3%	83.8%	92.6%	96.2%	97.6%	97.9%	91.5%
STATE	89.1%	89.5%	86.3%	84.9%	90.7%	93.7%	94%	89.2%	91.6%

SWD - Students with Disabilities

FRL - Free/Reduced Lunch

ELL - English Language Learner

The graduation cohort is comprised of students who began Grade 9 in the fall of 2021 and completed all graduation requirements by July 31, 2025. Of the 3,822 students in the Class of 2025 cohort, 213 did not complete the requirements within that timeframe. It is important to note that students may remain enrolled to complete required coursework or assessments and may have finished, or will finish, during the current school year.

Non-graduates include students who:

- have not yet completed all graduation requirements and remain enrolled in CCPS;
- earned a General Equivalency Diploma (GED) through the State of Florida; or
- are continuing their education through adult education programs.

“I am incredibly proud of the Class of 2025 for their resilience and dedication in reaching this significant milestone. Their success reflects not only their own hard work, but also the consistent guidance, expertise, and commitment of our teachers, administrators, and staff at every stage of a student’s journey from elementary through high school. As we recognize this accomplishment, we remain committed to closely monitoring and supporting students who still need additional help to meet graduation requirements. Our continued focus is ensuring that every student has access to the resources, support, and opportunities necessary to graduate and move confidently toward their future goals. With CCPS achieving the highest graduation rate in the six-county Southwest Florida region, and more than 94 percent of students graduating in four years, this record-breaking success further demonstrates why our community can trust Collier County Public Schools to deliver exceptional results.” ~ Dr. Leslie C. Ricciardelli