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2026-27 Data Report



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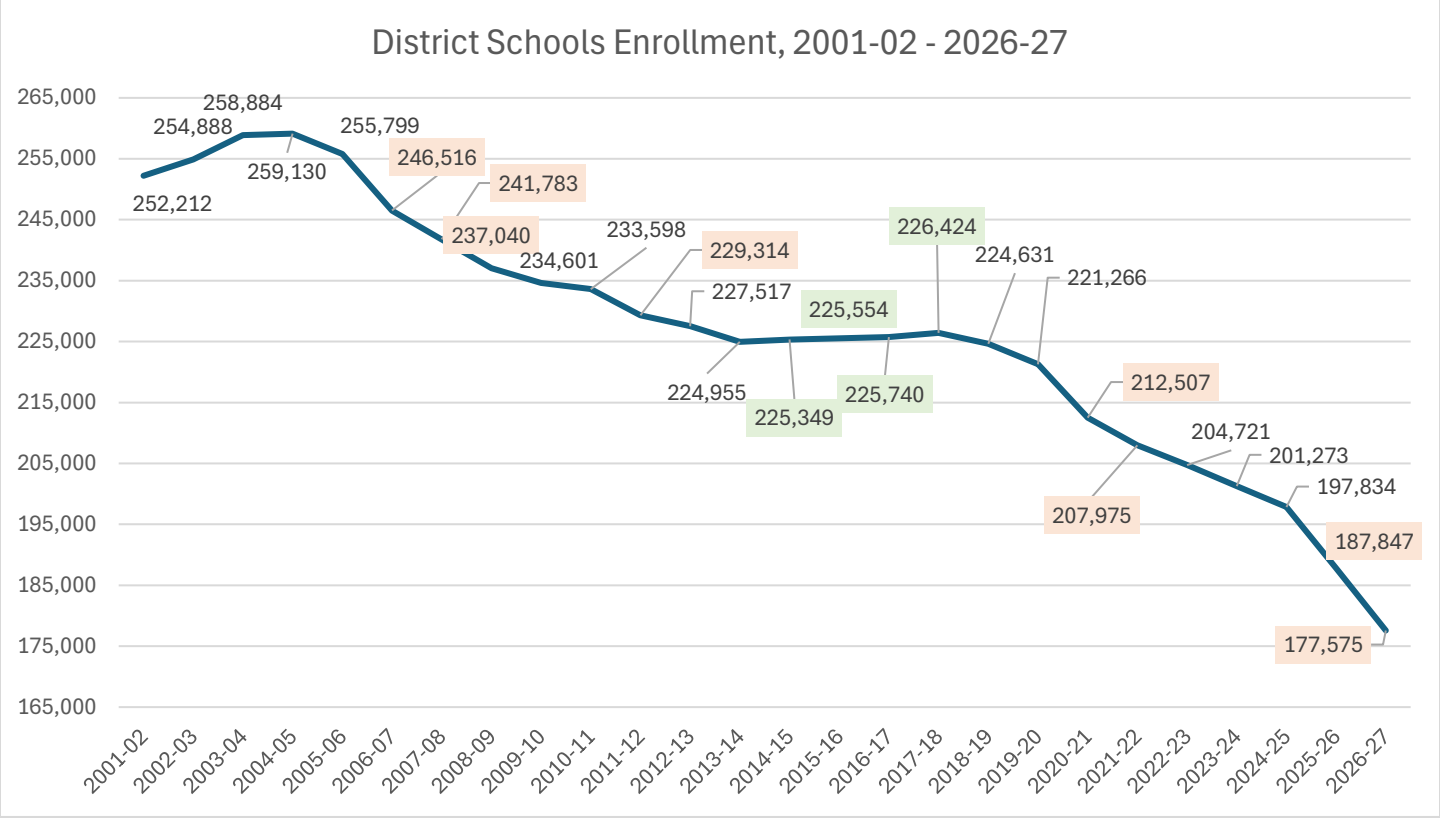
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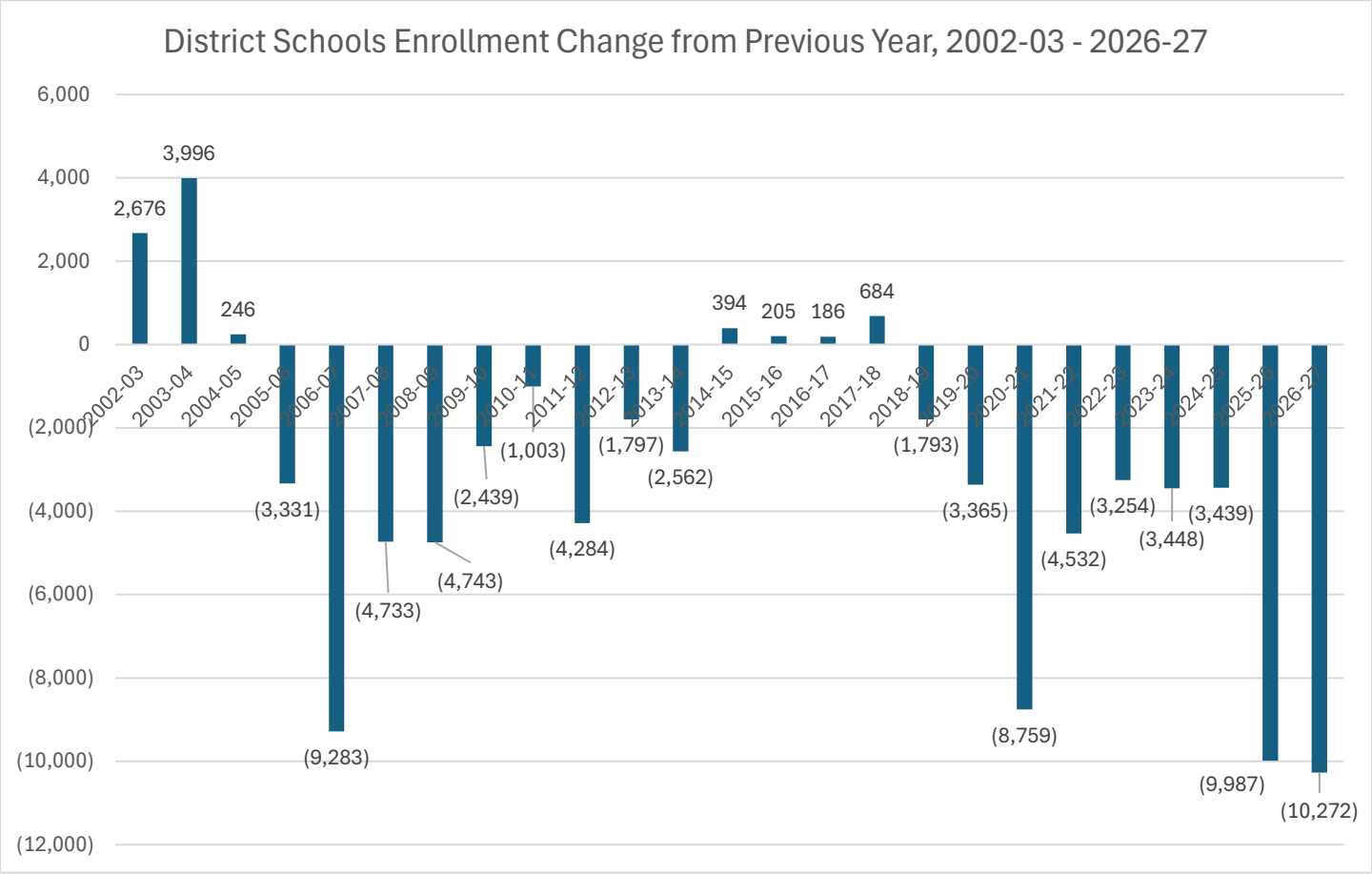
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1. Enrollment Change

Enrollment in Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) District-managed traditional and center schools has been steadily declining from the all-time high enrollment of 259,130 students in the 2004-05 school year to the 2026-27 enrollment of 177,575 students. The total drop from 2004-05 to 2026-27 has been 81,555 students, or -31.5%. Eight individual years in this time period saw drops of over 4,000 students, with 2026-27 (-10,272) and 2025-26 (-9,987) having the greatest single-year decreases. The line graph below shows enrollment from 2001-02 through 2026-27, with years declining over 4,000 students highlighted in orange, and those years where enrollment increased from the previous year highlighted in green. The accompanying bar graph illustrates the actual decrease in enrollment for each year from the previous year, from 2002-03 to 2026-27.

The recent consecutive enrollment drops on the order of 10,000 students from 2024-25 to 2025-26 and from 2025-26 to 2026-27 resulting from a combination of social, economic, political, and population factors that may be expected to continue impacting enrollment in the coming years. It is expected that enrollment in BCPS District schools will decrease to the 150,000 students range or lower within the next five years.





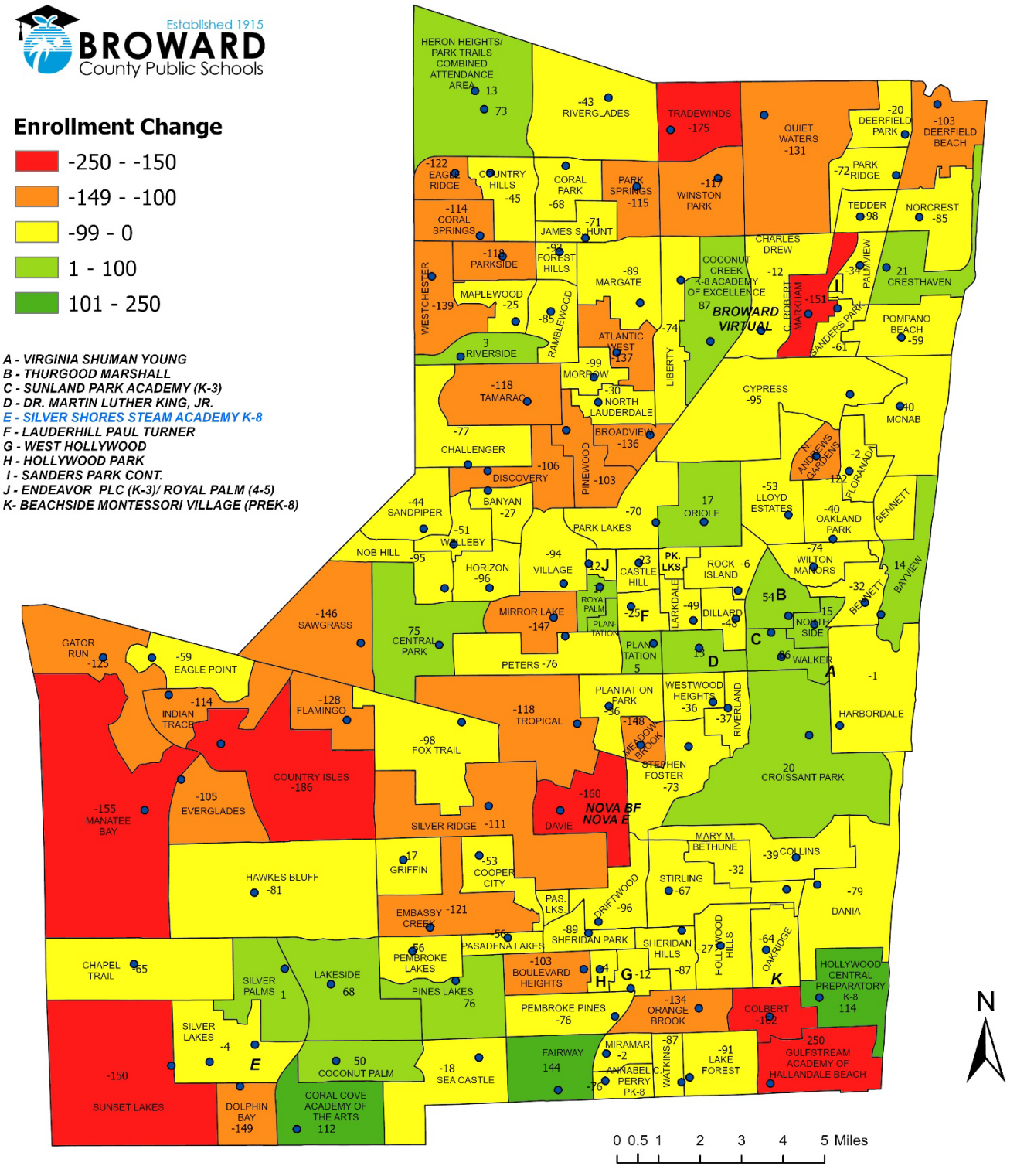
The loss of enrollment, which has been particularly pronounced in the years following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, has been evenly distributed across Broward County. Particularly 2020-21, 2025-26, and 2026-27, enrollment loss was severe and widespread.

The following two sets of maps show enrollment loss by level from 2024-25 to 2026-27, and from 2025-26 to 2026-27.

Map orientation: lines represent school boundaries, and dots represent school locations.

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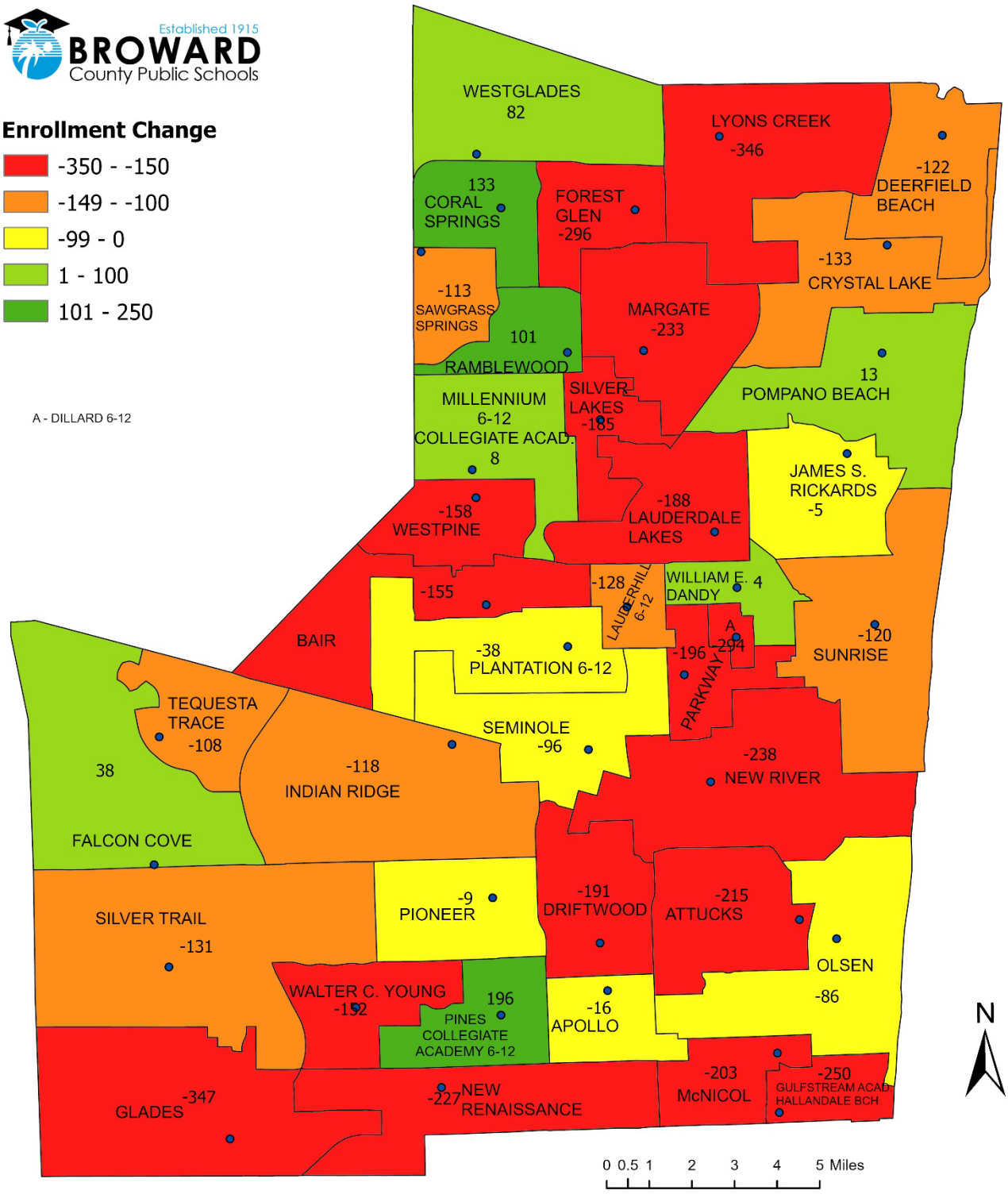


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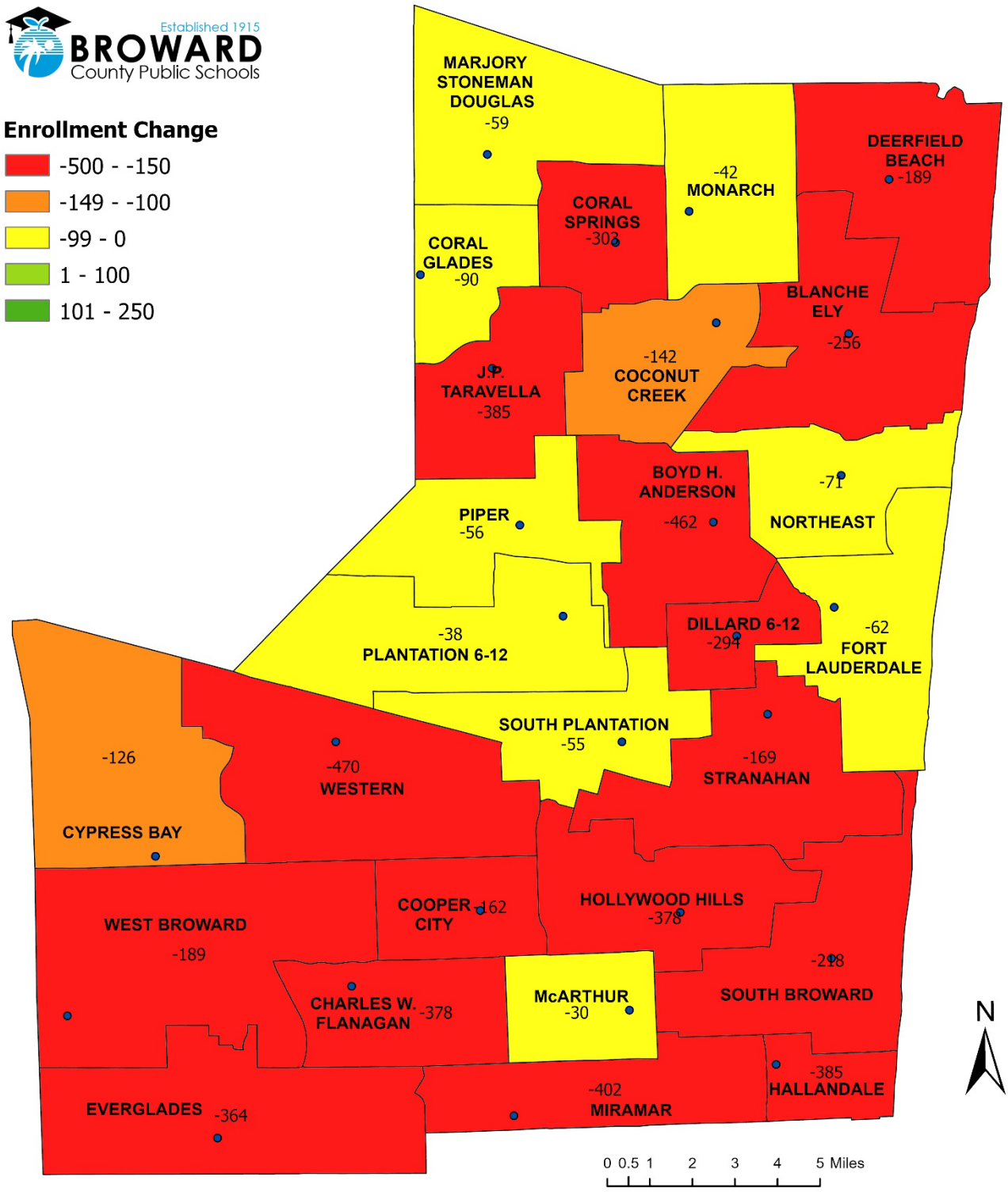


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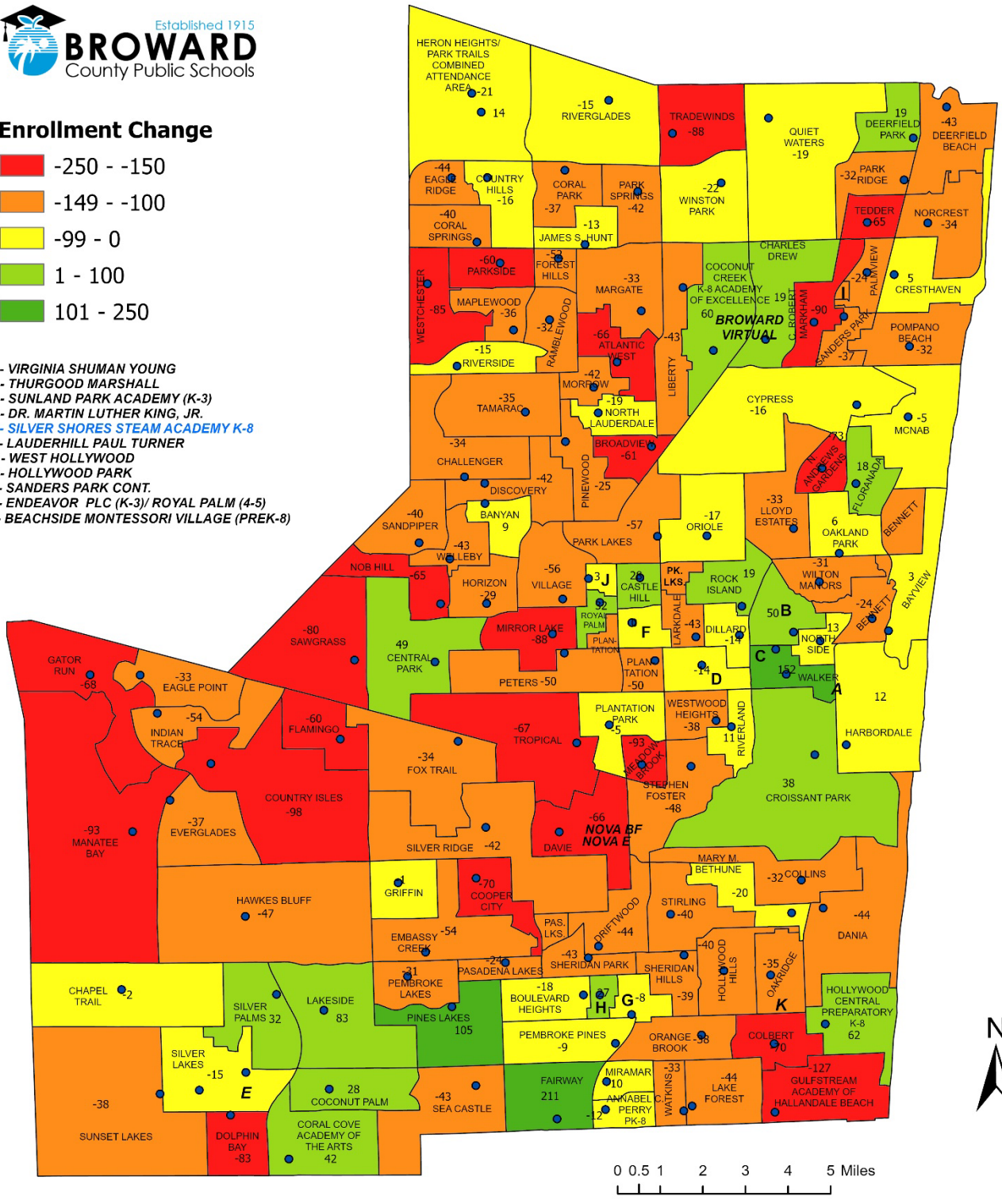
Enrollment Change, 2025-26 to 2026-27
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Enrollment Change

- -250 - -150
- -149 - -100
- -99 - 0
- 1 - 100
- 101 - 250

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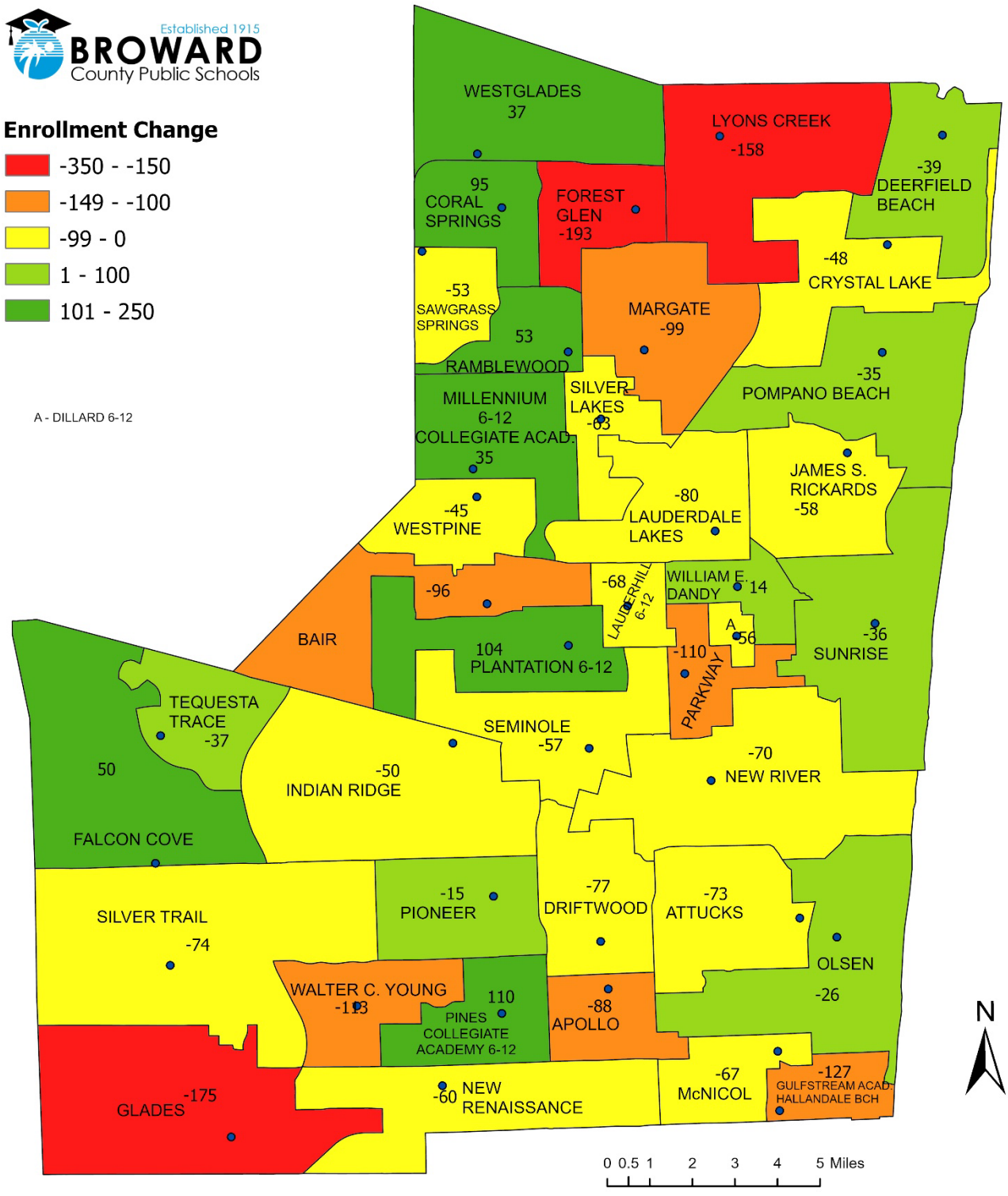


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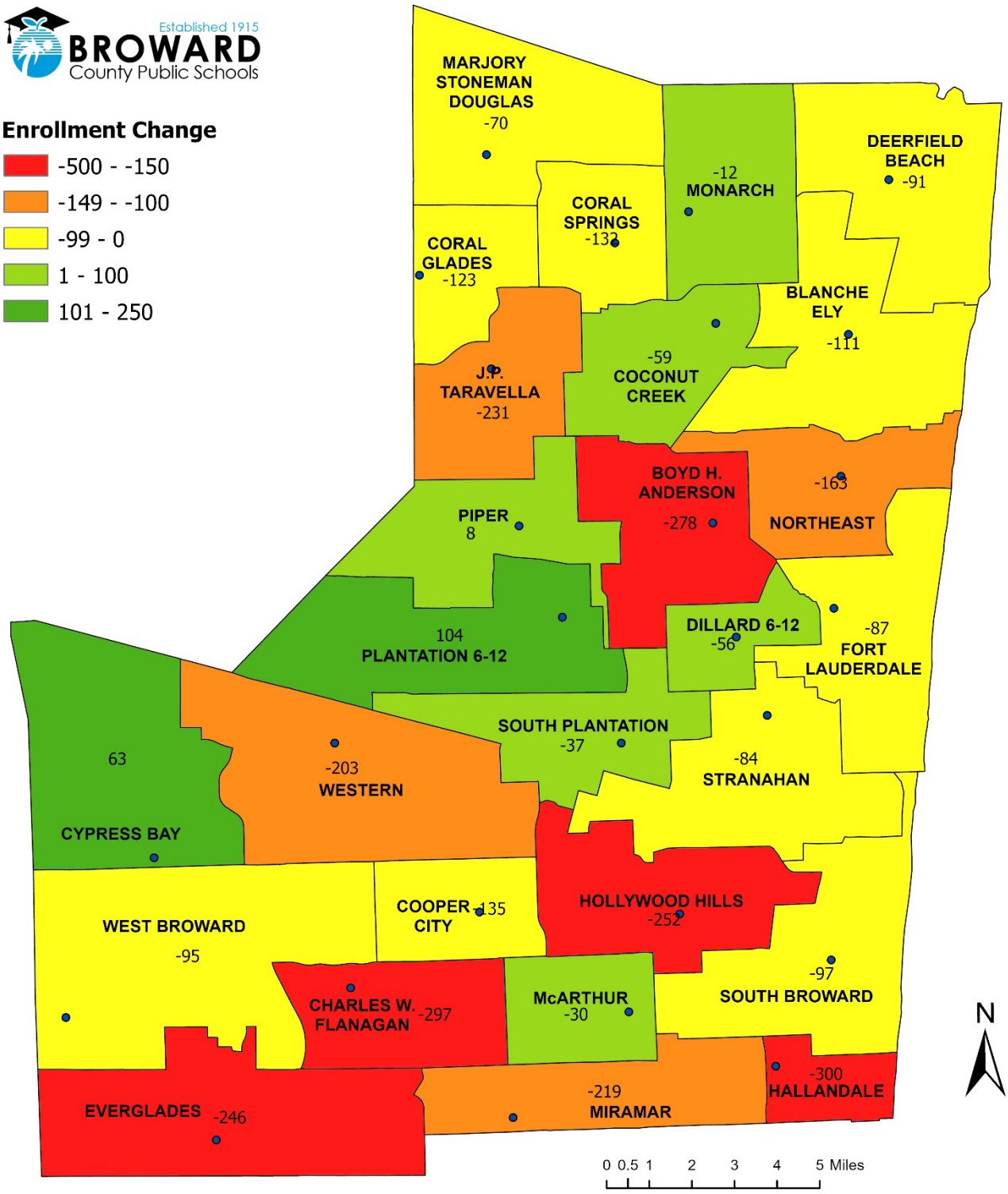


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2. School Capacity Utilization

The loss of 81,555 students that has occurred since 2004-05 has created a corresponding surplus in student stations districtwide, with many facilities operating well below optimal utilization levels. In the 2026-27 school year, BCPS schools are enrolled at 61,761 seats below total permanent building capacity, which translates to a utilization rate of 74.7%, or a student-to-seat ratio of roughly 1:1.35.

In 2026-27, 90 facilities are operating below the School Board policy-defined threshold of under-enrollment as permanent capacity utilization below 70 percent. The number of under-enrolled schools represent 44.1% of the District's traditional (not including center schools or schools without building capacity) school portfolio of 204 schools.

Within this list of schools that meet the definition of under-enrollment, there is a subset of schools that are operating considerably below this threshold. In 2026-27, there are 25 schools that are utilizing less than 50 percent of their permanent building capacity, including ten elementary schools, 11 middle schools, two high schools, and two combination schools.

Schools Enrolled Below 70% Permanent Capacity Utilization (Under-Enrolled), 2026-27

	School	Benchmark Enrollment 2026-27	Permanent Capacity	% Utilization Permanent Capacity	Over/ (Under) Permanent Capacity	City	SBMD
1	Atlantic West Elementary	477	759	62.8%	(282)	MARGATE	7
2	Banyan Elementary	397	571	69.5%	(174)	SUNRISE	5
3	Bennett Elementary	256	470	54.5%	(214)	FORT LAUDERDALE	3
4	Boulevard Heights Elementary	485	812	59.7%	(327)	HOLLYWOOD	1
5	Broadview Elementary	545	872	62.5%	(327)	NORTH LAUDERDALE	4
6	Chapel Trail Elementary	539	838	64.3%	(299)	PEMBROKE PINES	2
7	Charles Drew Elementary	412	631	65.3%	(219)	POMPANO BEACH	7
8	Coconut Palm Elementary	554	820	67.6%	(266)	MIRAMAR	2
9	Colbert Elementary	472	812	58.1%	(340)	HOLLYWOOD	1
10	Coral Park Elementary	398	615	64.7%	(217)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
11	Coral Springs Elementary	297	871	34.1%	(574)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
12	Country Isles Elementary	579	980	59.1%	(401)	WESTON	6
13	Dania Elementary	382	569	67.1%	(187)	DANIA BEACH	1
14	Deerfield Park Elementary	425	751	56.6%	(326)	DEERFIELD BEACH	7
15	Dolphin Bay Elementary	397	830	47.8%	(433)	MIRAMAR	2
16	Driftwood Elementary	366	558	65.6%	(192)	HOLLYWOOD	1
17	Everglades Elementary	735	1,060	69.3%	(325)	WESTON	6
18	Hollywood Park Elementary	400	593	67.5%	(193)	HOLLYWOOD	1
19	Horizon Elementary	451	663	68.0%	(212)	SUNRISE	5
20	James S. Hunt Elementary	419	841	49.8%	(422)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
21	Lake Forest Elementary	491	732	67.1%	(241)	PEMBROKE PARK	1
22	Larkdale Elementary	381	623	61.2%	(242)	LAUDERHILL	5
23	Lauderhill Paul Turner Elementary	590	872	67.7%	(282)	LAUDERHILL	5
24	Liberty Elementary	603	1,260	47.9%	(657)	MARGATE	7
25	Lloyd Estates Elementary	356	593	60.0%	(237)	OAKLAND PARK	3
26	Mary M. Bethune Elementary	366	694	52.7%	(328)	HOLLYWOOD	1
27	Miramar Elementary	408	929	43.9%	(521)	MIRAMAR	1
28	Morrow Elementary	459	831	55.2%	(372)	NORTH LAUDERDALE	4
29	Norcrest Elementary	597	921	64.8%	(324)	POMPANO BEACH	7
30	North Lauderdale Elementary	638	930	68.6%	(292)	NORTH LAUDERDALE	4
31	North Side Elementary	306	608	50.3%	(302)	FORT LAUDERDALE	3
32	Oakland Park Elementary	517	840	61.5%	(323)	OAKLAND PARK	3
33	Oakridge Elementary	373	605	61.7%	(232)	HOLLYWOOD	1
34	Orange Brook Elementary	571	830	68.8%	(259)	HOLLYWOOD	1
35	Park Springs Elementary	684	1,189	57.5%	(505)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
36	Parkside Elementary	595	980	60.7%	(385)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
37	Pines Lakes Elementary	503	837	60.1%	(334)	PEMBROKE PINES	2
38	Ramblewood Elementary	572	913	62.7%	(341)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
39	Sanders Park Elementary	380	625	60.8%	(245)	POMPANO BEACH	7
40	Sandpiper Elementary	569	909	62.6%	(340)	SUNRISE	6
41	Sawgrass Elementary	719	1,040	69.1%	(321)	SUNRISE	6
42	Sheridan Hills Elementary	322	607	53.0%	(285)	HOLLYWOOD	1
43	Sheridan Park Elementary	388	810	47.9%	(422)	HOLLYWOOD	1

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	School	Benchmark Enrollment 2026-27	Permanent Capacity	% Utilization Permanent Capacity	Over/ (Under) Permanent Capacity	City	SBMD
44	Silver Lakes Elementary	318	778	40.9%	(460)	MIRAMAR	2
45	Silver Palms Elementary	460	816	56.4%	(356)	PEMBROKE PINES	2
46	Sunset Lakes Elementary	515	1,300	39.6%	(785)	MIRAMAR	2
47	Tamarac Elementary	476	1,290	36.9%	(814)	TAMARAC	4
48	Tedder Elementary	521	794	65.6%	(273)	DEERFIELD BEACH	7
49	Thurgood Marshall Elementary	376	709	53.0%	(333)	FORT LAUDERDALE	5
50	Tradewinds Elementary	755	1,214	62.2%	(459)	COCONUT CREEK	7
51	Walker Elementary	547	987	55.4%	(440)	FORT LAUDERDALE	5
52	Watkins Elementary	303	814	37.2%	(511)	WEST PARK	1
53	Westwood Heights Elementary	486	781	62.2%	(295)	FORT LAUDERDALE	3
54	Attucks Middle	422	1,243	34.0%	(821)	HOLLYWOOD	1
55	Bair Middle	550	1,194	46.1%	(644)	SUNRISE	5
56	Coral Springs Middle	1,119	1,904	58.8%	(785)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
57	Crystal Lake Middle	798	1,169	68.3%	(371)	POMPANO BEACH	7
58	Driftwood Middle	760	1,259	60.4%	(499)	HOLLYWOOD	1
59	Forest Glen Middle	742	1,627	45.6%	(885)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
60	Glades Middle	687	1,842	37.3%	(1,155)	MIRAMAR	2
61	James S. Rickards Middle	771	1,120	68.8%	(349)	OAKLAND PARK	3
62	Lauderdale Lakes Middle	590	929	63.5%	(339)	LAUDERDALE LAKES	5
63	Lyons Creek Middle	1,132	1,916	59.1%	(784)	COCONUT CREEK	7
64	Margate Middle	704	1,366	51.5%	(662)	MARGATE	7
65	McNicol Middle	417	1,319	31.6%	(902)	HOLLYWOOD	1
66	New Renaissance Middle	775	1,566	49.5%	(791)	MIRAMAR	2
67	Olsen Middle	514	1,080	47.6%	(566)	DANIA BEACH	1
68	Parkway Middle	714	1,839	38.8%	(1,125)	LAUDERHILL	5
69	Silver Lakes Middle	552	1,131	48.8%	(579)	NORTH LAUDERDALE	4
70	Walter C. Young Middle	538	1,319	40.8%	(781)	PEMBROKE PINES	2
71	Westpine Middle	580	1,290	45.0%	(710)	SUNRISE	5
72	William E. Dandy Middle	663	1,133	58.5%	(470)	FORT LAUDERDALE	5
73	Blanche Ely High	1,675	2,737	61.2%	(1,062)	POMPANO BEACH	7
74	Boyd H. Anderson High	1,824	2,853	63.9%	(1,029)	LAUDERDALE LAKES	5
75	Charles W. Flanagan High	1,835	2,775	66.1%	(940)	PEMBROKE PINES	2
76	Coral Springs High	1,918	2,910	65.9%	(992)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
77	Everglades High	1,630	2,493	65.4%	(863)	MIRAMAR	2
78	Hallandale High	670	1,629	41.1%	(959)	HALLANDALE BEACH	1
79	Hollywood Hills High	1,342	2,172	61.8%	(830)	HOLLYWOOD	1
80	J. P. Taravella High	2,071	3,338	62.0%	(1,267)	CORAL SPRINGS	4
81	Miramar High	1,563	2,553	61.2%	(990)	MIRAMAR	2
82	Stranahan High	1,139	2,325	49.0%	(1,186)	FORT LAUDERDALE	3
83	Coral Cove Academy of the Arts	554	830	66.7%	(276)	MIRAMAR	2
84	Dillard 6-12	1,736	2,719	63.8%	(983)	FORT LAUDERDALE	5
85	Gulfstream Academy of Hallandale Beach	1,017	1,500	67.8%	(483)	HALLANDALE BEACH	1
86	Hollywood Central Preparatory K-8	425	687	61.9%	(262)	HOLLYWOOD	1
87	Lauderhill 6-12	583	897	65.0%	(314)	LAUDERHILL	5
88	Pines Collegiate Academy 6-12	838	1,769	47.4%	(931)	PEMBROKE PINES	2
89	Plantation 6-12	1,664	2,601	64.0%	(937)	PLANTATION	5
90	Silver Shores STEAM Academy K-8	396	820	48.3%	(424)	MIRAMAR	2

The following maps show the level of permanent capacity utilization for elementary, middle and high school in 2026-27. This calculation does not include relocatable classrooms (portables) and concrete modular classrooms, nor does it include the capacity of any brick-and-mortar buildings that are currently planned for demolition.

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Permanent Capacity Usage

Elementary Schools

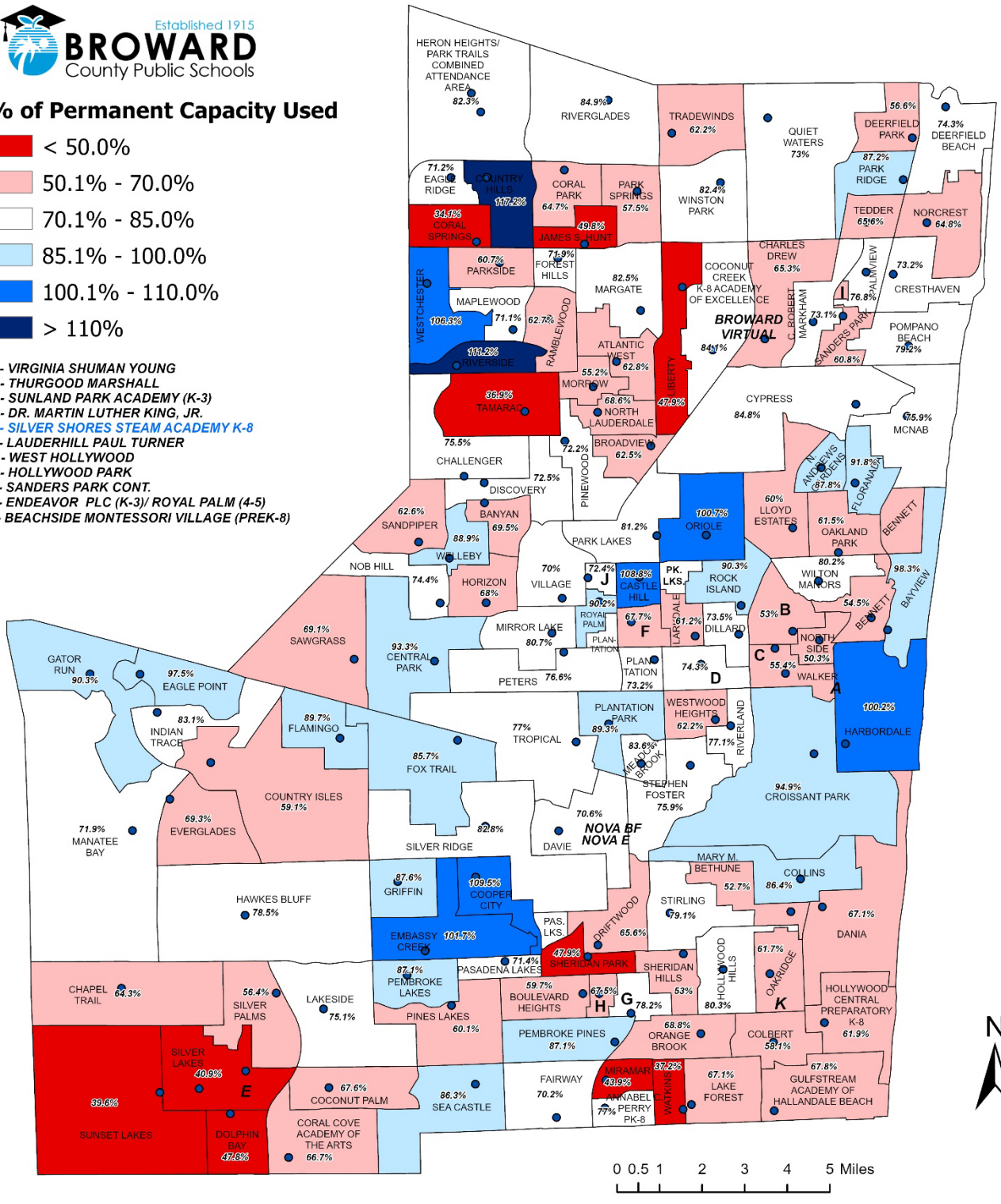
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% of Permanent Capacity Used

- < 50.0%
- 50.1% - 70.0%
- 70.1% - 85.0%
- 85.1% - 100.0%
- 100.1% - 110.0%
- > 110%

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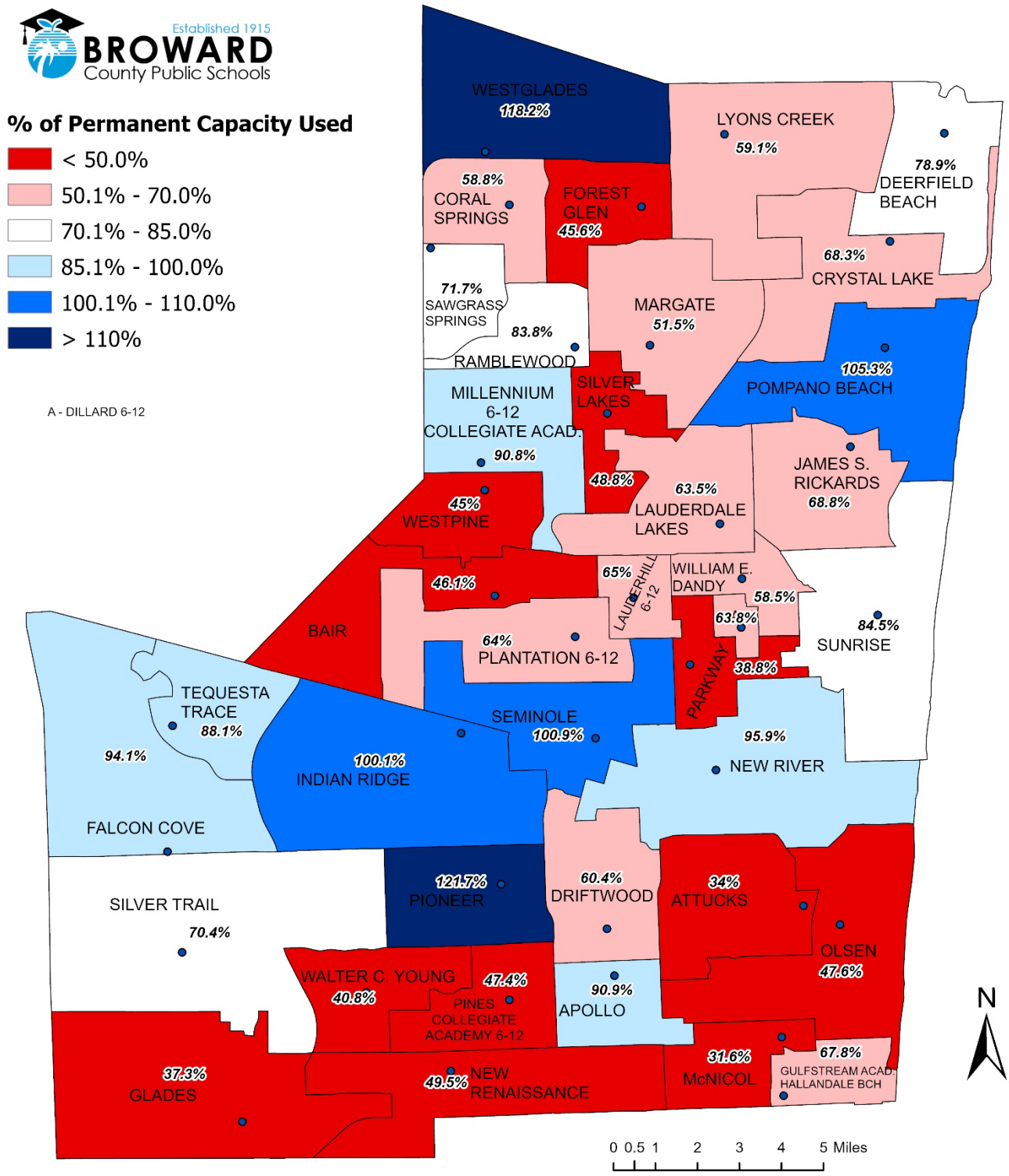
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Permanent Capacity Usage

Middle Schools

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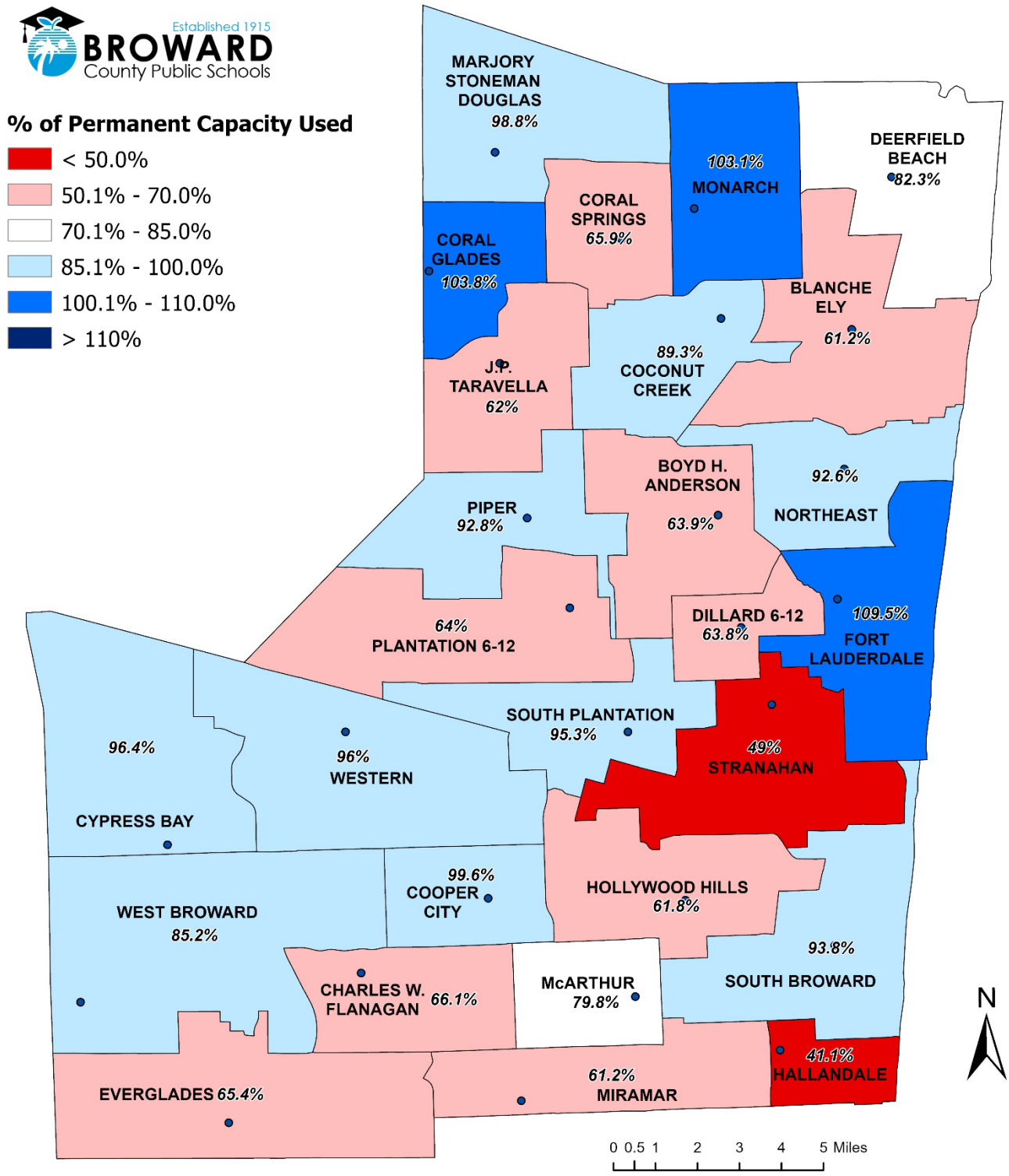
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High Schools

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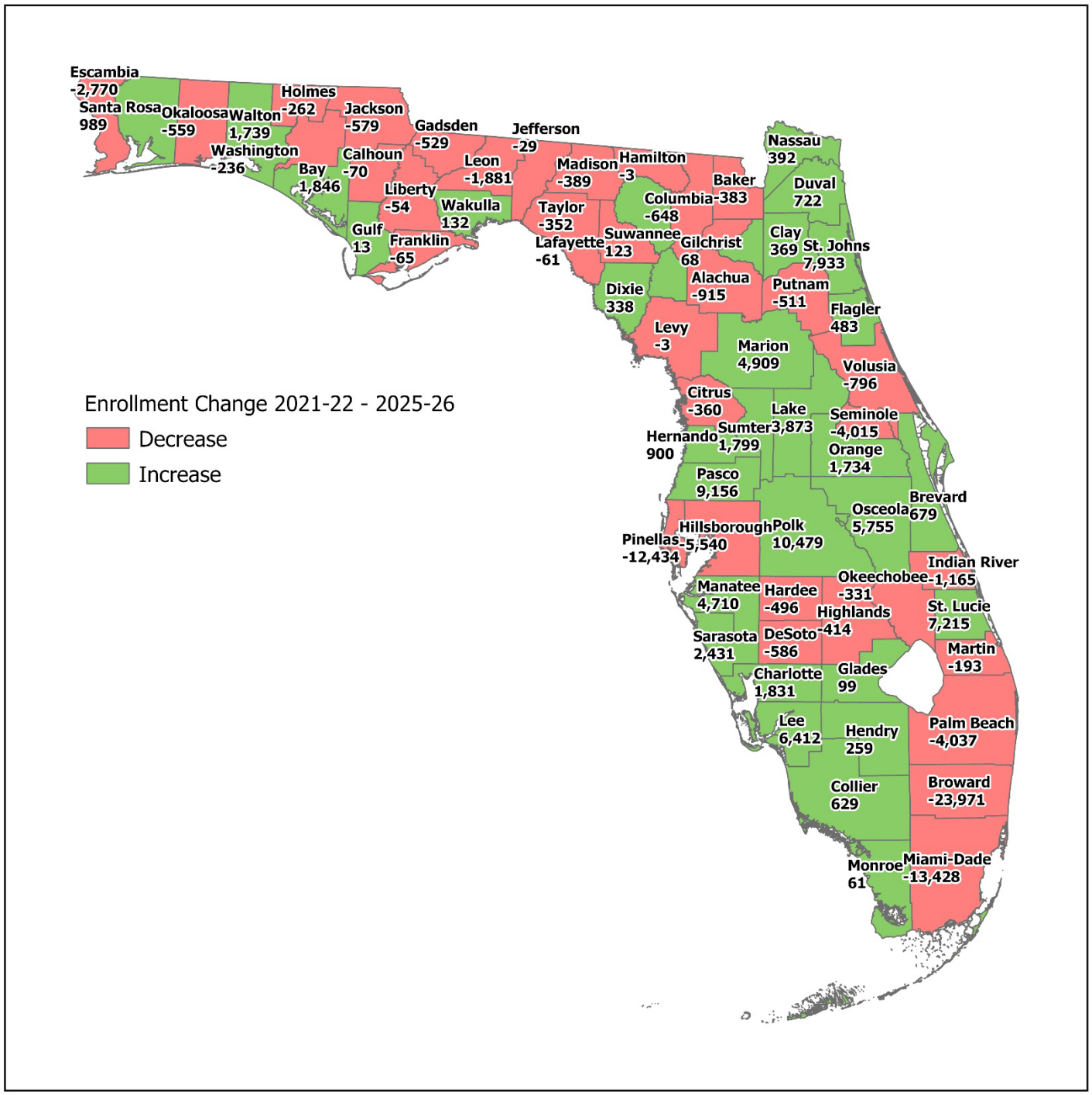


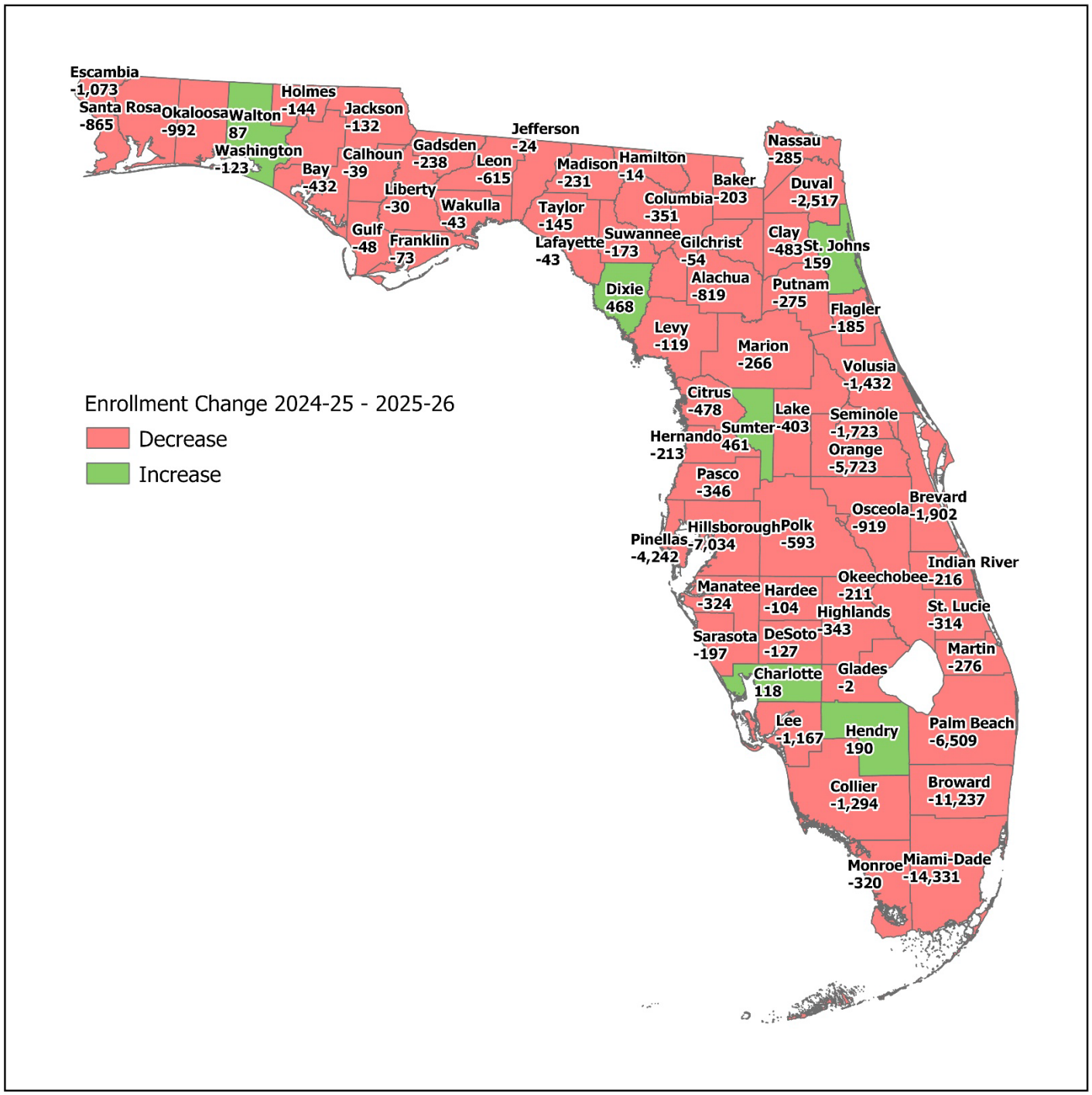
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3. State Enrollment Trend

The following two maps show enrollment change across Florida's 67 school districts, from 2021-22 to 2025-26, and from 2024-25 to 2025-26. As of September 2026, statewide enrollment is not yet available from the Florida Department of Education for the 2026-27 school year, but these two maps show an interesting shift in enrollment trends. From 2021-22 to 2025-26, Broward County lost more students than any other Florida district, and 32 of the 67 districts increased in enrollment. From 2024-25 to 2025-26, however, it is evident that enrollment loss in Florida is widespread, with all but seven counties losing enrollment during this one-year period.


Escambia
-2,770
Santa Rosa
989
Okaloosa
-559
Walton
1,739
Holmes
-262
Washington
-236
Jackson
-579
Bay
1,846
Calhoun
-70
Gadsden
-529
Liberty
-54
Gulf
13
Franklin
-65
Wakulla
132
Jefferson
-29
Leon
-1,881
Taylor
-352
Lafayette
-61
Madison
-389
Hamilton
-3
Suwannee
123
Columbia
-648
Baker
-383
Nassau
392
Duval
722
Clay
369
St. Johns
7,933
Gilchrist
68
Alachua
-915
Dixie
338
Levy
-3
Putnam
-511
Flagler
483
Marion
4,909
Volusia
-796
Citrus
-360
Hernando
900
Sumter
1,799
Lake
3,873
Seminole
-4,015
Orange
1,734
Pasco
9,156
Brevard
679
Osceola
5,755
Pinellas
-12,434
Hillsborough
-5,540
Polk
10,479
Indian River
-1,165
Okeechobee
-331
Manatee
4,710
Hardee
-496
Highlands
-414
St. Lucie
7,215
Sarasota
2,431
DeSoto
-586
Martin
-193
Charlotte
1,831
Glades
99
Lee
6,412
Hendry
259
Palm Beach
-4,037
Collier
629
Broward
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Monroe
61
Miami-Dade
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Enrollment Change 2021-22 - 2025-26
Decrease
Increase

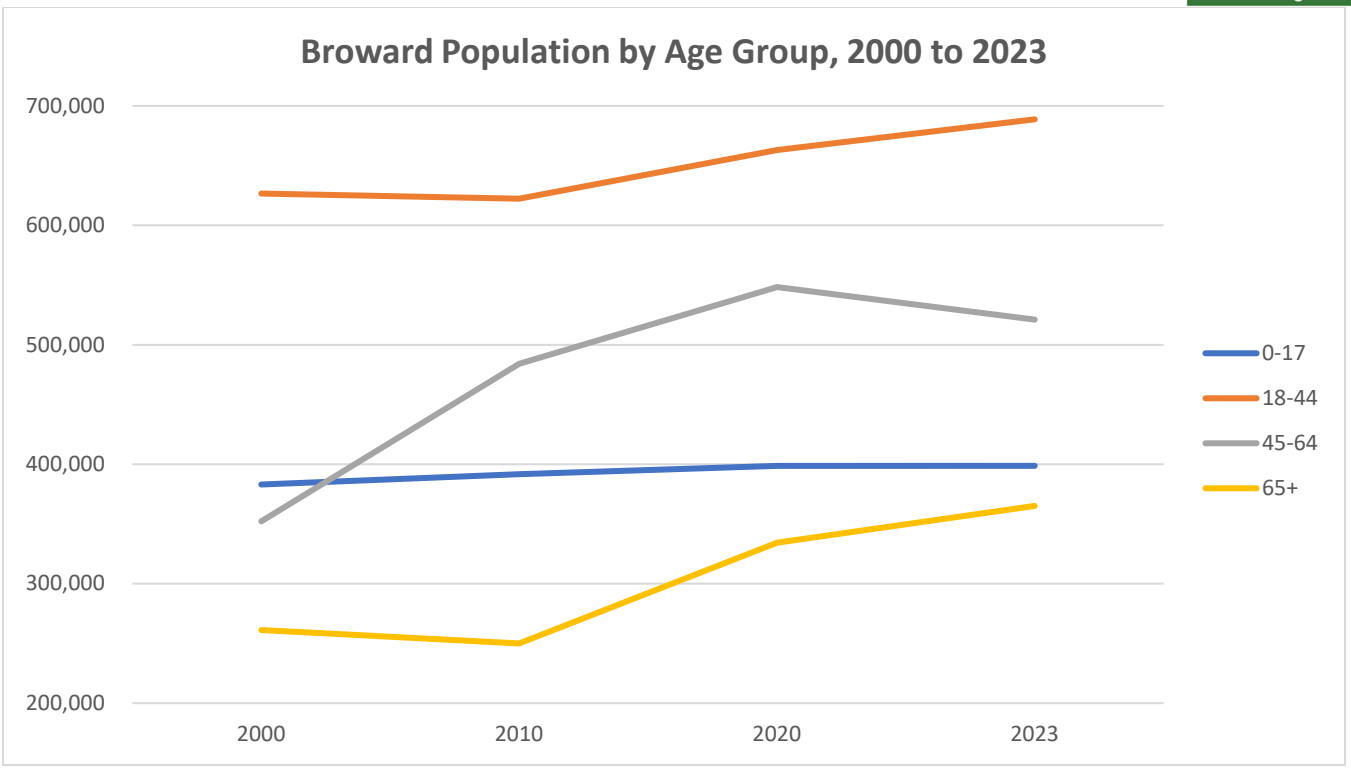

Enrollment Change 2024-25 - 2025-26
Decrease
Increase
Escambia -1,073
Santa Rosa -865
Okaloosa -992
Walton 87
Holmes -144
Washington -123
Bay -432
Jackson -132
Calhoun -39
Gadsden -238
Liberty -30
Gulf -48
Franklin -73
Wakulla -43
Leon -615
Jefferson -24
Madison -231
Taylor -145
Lafayette -43
Hamilton -14
Suwannee -173
Columbia -351
Baker -203
Nassau -285
Duval -2,517
Clay -483
St. Johns 159
Gilchrist -54
Alachua -819
Dixie 468
Putnam -275
Flagler -185
Levy -119
Marion -266
Volusia -1,432
Citrus -478
Lake -403
Seminole -1,723
Sumter 461
Hernando -213
Orange -5,723
Pasco -346
Brevard -1,902
Osceola -919
Hillsborough -7,034
Polk -593
Pinellas -4,242
Indian River -216
Okeechobee -211
Manatee -324
Hardee -104
Highlands -343
St. Lucie -314
Sarasota -197
DeSoto -127
Martin -276
Charlotte 118
Glades -2
Lee -1,167
Hendry 190
Palm Beach -6,509
Collier -1,294
Broward -11,237
Monroe -320
Miami-Dade -14,331

4. Population Trend

The overall population, including the age segment that corresponds with the school-aged population, zero- to seventeen-year-olds, has been increasing steadily since the 2000 US Census. The table below reports population data for Broward County, with United States Census population counts for 2000, 2010, and 2020, and the University of Florida Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) estimates for 2023 (the most recent year for which this data is available). During the 23-year period, the total population grew by 350,561, or 21.6 percent. Though the proportion of the population corresponding to zero- to seventeen-year-olds decreased from 23.6 percent to 20.2 percent relative to other population segments, the total number of persons in this age group increased by 15,631.

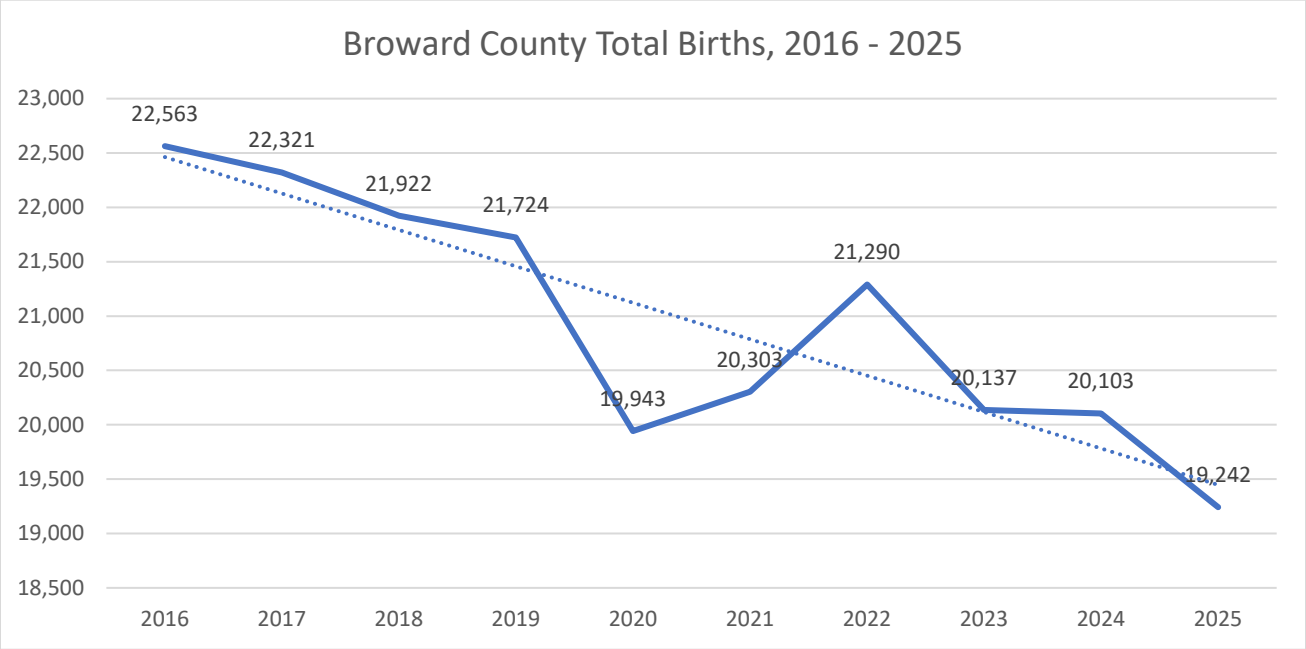
Broward County Population 2000 to 2023 by Age Group

	2000	2010	2020	2023	Change 2000 to 2023
Total Population	1,623,018	1,748,066	1,944,375	1,973,579	350,561
% By Age group:					
0-17	23.6%	22.4%	20.5%	20.2%	-3.4 points
18-44	38.6%	35.6%	34.1%	34.9%	-3.7 points
45-64	21.7%	27.7%	28.2%	26.4%	4.7 points
65+	16.1%	14.3%	17.2%	18.5%	2.4 points
Population by Age Group					
0-17	383,032	391,567	398,597	398,663	15,631
18-44	626,485	622,311	663,032	688,779	62,294
45-64	352,195	484,214	548,314	521,025	168,830
65+	261,306	249,974	334,432	365,112	103,806


Broward Population by Age Group, 2000 to 2023
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45-64
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5. Births and Migration

One metric that is frequently identified as a driver of enrollment decline is the birth rate, or more accurately, the total number of live births, in Broward County. As can be seen in the graph below, representing total births from 2016 through 2025 (data provisional), the trend in the number of births each year has been downward, and 2025, though still provisional, represents the lowest number of annual births recorded in Broward County in this century.



The table below compares the components of population change in Broward, Palm Beach, and Miami-Dade Counties from 2020 to 2025 (estimated). While all three counties grew in population, Palm Beach, like Florida as a whole, recorded more deaths than births, so the increase in population was driven entirely by migration into the county. Broward County grew by the smallest number of the three counties and saw the smallest net immigration, though it and Miami-Dade both recorded more births than deaths.

Components of Population Change in South Florida Counties 2020-2025

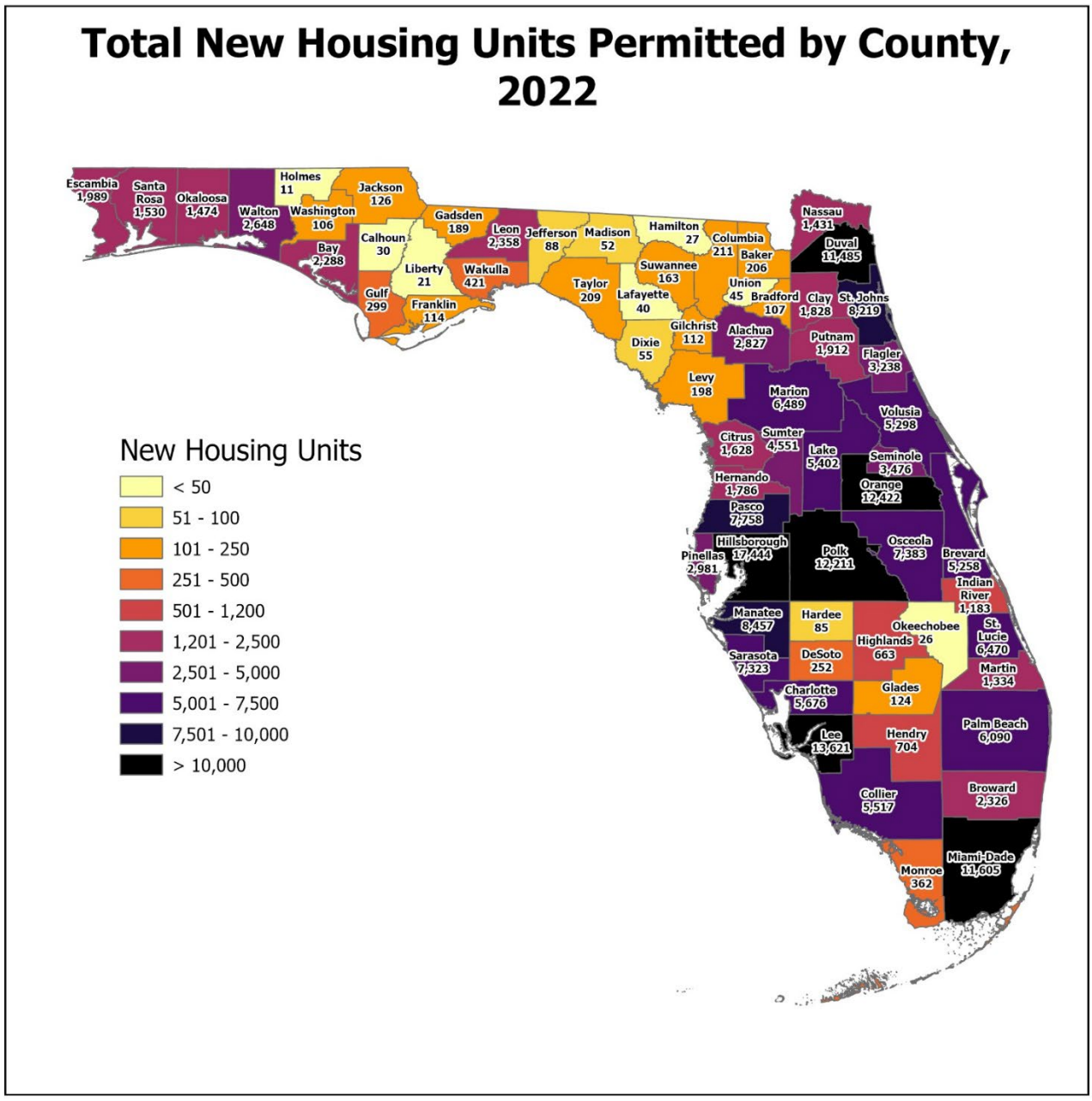
State and County	Total Change 2020–2025	Components of Change: Natural: Births	Natural: Deaths	Natural: Change	Net Migration	Percent of Change Due to: Natural Change	Percent of Change Due to: Net Migration
FLORIDA	1,841,074	1,096,073	1,197,162	-101,089	1,942,163	0	100
Broward	49,160	101,807	85,667	16,140	33,020	32.8	67.2
Miami-Dade	113,160	143,207	116,274	26,933	86,227	23.8	76.2
Palm Beach	63,970	74,123	83,290	-9,167	73,137	0	100

Data source: Florida Department of Health (2020–2024 Vital Statistics), U.S. Census Bureau (2020 Census), and University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research (2025 Estimates).

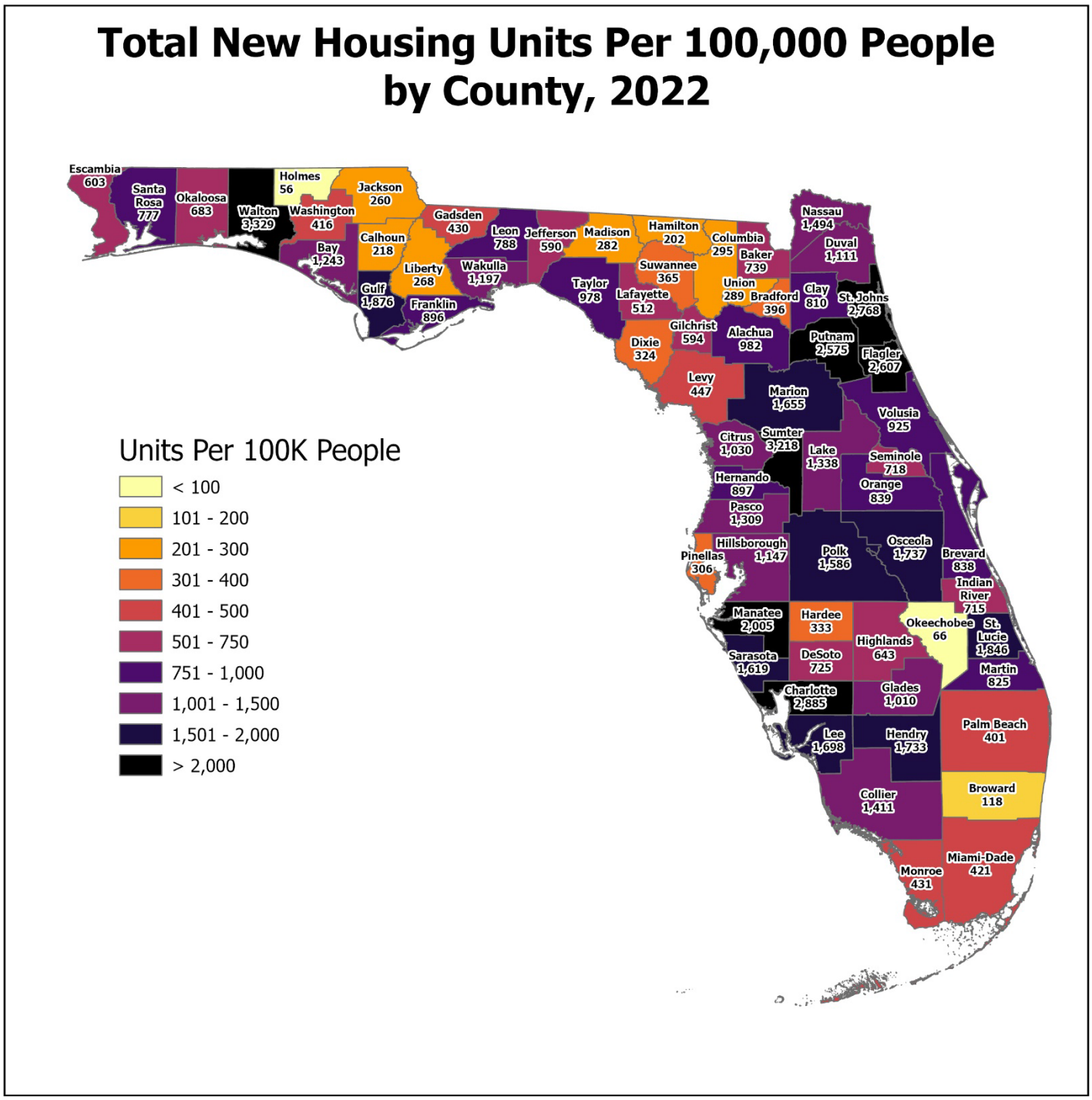
6. Housing

A major driver in population growth or decline is the supply of new housing, and new dwelling units coming online is a prerequisite for growth. The availability of single-family homes, in particular, is critical in attracting families with children. Broward County is unique among south Florida school districts in collecting forecasted residential certificates of occupancy from its principal municipalities, so it is difficult to perform a detailed analysis on how Broward might compare to its neighbors. The U.S. Census Bureau Building Permits Survey (November 27, 2023), however, does provide data, at the county level, on all new building permits being pulled for residential structures, overall and specifically for single-family dwellings.

The following two maps show total new housing units for all counties in Florida, and total housing units by county per 100,000 people. In terms of the raw total number of housing units being permitted in 2022, Broward County does not appear to be an outlier, though it is clearly not among the counties with the greatest amount of home building occurring.

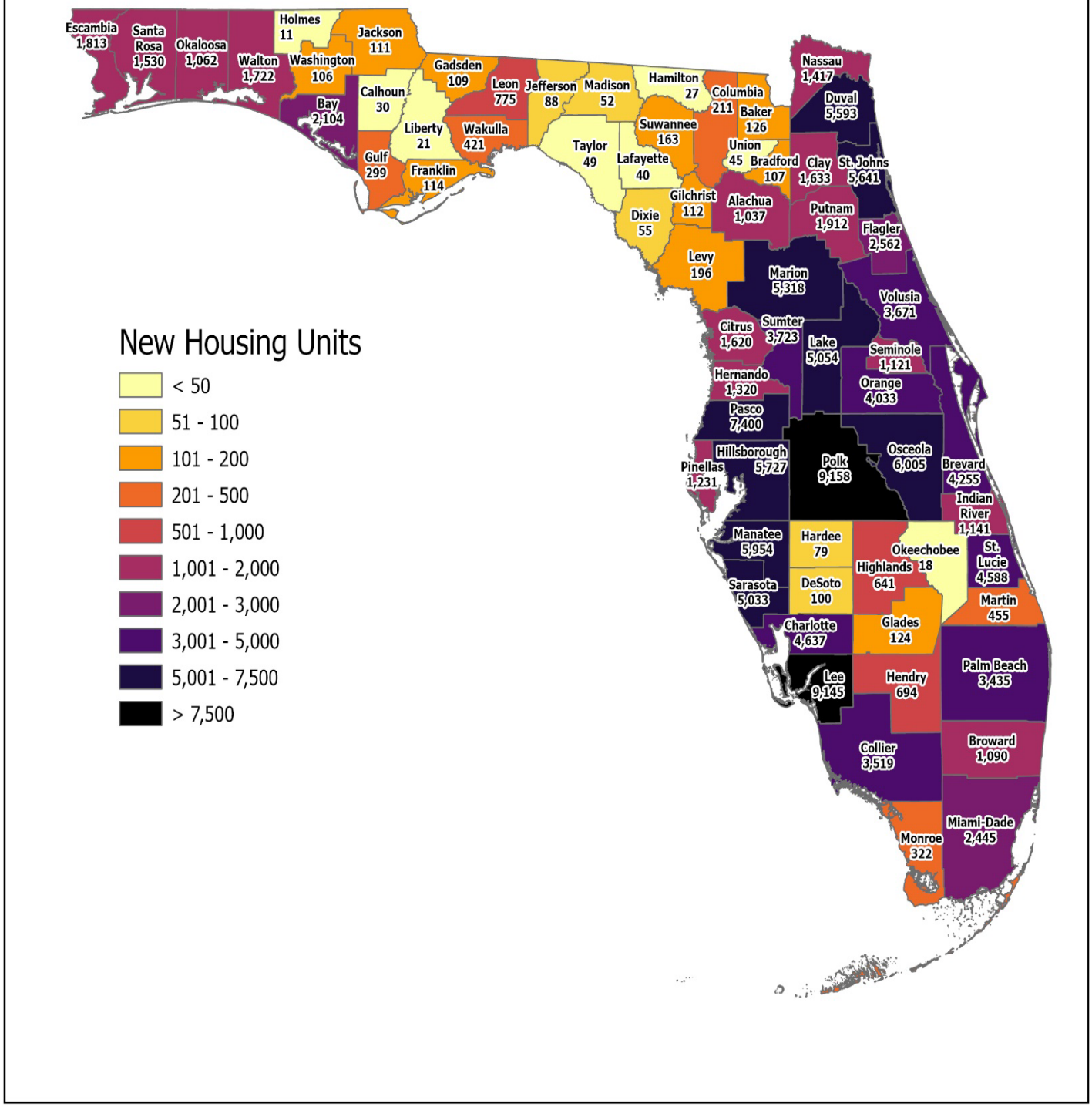


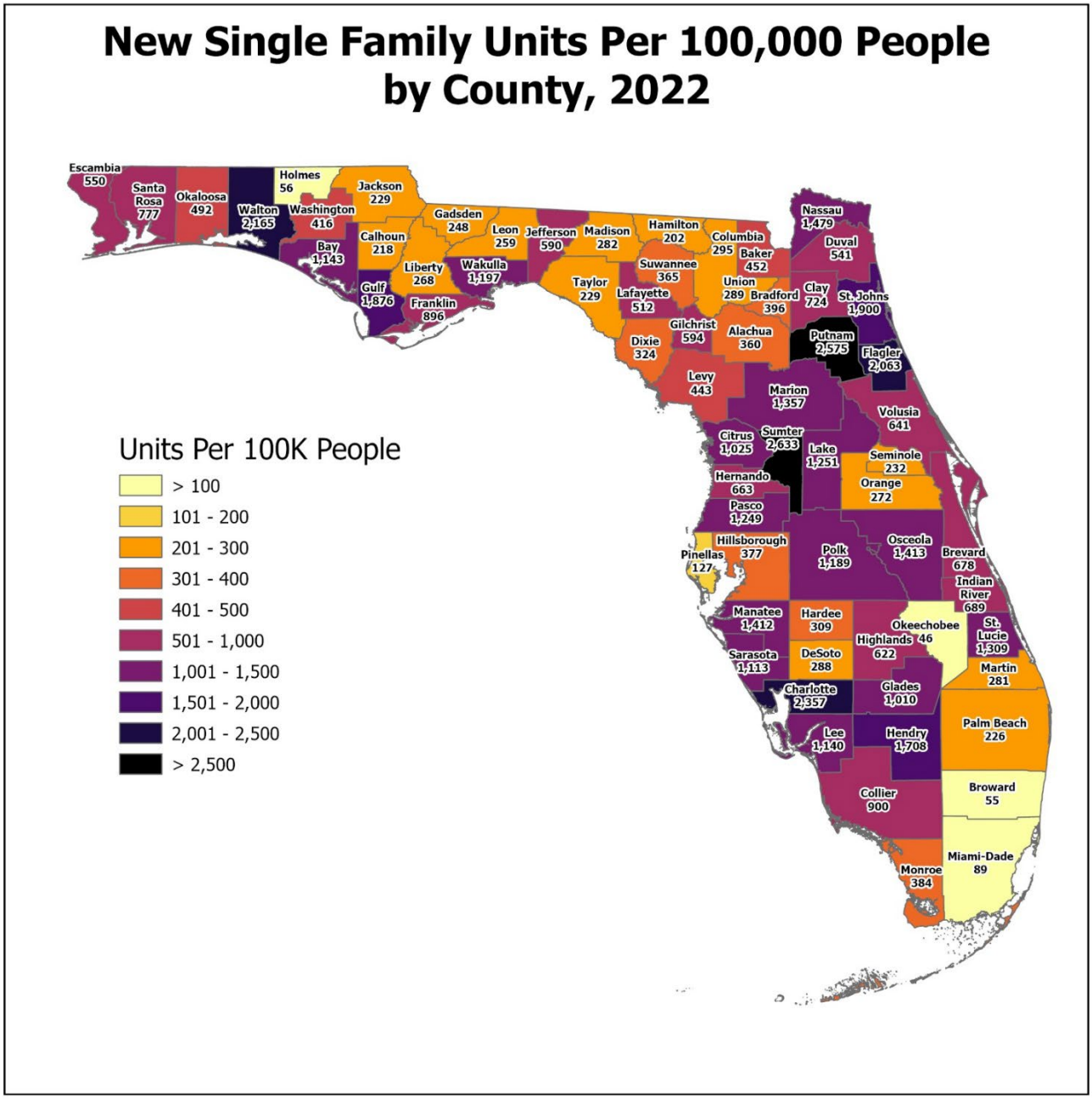
This is misleading, however, as Broward County has the second-highest population of any county in the state, and when this is addressed by normalizing the housing per 100,000 residents, it emerges as the county with the third-lowest rate of building (map below).



When only building permits for single-family homes are considered, again Broward County does not stand out in terms of the raw total units being built but normalized for every 100,000 residents it has the second-lowest rate of building in the state. By this measure, Miami-Dade is revealed as an outlier as well, with the fourth-lowest rate of single-family home building in the state.

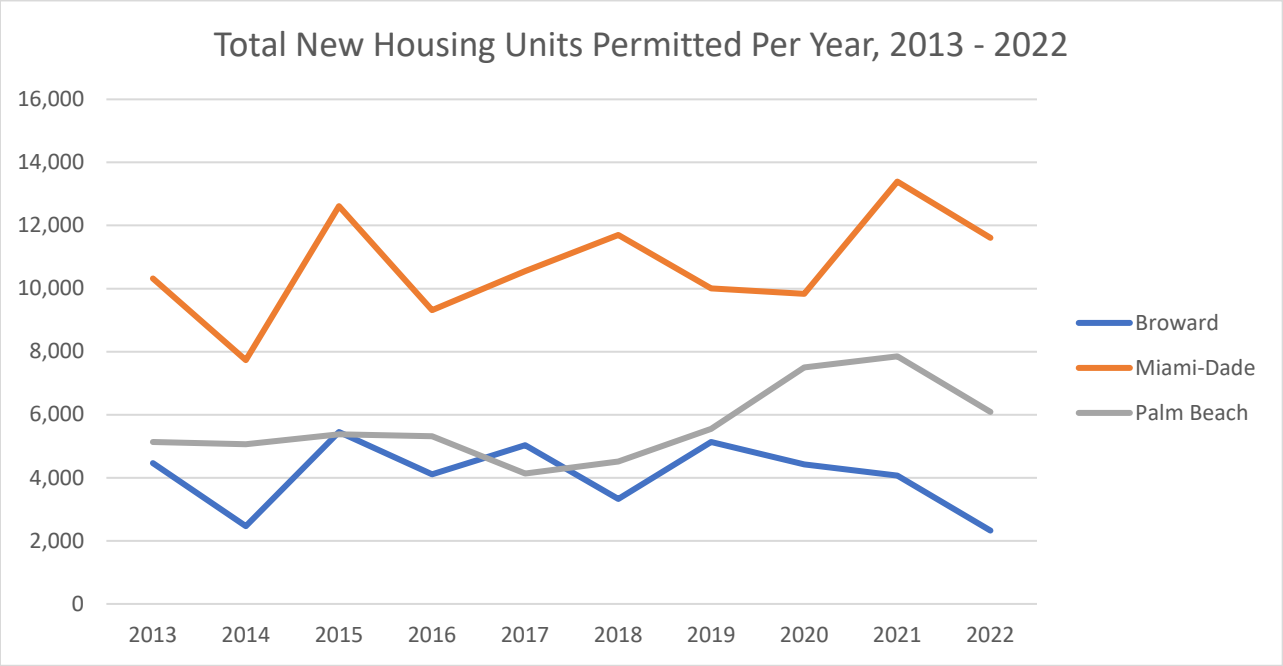
New Single Family Units Permitted by County, 2022

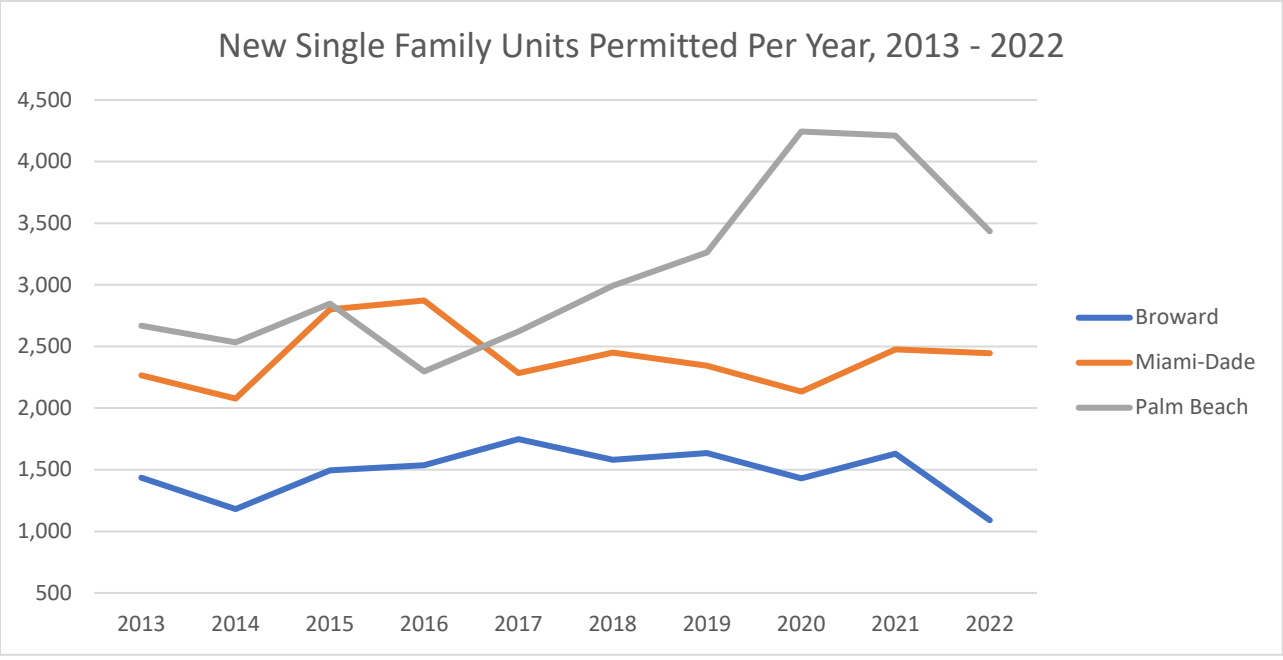




The two graphs below illustrate the data from the Building Permits Survey for just Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties. Note that this data is not normalized for population size, but instead represents the raw total units being permitted in the three counties. While Miami-Dade County saw the highest total number of housing units during the entire period, only about twenty percent of these units were new single-family homes, the housing type typically correlated with school enrollment growth. If single-family homes are parsed out separately, Palm Beach County stands above the other two counties, despite being smaller in overall population. In both total housing and single-family housing, Broward County issued the lowest number of permits in every year beginning in 2018.

The above is not surprising considering that Broward County has the least remaining buildable land among the three counties, and that most recent residential development has been in higher density housing types, including townhomes, and mid-rise and high-rise buildings. High-rise buildings have traditionally generated the lowest number of school-aged children, though many of the new high-rise developments in downtown Fort Lauderdale, do have public school students living in them.





7. Assigned Students as Percentage of Available Capacity

One of the major drivers behind decreasing enrollment in BCPS schools can be explained by the rapid proliferation of non-district school choice options, including charter and private schools, but also relatively novel options such as private school vouchers, statewide virtual schools, parent-run micro-schools, and voucher-supported homeschooling.

The total BCPS District plus charter school enrollment in 2026-27, 224,324, is lower than the total number of permanent capacity seats in the District's facilities portfolio, of 237,571. If all 46,749 charter school students in 2026-27 in Broward County chose to return to district-managed schools, there would still be an empty seat surplus of 13,247. This is an extremely unlikely scenario, of course, but it does demonstrate the overall excess in school capacity.

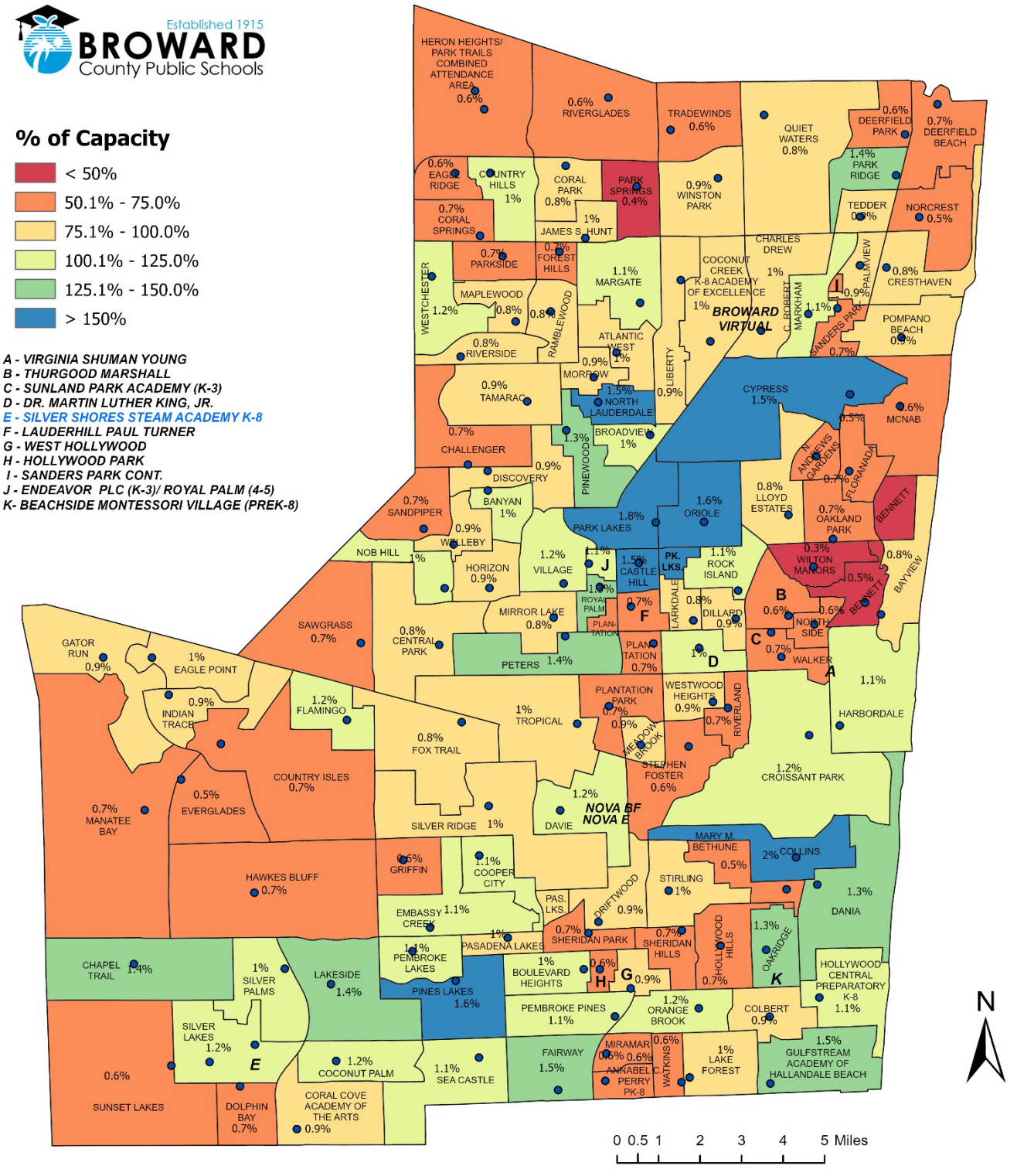
Of the District's 192 traditional schools with assigned attendance areas, 118 schools do not have enough public school (District plus charter) students of corresponding grade level living within their attendance areas to fill their capacity. The following set of maps for elementary, middle, and high schools shows the total number of students (District plus charter) living within the boundary of each school as a percentage of its permanent capacity. Note that these maps do not capture the number of private school students living in BCPS attendance areas, and therefore in areas with higher private school enrollment, there may be many more students living in a school's boundary than is reported here.

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Total Assigned Students as a % of Permanent Capacity

Elementary Schools

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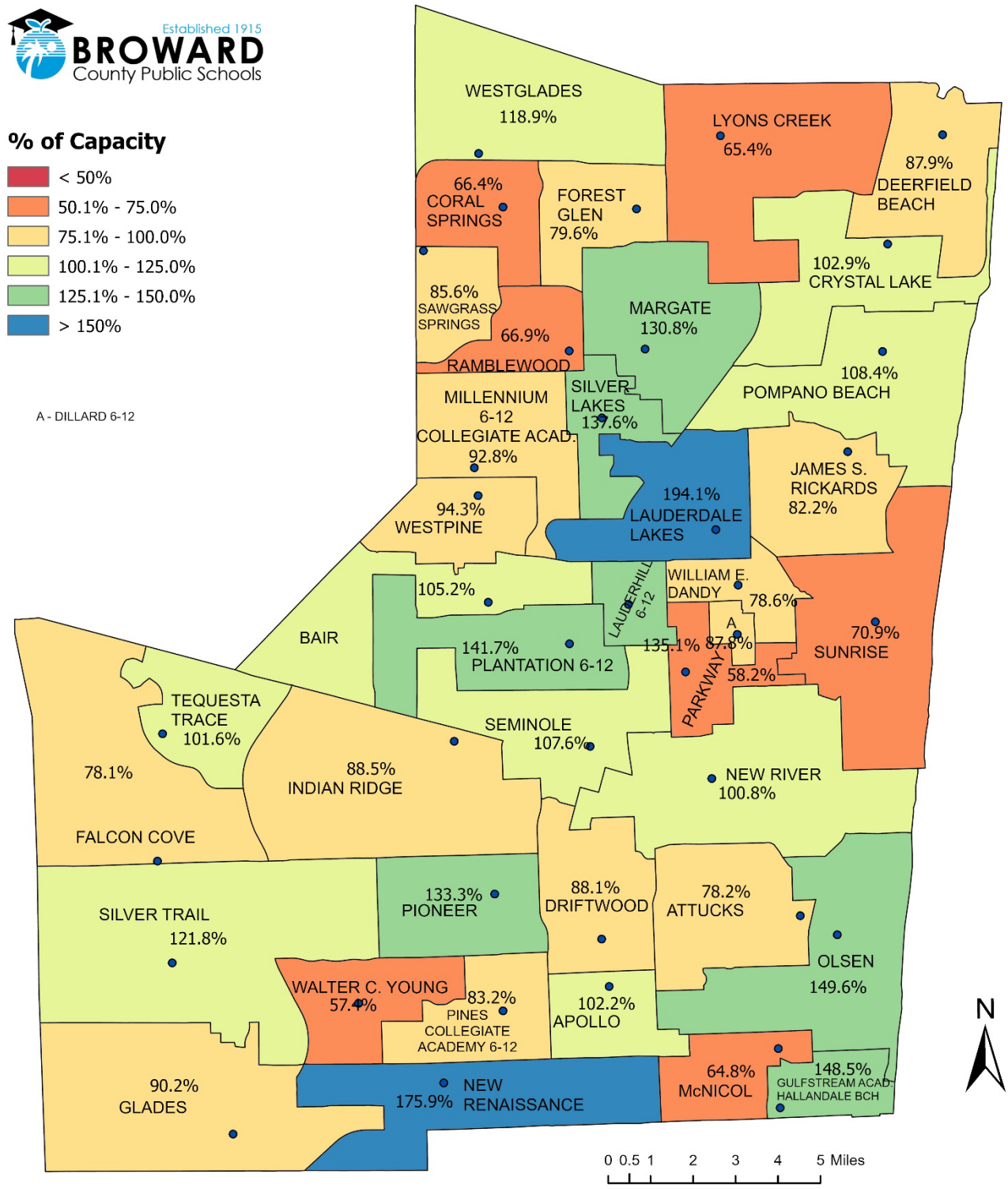
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Middle Schools

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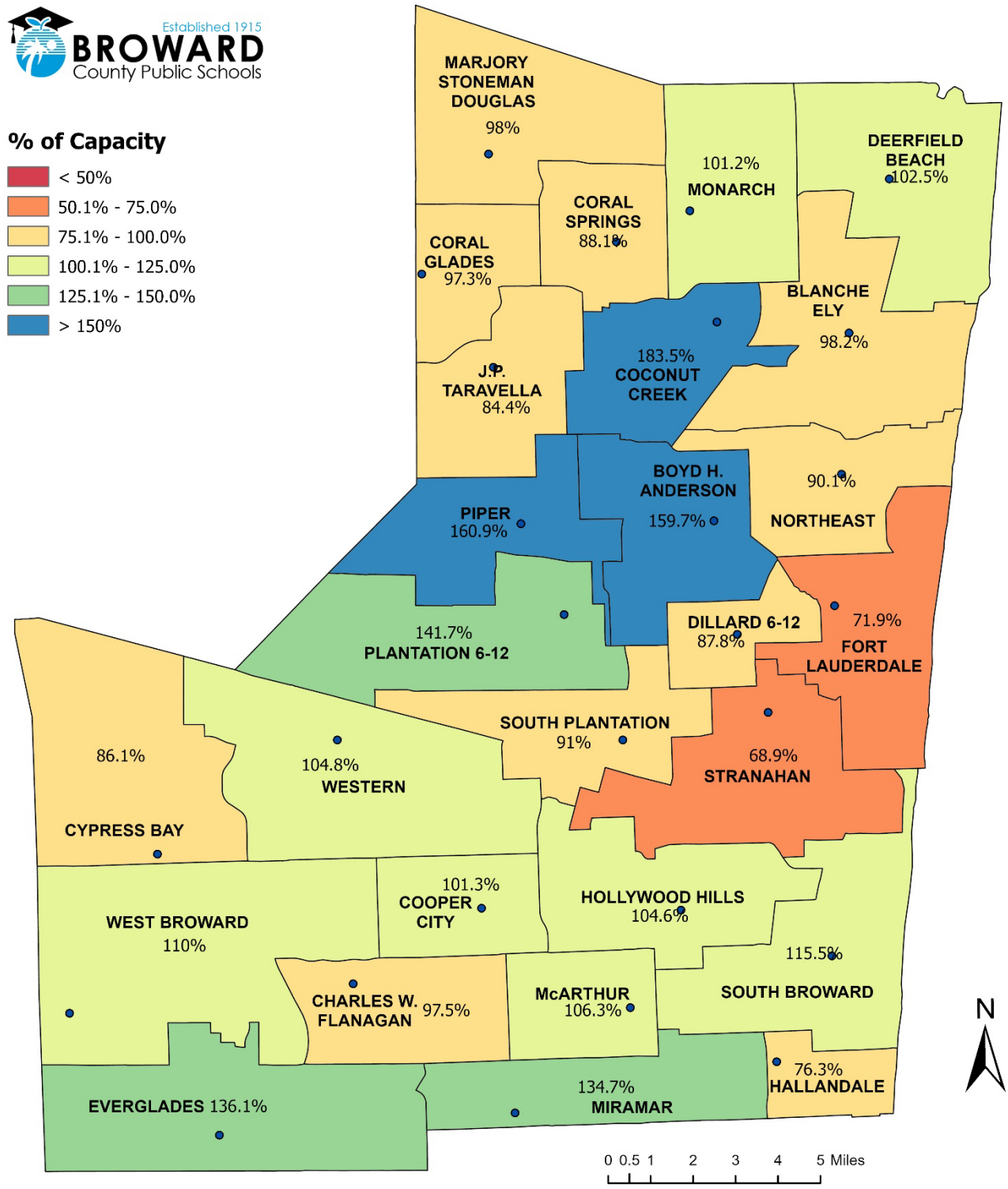
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Total Assigned Students as a % of Permanent Capacity

High Schools

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8. Stay Rate

A metric that may serve as a good proxy for how favorably a school is viewed by the community it serves. “Stay” rate represents the percentage of students residing in-boundary who are attending the school. This rate only assesses the population of students attending either BCPS District or charter schools and does not capture those students who are attending private schools, who are home-schooled, who attend schools in other counties or those in state-managed virtual schools, as these students are not registered in the BCPS student information system and therefore cannot be identified by residing school attendance area. For schools with a low “stay” rate, students are attending either another District school or a charter school. The District average stay rate for all levels is 56.3% in 2026-27, though this ranges from 24.4% (Silver Lakes Elementary) to 96.5% (Cypress Bay High School). The following three maps show the “stay” rates for elementary, middle, and high schools in 2026-27.

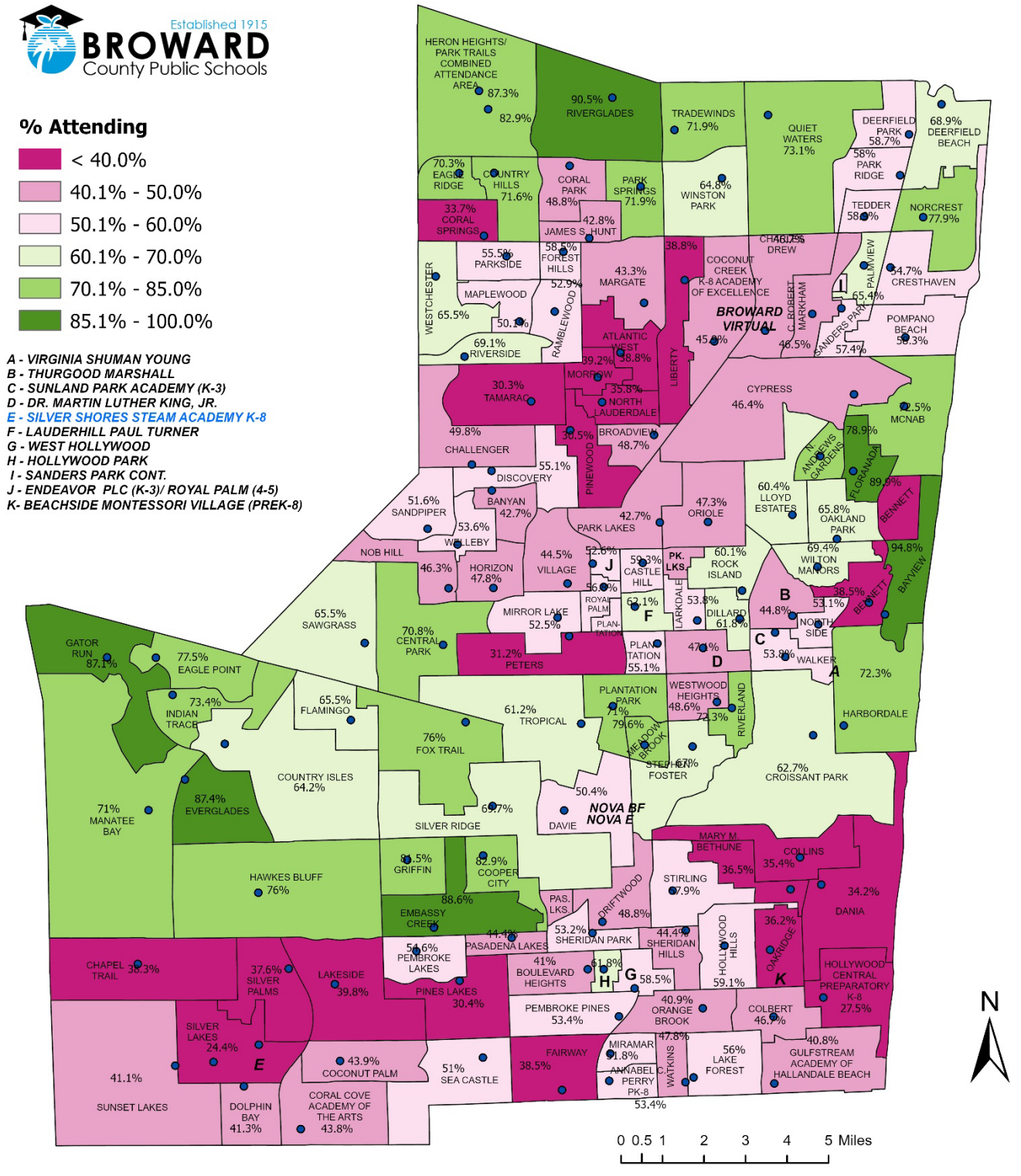
For schools with low “stay” rates, the students not attending those schools will be attending either other District schools through school choice (reassignments, magnet programs, Nova Schools, etc.), or charter schools. There may be a variety of factors causing students to choose other BCPS schools over their assigned boundary schools, though in general these students do not constitute an opportunity to regain overall market share as they remain within the BCPS system. Schools where a significant proportion of the residing students choose to leave to attend another BCPS school typically occur in areas with fewer charter schools, which might otherwise attract students away from the BCPS fold.

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Percentage of Assigned Students Attending

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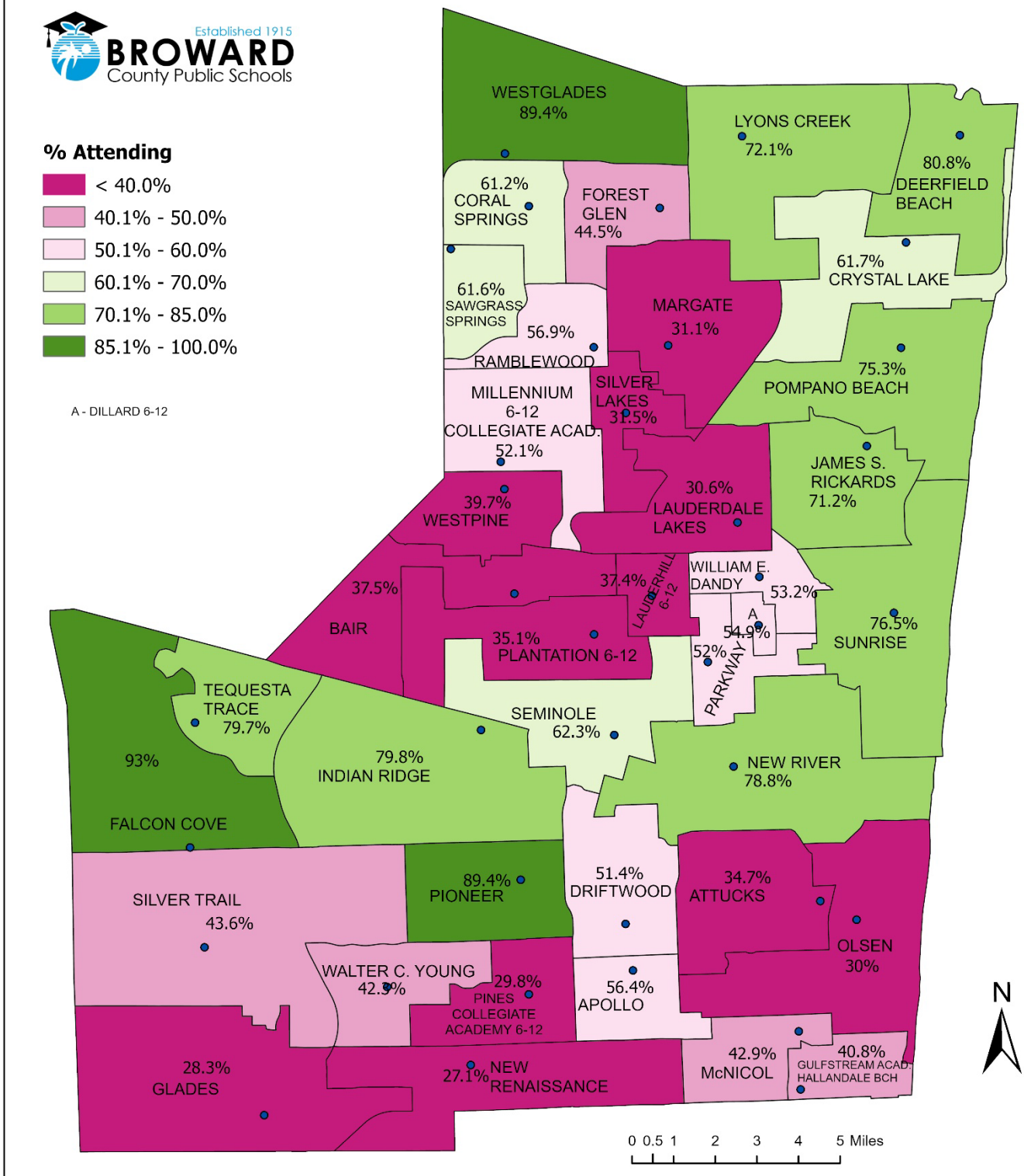
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Percentage of Assigned Students Attending

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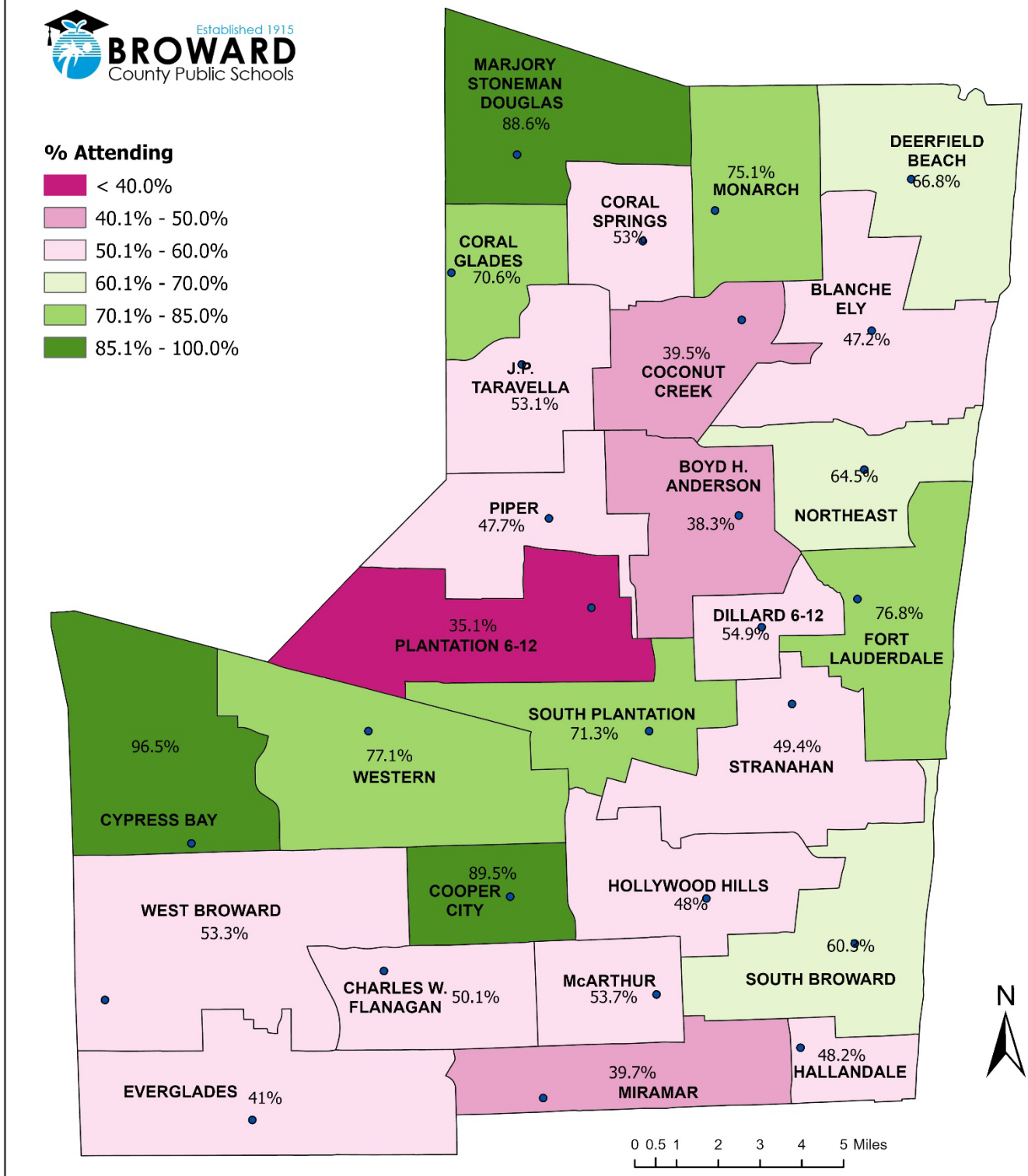
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9. School Choice

9.1 Attending Other BCPS

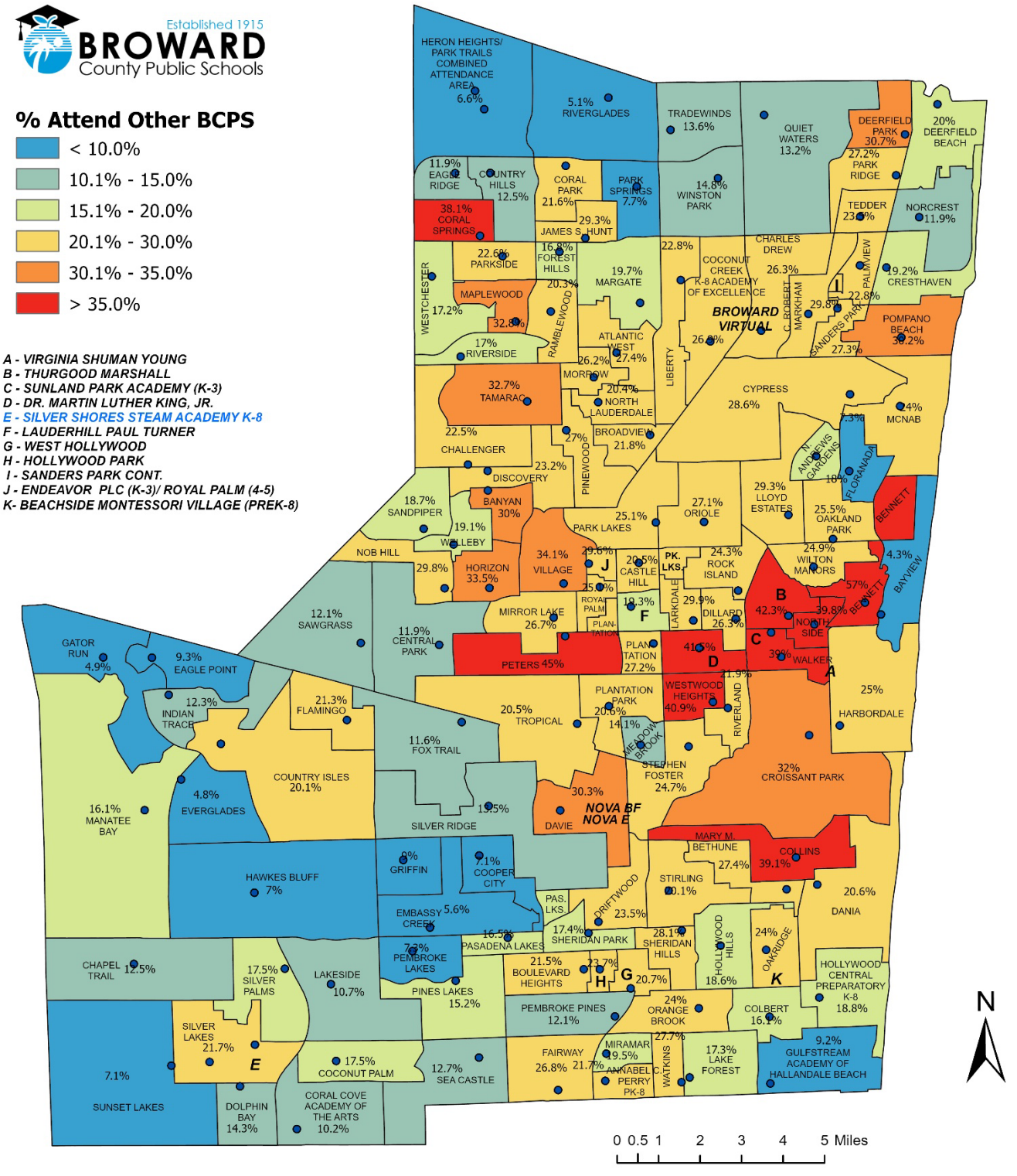
The following set of maps shows the percentage of elementary, middle, and high school students, per attendance area, who choose to attend other BCPS schools in 2026-27, either through reassignment, magnet programs, ESE or disciplinary placement, or enrollment in a non-boundary school such as the Nova Schools or College Academy.

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% of Students Attending Other BCPS Schools

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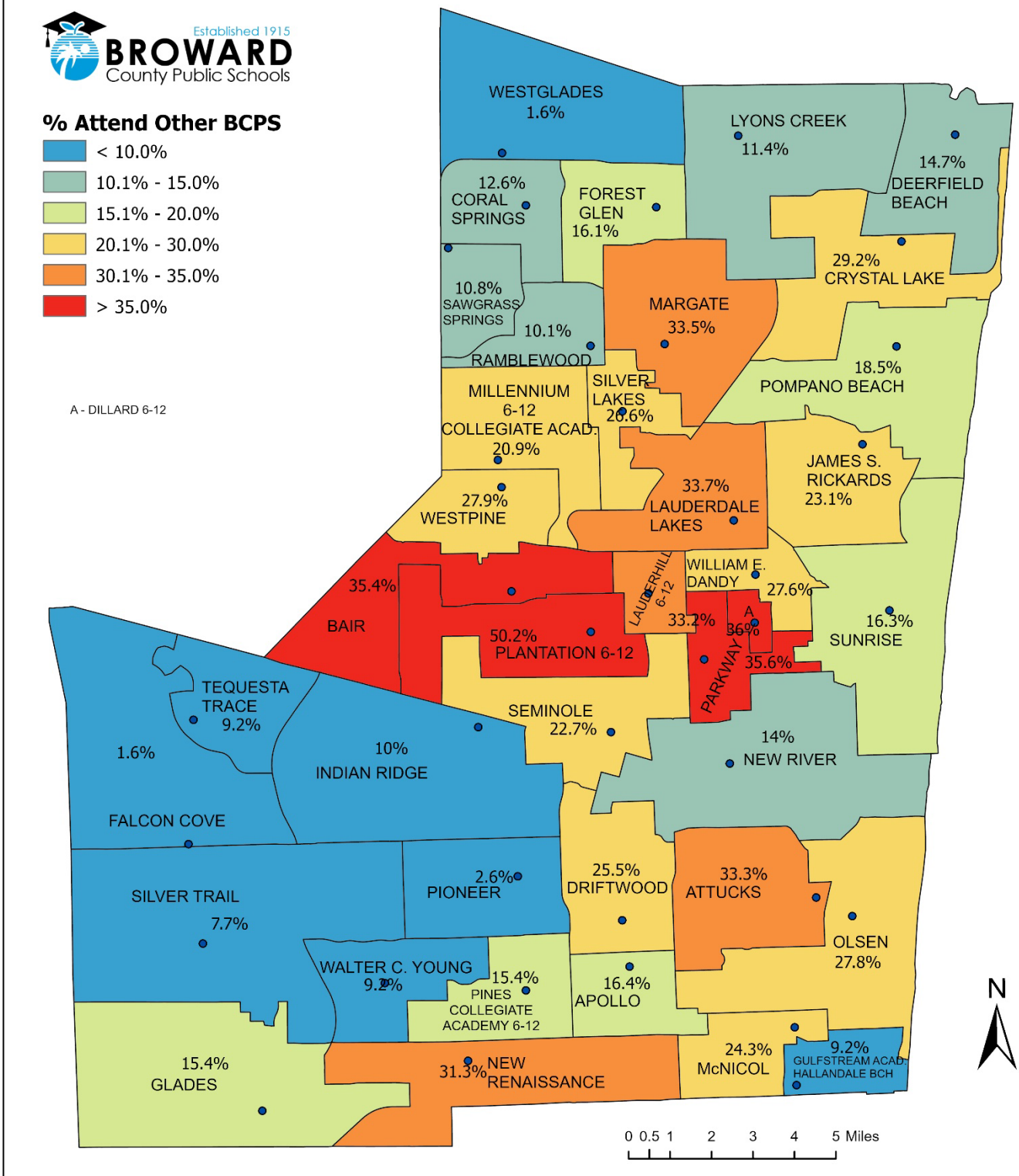
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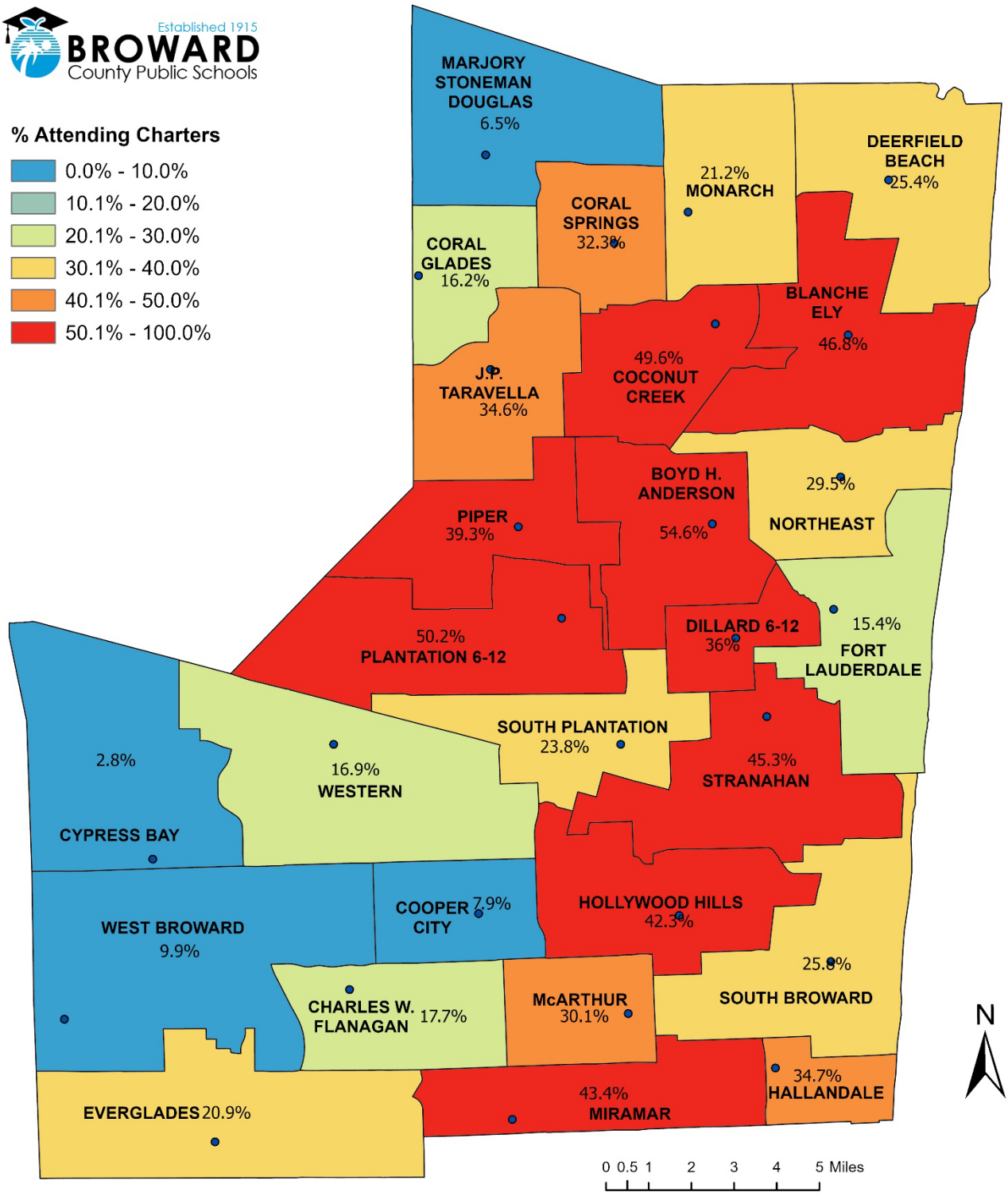
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9.2 Students from Out-of-Boundary

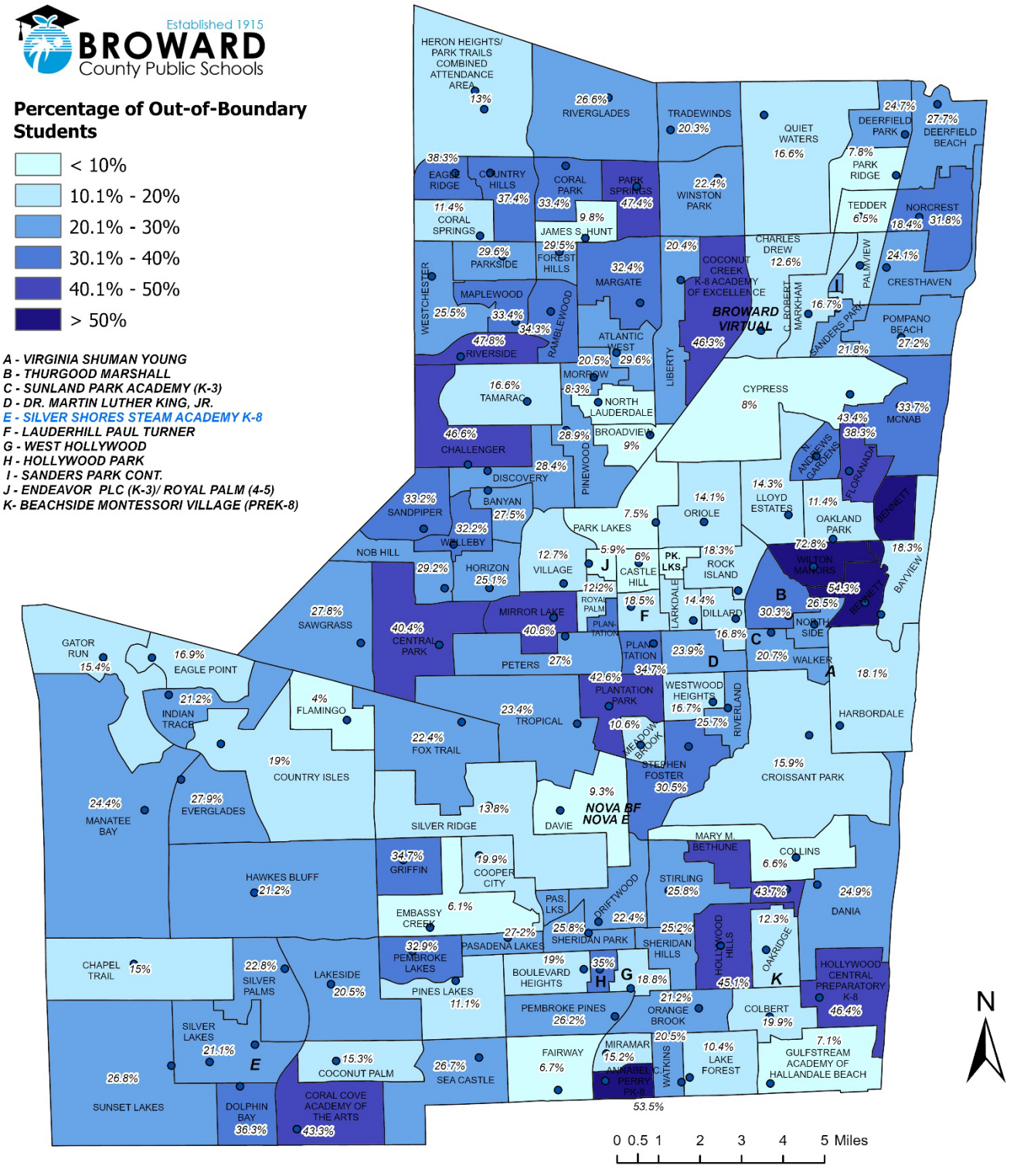
The counterpart of “stay” rate is the “pull” rate, the percentage of students in a school who have chosen to attend there but reside in the attendance areas of other schools. It’s important to note, however, that schools with low rates of out-of-boundary students attending may be operating close to, at, or above their permanent capacity with only in-boundary students, and therefore do not have space for other students to assign through school choice. In these cases, a low “pull” rate does not indicate low desirability, and therefore this metric, along with the following set of maps, should be interpreted in the context of both facility utilization and “stay’ rate.

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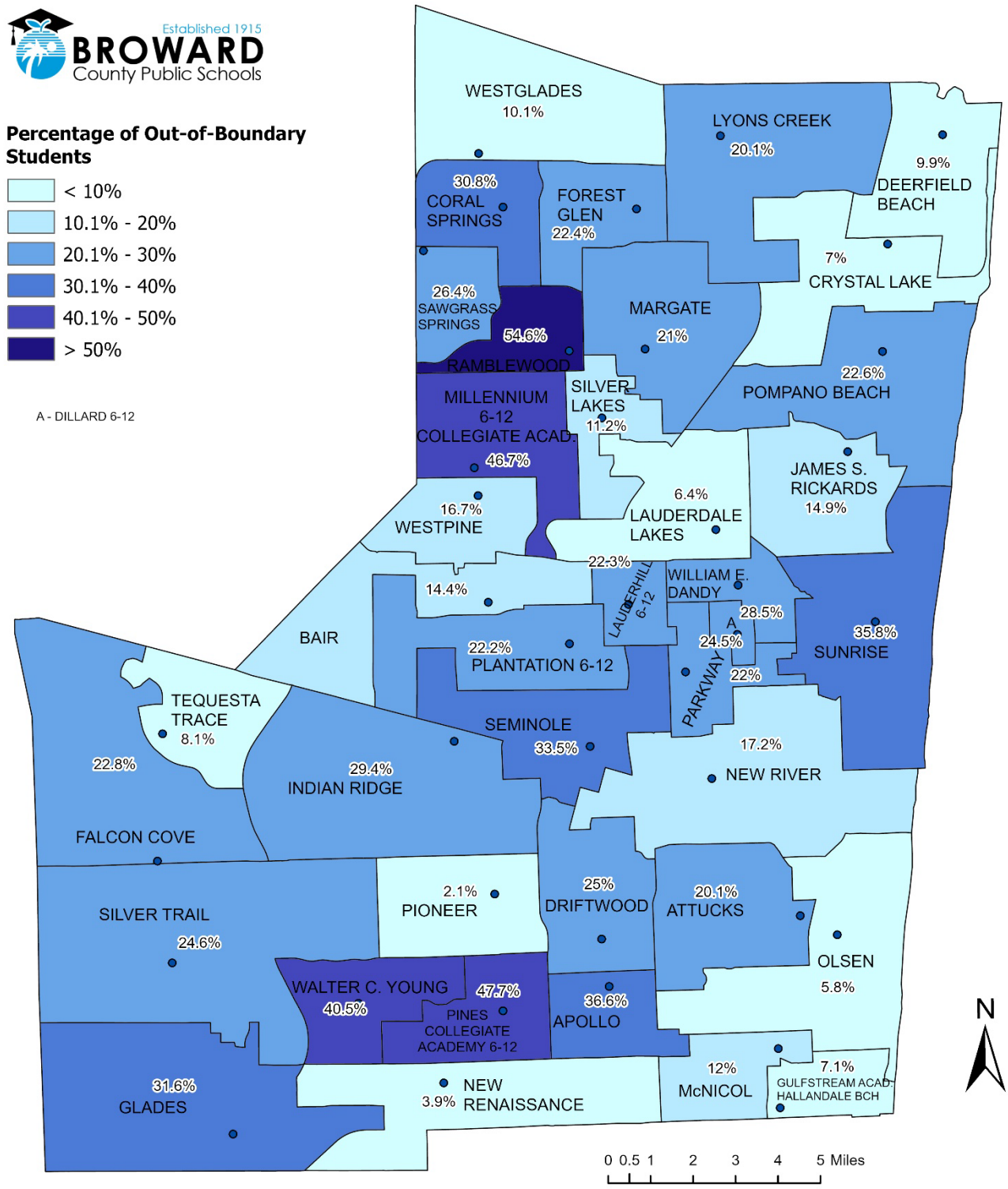
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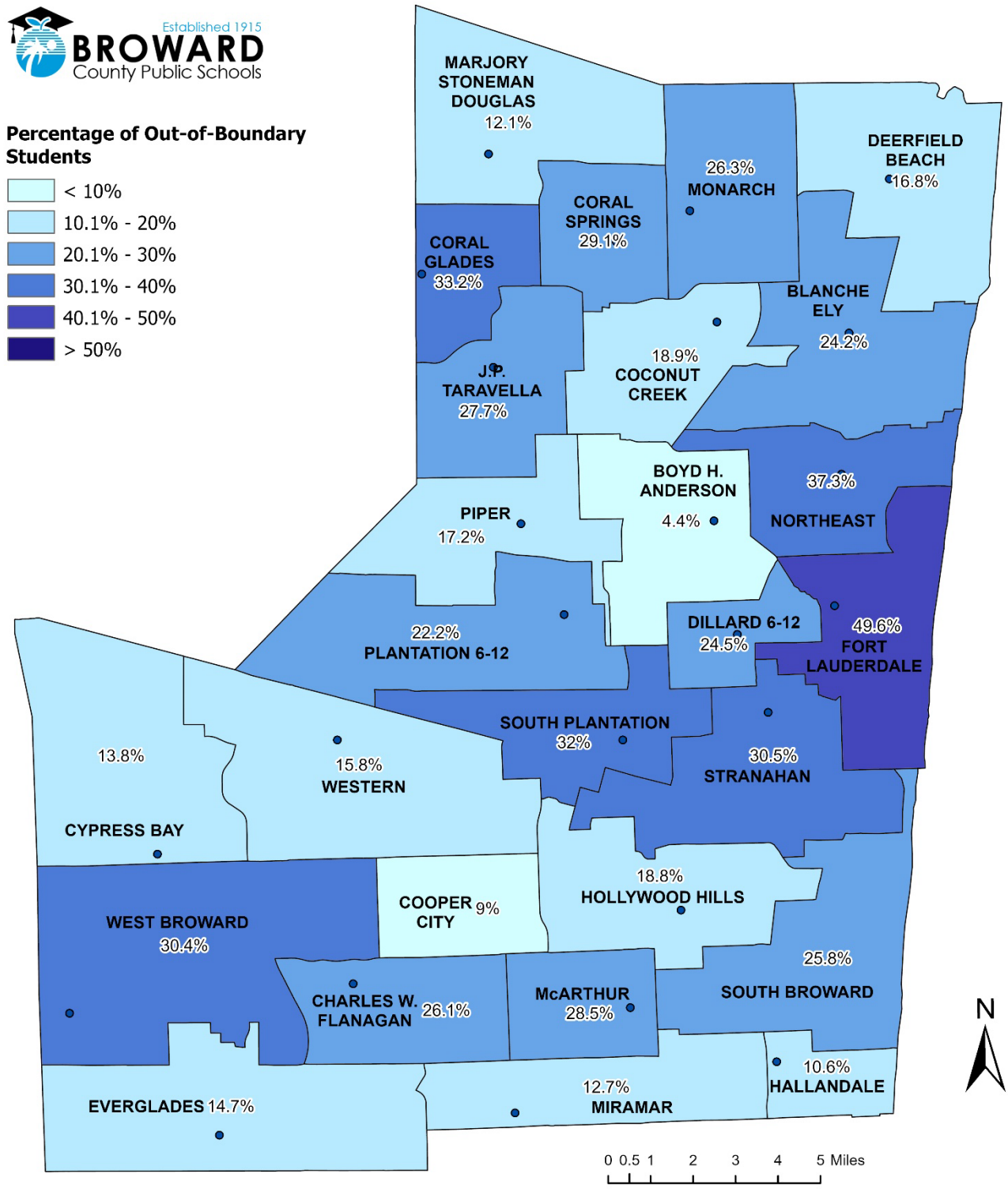
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9.3 Charter Schools

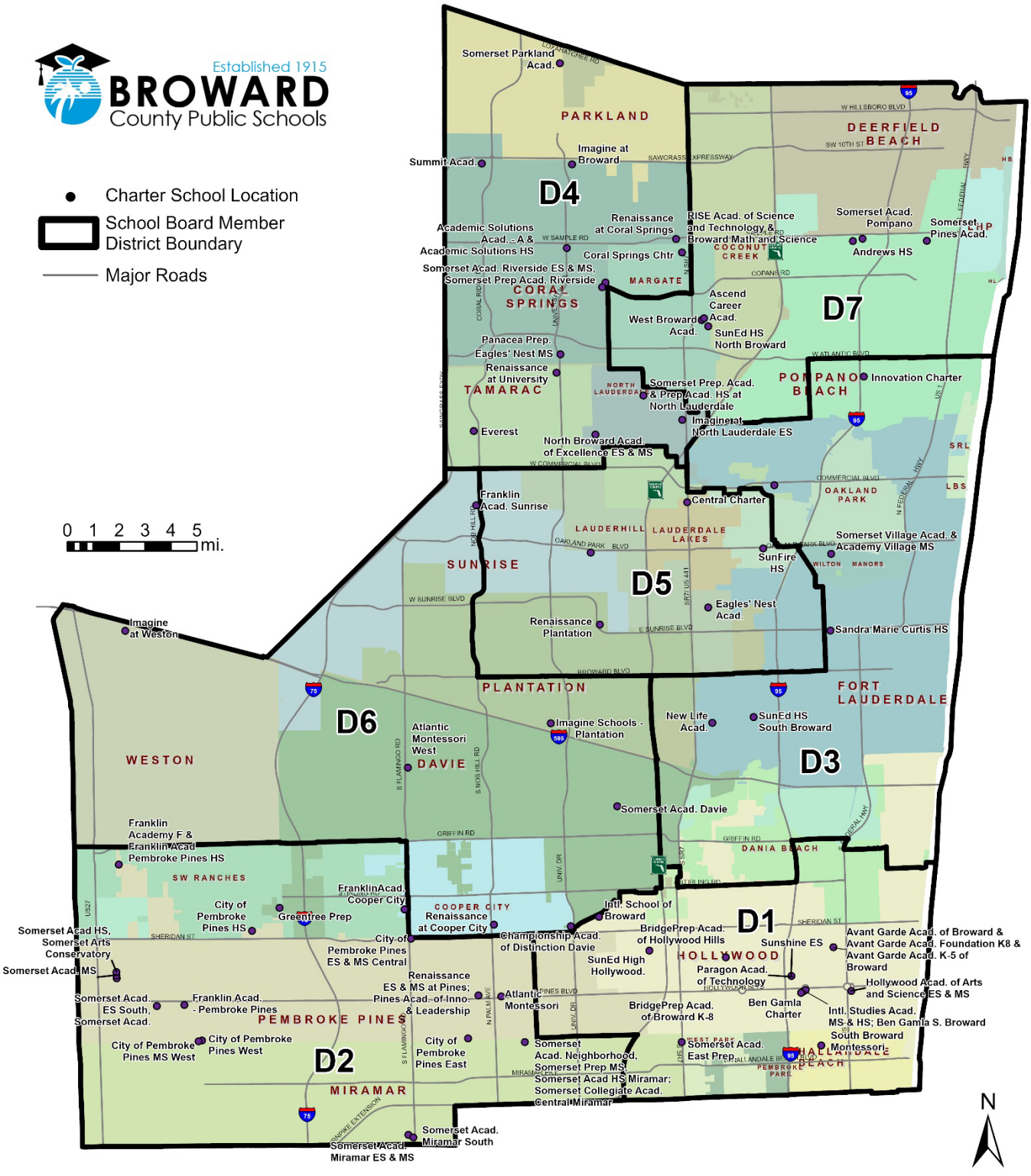
Charter school enrollment had been increasing steadily since charter schools came online in Broward County, and total charter school enrollment increased by an average of 790 students per year 2018-19 to 2023-24. That year marked the peak in total charter school enrollment in Broward County, at 49,833, but since then charter school enrollment has been decreasing, and by 2026-27, overall charter enrollment had dropped by 3,084 students since the 2023-24 peak. Charter school enrollment shows a distinct geographic pattern within Broward County, with the heaviest concentration of schools, and the resulting high proportion of students attending them, along an east-west access in the southern portion of the county, and to a lesser degree in the center-north part of the county. Conversely, in areas of the county with fewer charter school sites, there are lower rates of students attending charter schools. The following maps show charter school locations in the 2026-27 school year, and the percentage of residing students per District school boundary who attend charter schools, for elementary, middle, and high levels. The Districtwide rate of charter school attendance is 20.8% in 2026-27

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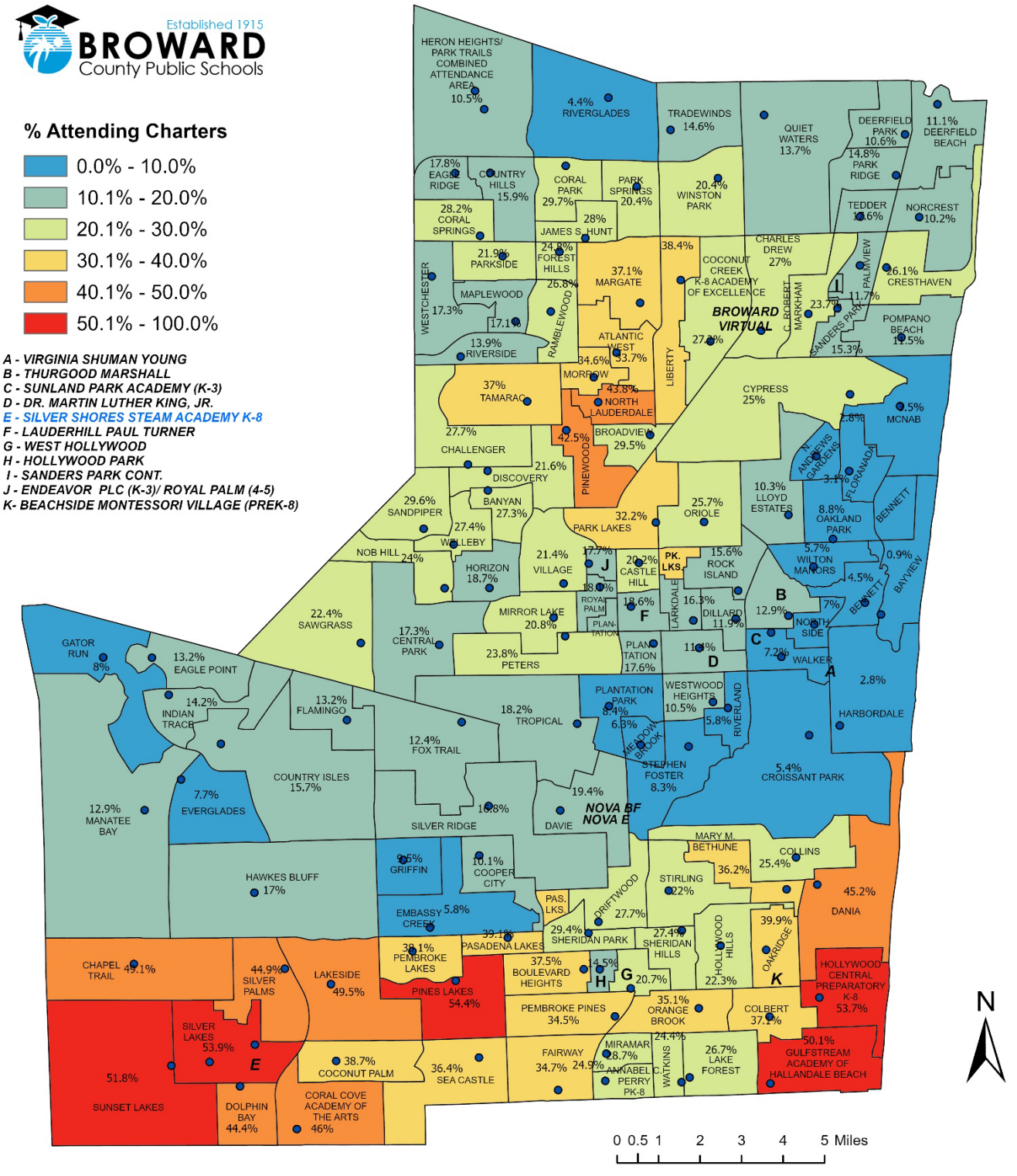
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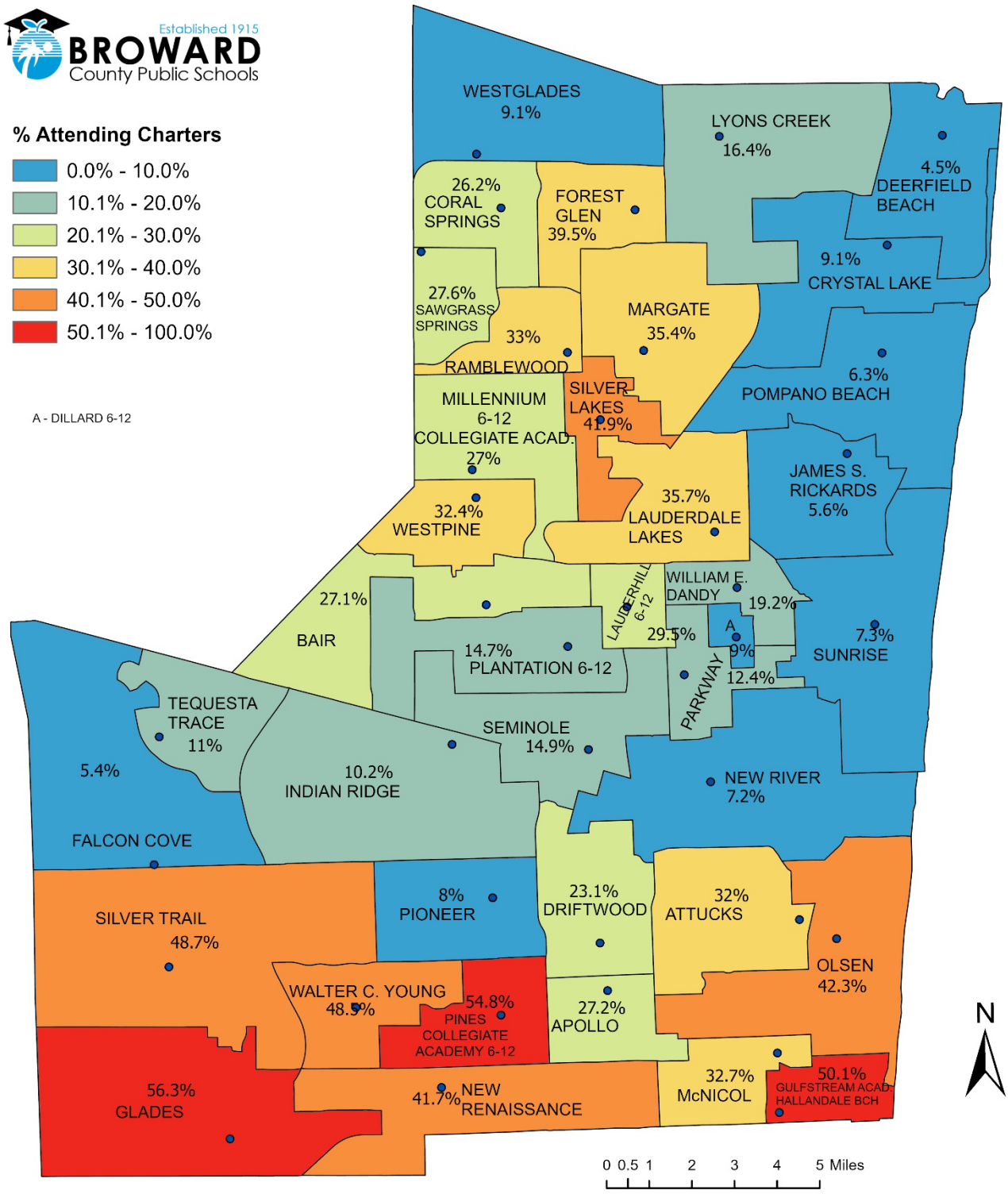
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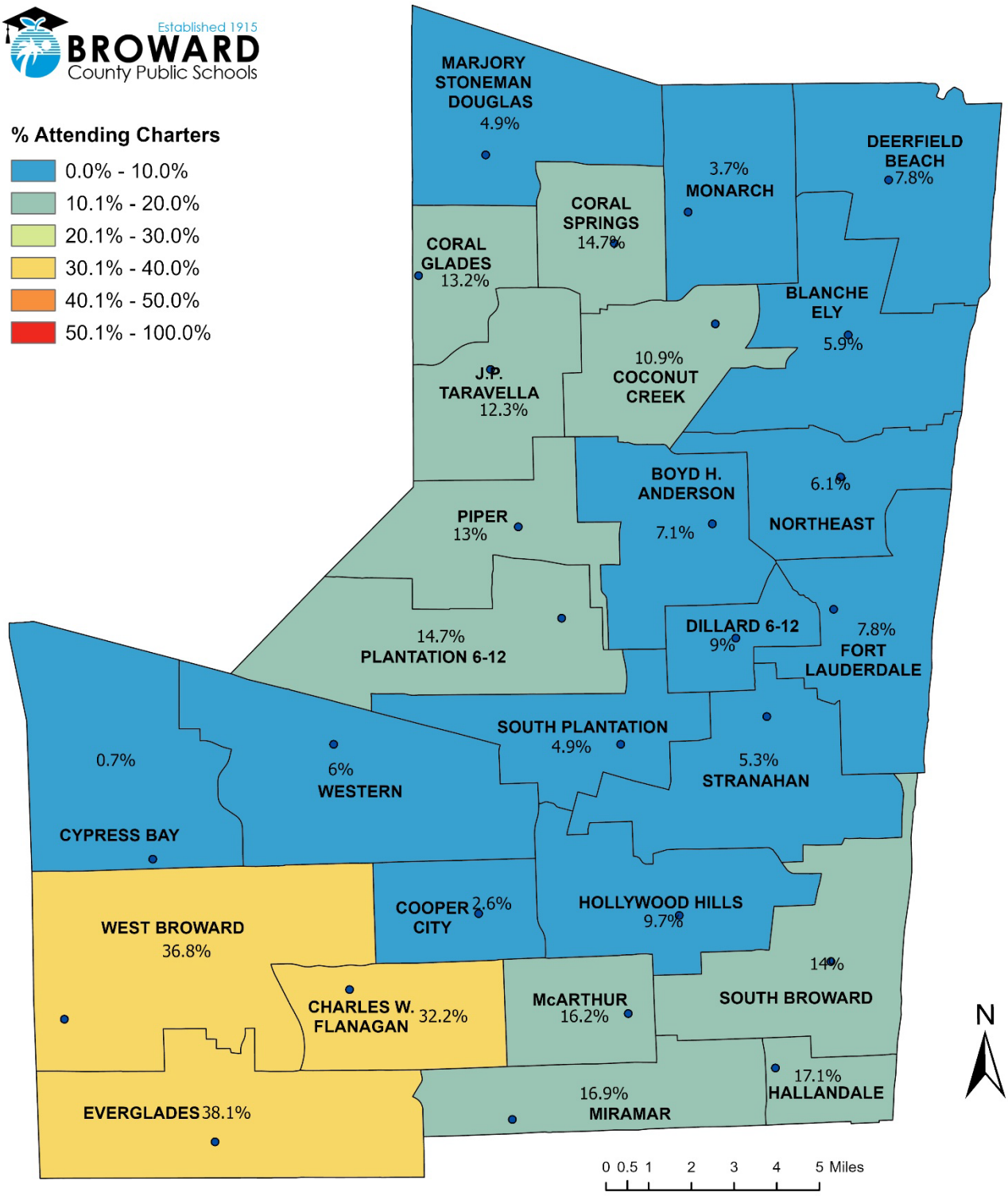
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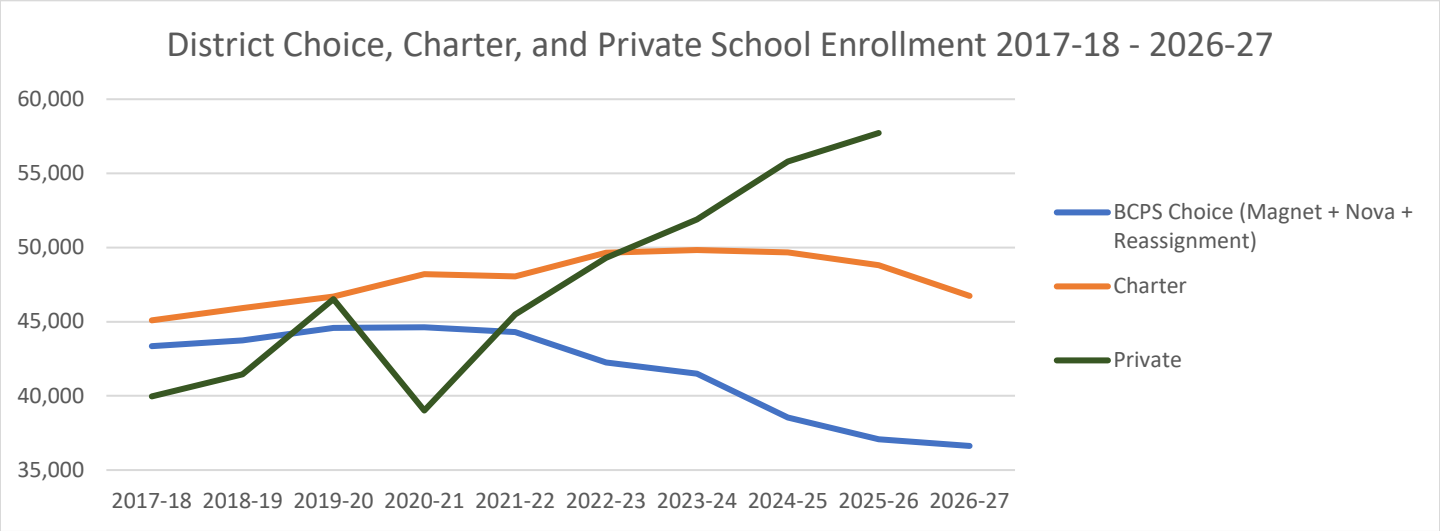
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9.4 Private Schools

Private school enrollment is a bit more challenging to capture, as these students are not registered in the District's student information system. The Florida Department of Education reports private school enrollment by county, however they report each year's enrollment in the following fall or later, so there is a lag between private and public school enrollment data. Students attending private schools may or may not be doing so with the assistance of the state-operated voucher program, the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options (FES-EO). The most current private school enrollment data (still provisional) is the 2025-26 school year. In 2025-26, 57,724 students attended private schools in Broward County, and of these 35,491 did so with an FES-EO voucher. The table below shows students enrolled in charter and private schools in Broward County, along with those in District school choice programs within BCPS, from 2017-18 through 2026-27.

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
BCPS Choice (Magnet + Nova + Reassignment)	43,354	43,745	44,582	44,626	44,300	42,261	41,501	38,534	37,083	36,626
Charter	45,093	45,919	46,704	48,208	48,046	49,663	49,833	49,667	48,820	46,749
Private	39,957	41,460	46,521	39,012	45,493	49,314	51,901	55,798	57,724	



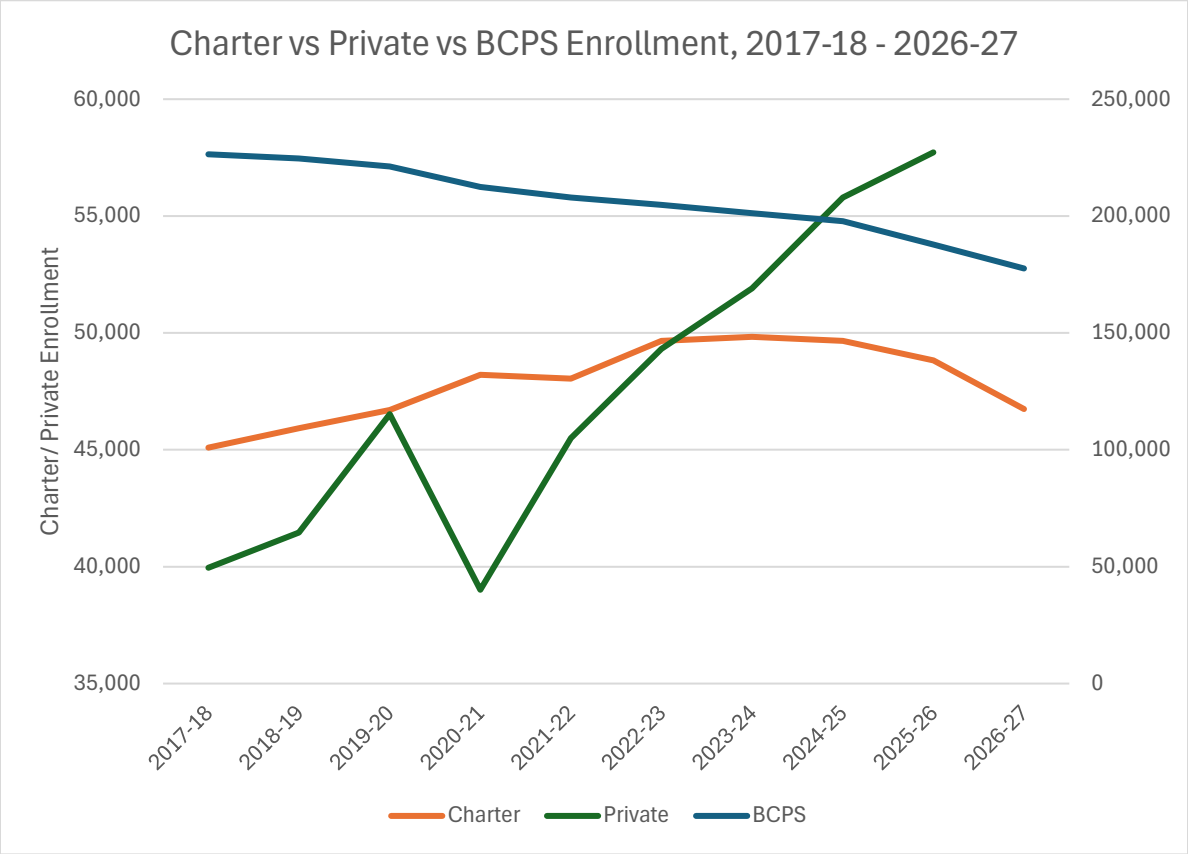
As can be seen in the graph above, enrollment in District School Choice options has been decreasing relative to both charter school and private school enrollment. Noteworthy is the recent trend of decreasing enrollment in charter schools as well, while private school enrollment in Broward County has been rapidly increasing since 2020-21.

This recent increase in private school enrollment is correlated to the availability of tuition vouchers through the FES-EO program. The graph and table below show total District, charter school and private school enrollment from 2015-16 through 2026-27, identifying the beginning year for FES-EO and the corresponding upward trend in private school enrollment.

Total District, charter school, and private school enrollment, 2015-16 - 2026-27

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
BCPS	226,424	224,631	221,266	212,507	207,975	204,721	201,273	197,834	187,847	177,575
Charter	45,093	45,919	46,704	48,208	48,046	49,663	49,833	49,667	48,820	46,749
Private	39,957	41,460	46,521	39,012	45,493	49,314	51,901	55,798	57,724	

1st year of the Family Empowerment Scholarship program



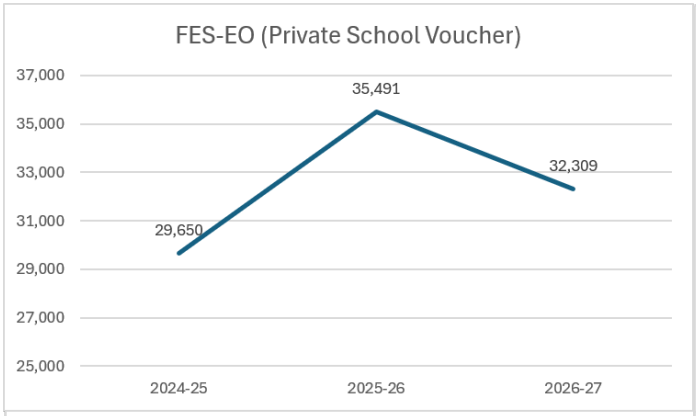
Despite the rapidly increasing enrollment in private schools, participation data for 2026-27 in both the FES-EO private school voucher and the Personalized Education Program (PEP) home education voucher, show that, at least in Broward County, these alternative educational options are possibly starting to be affected by the same factors driving enrollment decrease in both District and charter schools.

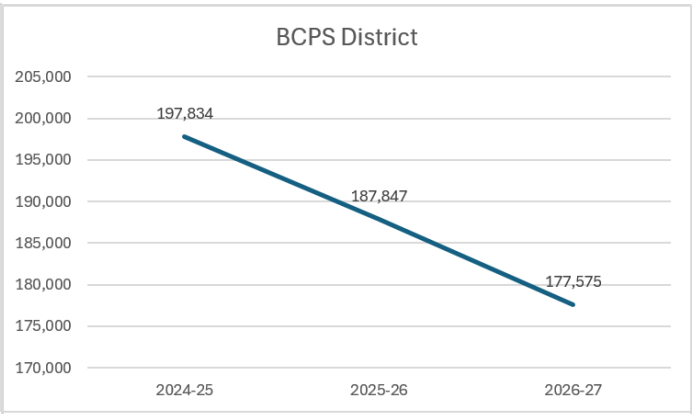
The table and graphs below show enrollment in BCPS District and charter schools, along with the numbers of students in Broward County receiving FES-EO and PEP vouchers from 2024-25 through 2026-27, illustrating the decrease in the number of voucher recipients in 2026-27 as compared with 2025-25.

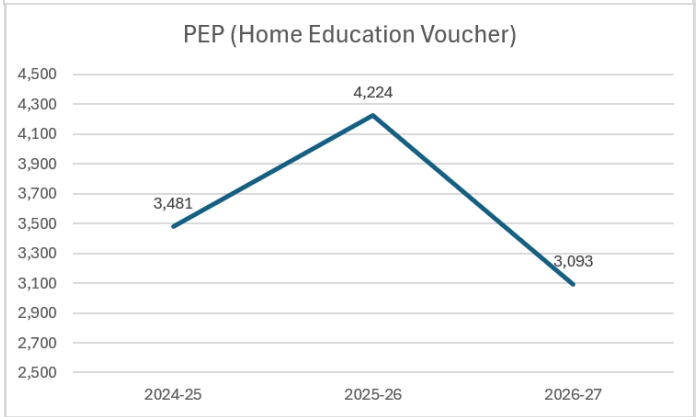
BCPS District, Charter, and FES-EO and PEP Scholarship Enrollment
2024-25 - 2026-27

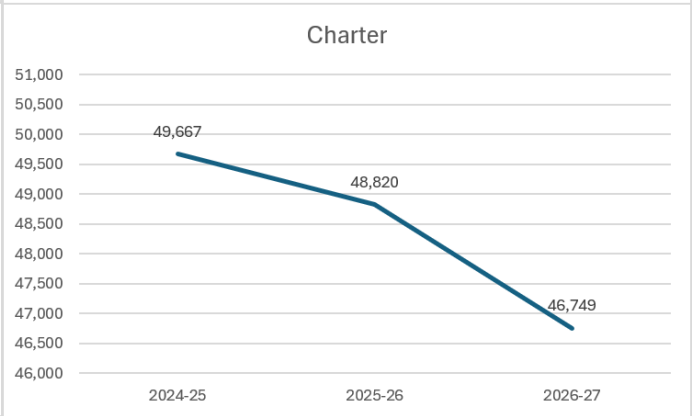
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
FES-EO (Private School Voucher)	29,650	35,491	32,309
PEP (Home Education Voucher)	3,481	4,224	3,093
Voucher Total	**33,131**	**39,715**	**35,402**
Charter	49,667	48,820	46,749
BCPS District	197,834	187,847	177,575
District + Charter Total	**247,501**	**236,667**	**224,324**

Data source: FES / PEP enrollment: Fall Student Report from FLDOE Division of Finance and Operations; Charter and BCPS District enrollment: annual benchmark enrollment report 2024-25 to 2026-27









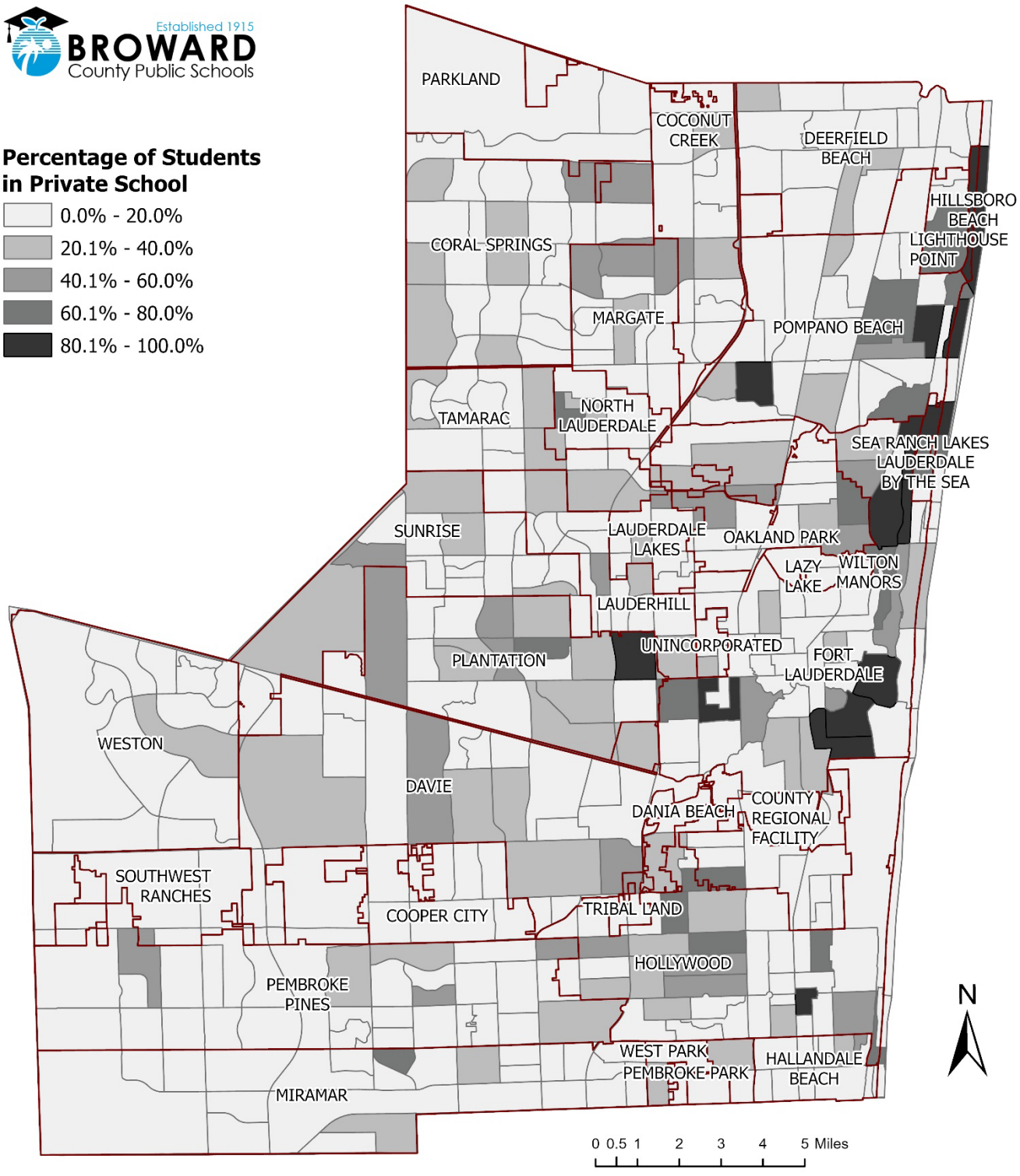
Linking private school attendance to specific school boundaries is not currently possible. The best source of geographically linked private school attendance information comes from the *US Census American Community Survey (ACS) 2024 Five-Year Estimates "Sex by School Enrollment by Level of School by Type of School for the Population 3 Years and Over*", for which 2024 is the most recent available data. ACS data is reported at the census tract level, and while tracts do not align with school attendance areas, they do align very well with municipal boundaries. It is therefore possible to show private school enrollment disaggregated by first through fourth grade, fifth through eighth grade, and ninth through twelfth grade level, by census tract with corresponding city boundaries. The table below reports private school enrollment by Broward municipality and the three following maps show the percentage of K-12 students enrolled in private school by Census tract.

Private School Enrollment in Broward County by Municipality, 2024 (American Community Survey)

City	K-12 TOTAL ENROLLMENT	K-12 PRIVATE ENROLLMENT	K-12 % PRIVATE	1ST - 4TH GRADE TOTAL ENROLLMENT	1ST - 4TH GRADE PRIVATE ENROLLMENT	1ST - 4TH % PRIVATE	5TH - 8TH GRADE TOTAL ENROLLMENT	5TH - 8TH GRADE PRIVATE ENROLLMENT	5TH - 8TH % PRIVATE	9TH - 12TH GRADE TOTAL ENROLLMENT	9TH - 12TH GRADE PRIVATE ENROLLMENT	9TH - 12TH % PRIVATE
COCONUT CREEK	7,665	1,124	14.7%	1,965	163	8.3%	2,096	224	10.7%	2,895	429	14.8%
COOPER CITY	6,705	742	11.1%	1,754	178	10.1%	2,311	241	10.4%	2,020	225	11.1%
CORAL SPRINGS	25,949	2,968	11.4%	7,804	1,049	13.4%	7,462	740	9.9%	8,835	1,015	11.5%
COUNTY REGIONAL FACILITY	172	5	2.9%	108	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	44	5	11.4%
DANIA BEACH	4,710	1,070	22.7%	949	180	19.0%	1,577	393	24.9%	1,895	375	19.8%
DAVIE	17,717	3,018	17.0%	4,945	810	16.4%	5,222	978	18.7%	6,249	980	15.7%
DEERFIELD BEACH	11,144	1,432	12.8%	3,567	385	10.8%	3,523	275	7.8%	3,153	449	14.2%
FORT LAUDERDALE	21,402	4,717	22.0%	6,142	1,523	24.8%	6,591	1,496	22.7%	7,161	1,479	20.7%
HALLANDALE BEACH	3,825	596	15.6%	928	64	6.9%	1,290	177	13.7%	1,430	335	23.4%
HILLSBORO BEACH	87	45	51.7%	33	33	100.0%	42	0	0.0%	12	12	100.0%
HOLLYWOOD	22,581	4,475	19.8%	6,983	1,355	19.4%	7,483	1,556	20.8%	6,710	1,258	18.7%
LAUDERDALE BY THE SEA	209	121	57.9%	108	64	59.3%	92	51	55.4%	9	6	66.7%
LAUDERDALE LAKES	6,158	605	9.8%	1,623	151	9.3%	2,137	311	14.6%	1,868	62	3.3%
LAUDERHILL	12,987	2,092	16.1%	4,307	829	19.2%	4,214	749	17.8%	3,374	439	13.0%
LIGHTHOUSE POINT	954	467	49.0%	369	170	46.1%	330	150	45.5%	176	94	53.4%
MARGATE	9,481	1,536	16.2%	3,211	649	20.2%	2,609	438	16.8%	3,005	420	14.0%
MIRAMAR	22,718	2,444	10.8%	6,155	623	10.1%	7,298	906	12.4%	7,536	761	10.1%
NORTH LAUDERDALE	6,529	926	14.2%	1,712	300	17.5%	2,210	227	10.3%	2,117	170	8.0%
OAKLAND PARK	7,445	1,028	13.8%	2,455	415	16.9%	2,090	190	9.1%	2,407	228	9.5%
PARKLAND	10,118	1,310	12.9%	2,656	294	11.1%	2,983	279	9.4%	3,908	661	16.9%
PEMBROKE PARK	1,575	81	5.1%	331	10	3.0%	659	12	1.8%	580	59	10.2%
PEMBROKE PINES	24,566	3,805	15.5%	7,244	820	11.3%	8,680	1,625	18.7%	7,336	1,158	15.8%
PLANTATION	14,282	3,833	26.8%	3,931	1,173	29.8%	5,162	1,120	21.7%	3,954	1,299	32.9%
POMPANO BEACH	15,157	2,394	15.8%	4,406	636	14.4%	4,688	968	20.6%	4,801	532	11.1%
SEA RANCH LAKES	229	219	95.6%	26	17	65.4%	92	91	98.9%	107	107	100.0%
SOUTHWEST RANCHES	3,162	494	15.6%	760	48	6.3%	721	139	19.3%	1,287	230	17.9%
SUNRISE	15,275	2,030	13.3%	4,393	644	14.7%	4,847	547	11.3%	4,739	539	11.4%
TAMARAC	10,190	1,369	13.4%	2,702	337	12.5%	3,213	449	14.0%	3,542	491	13.9%
TRIBAL LAND	786	84	10.7%	232	33	14.2%	284	51	18.0%	259	0	0.0%
UNINCORPORATED	3,369	287	8.5%	1,287	108	8.4%	968	33	3.4%	761	28	3.7%
WEST PARK	2,586	463	17.9%	657	42	6.4%	1,010	397	39.3%	621	24	3.9%
WESTON	16,009	1,412	8.8%	3,284	239	7.3%	5,514	461	8.4%	6,351	668	10.5%
WILTON MANORS	264	100	37.9%	69	0	0.0%	129	46	35.7%	66	54	81.8%
Grand Total	**306,006**	**47,292**	**15.5%**	**87,096**	**13,342**	**15.3%**	**97,527**	**15,320**	**15.7%**	**99,208**	**14,592**	**14.7%**

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% of Students Enrolled in Private Schools by Census Tract
Kindergarten - 4th Grade
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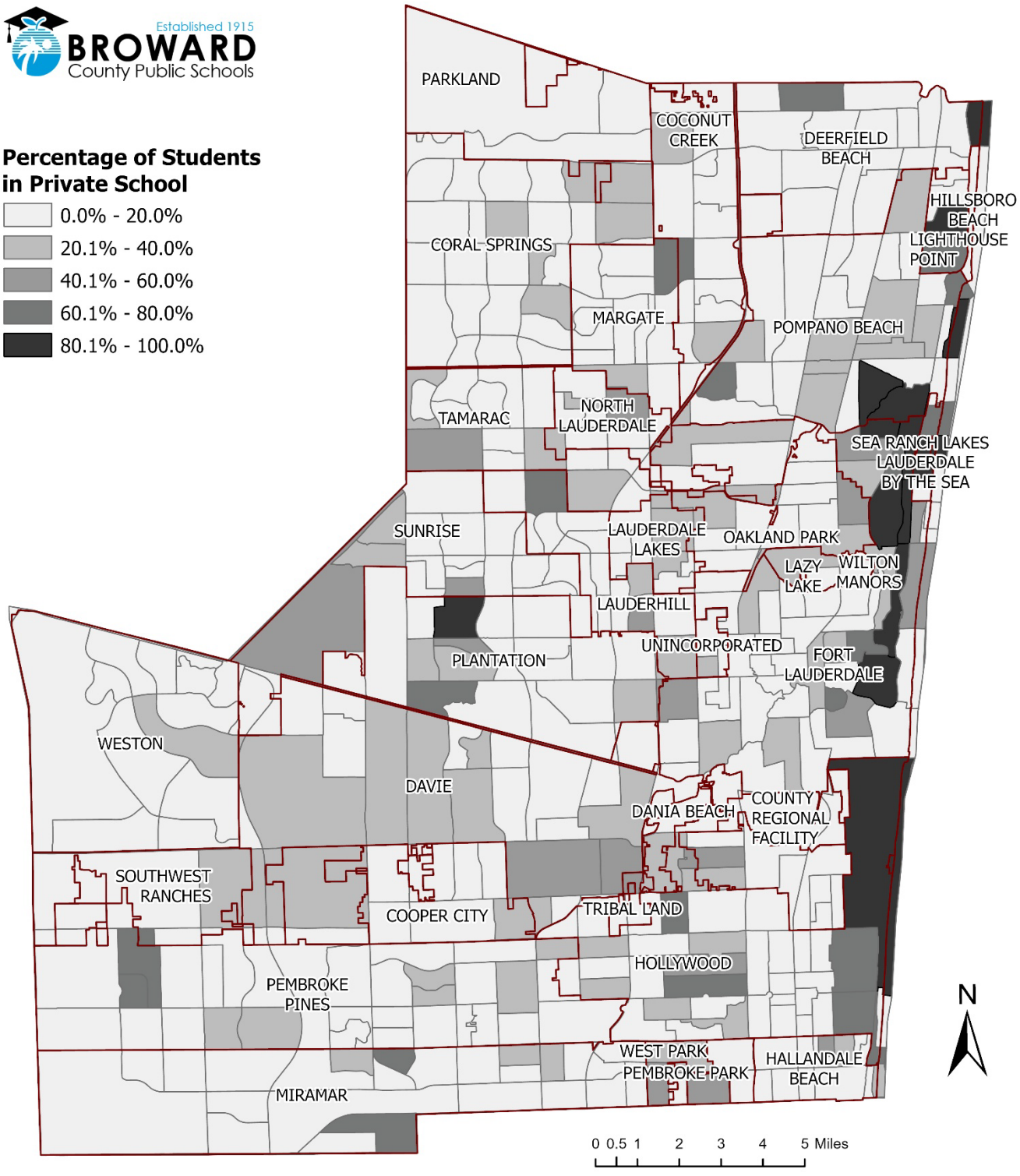


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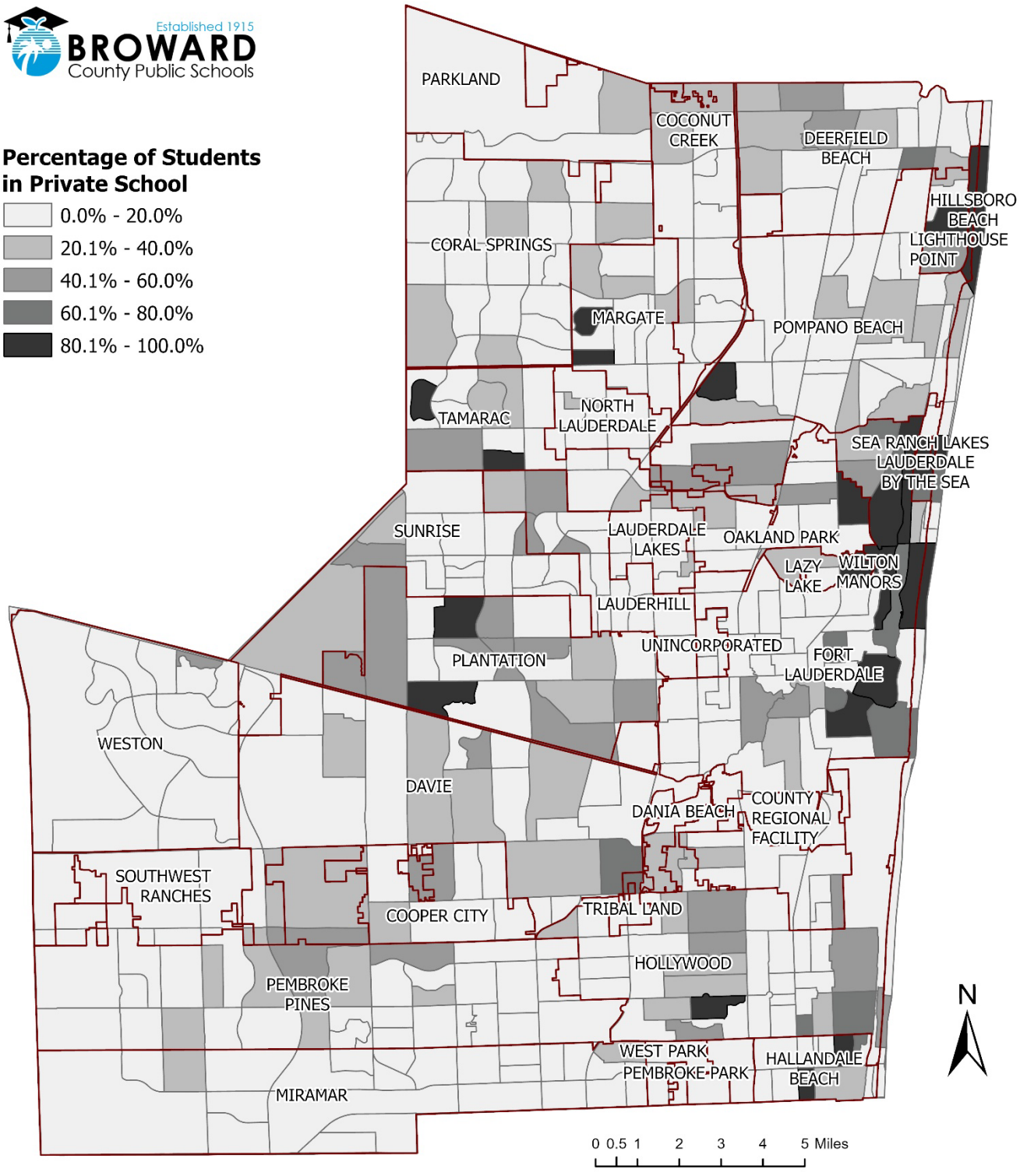


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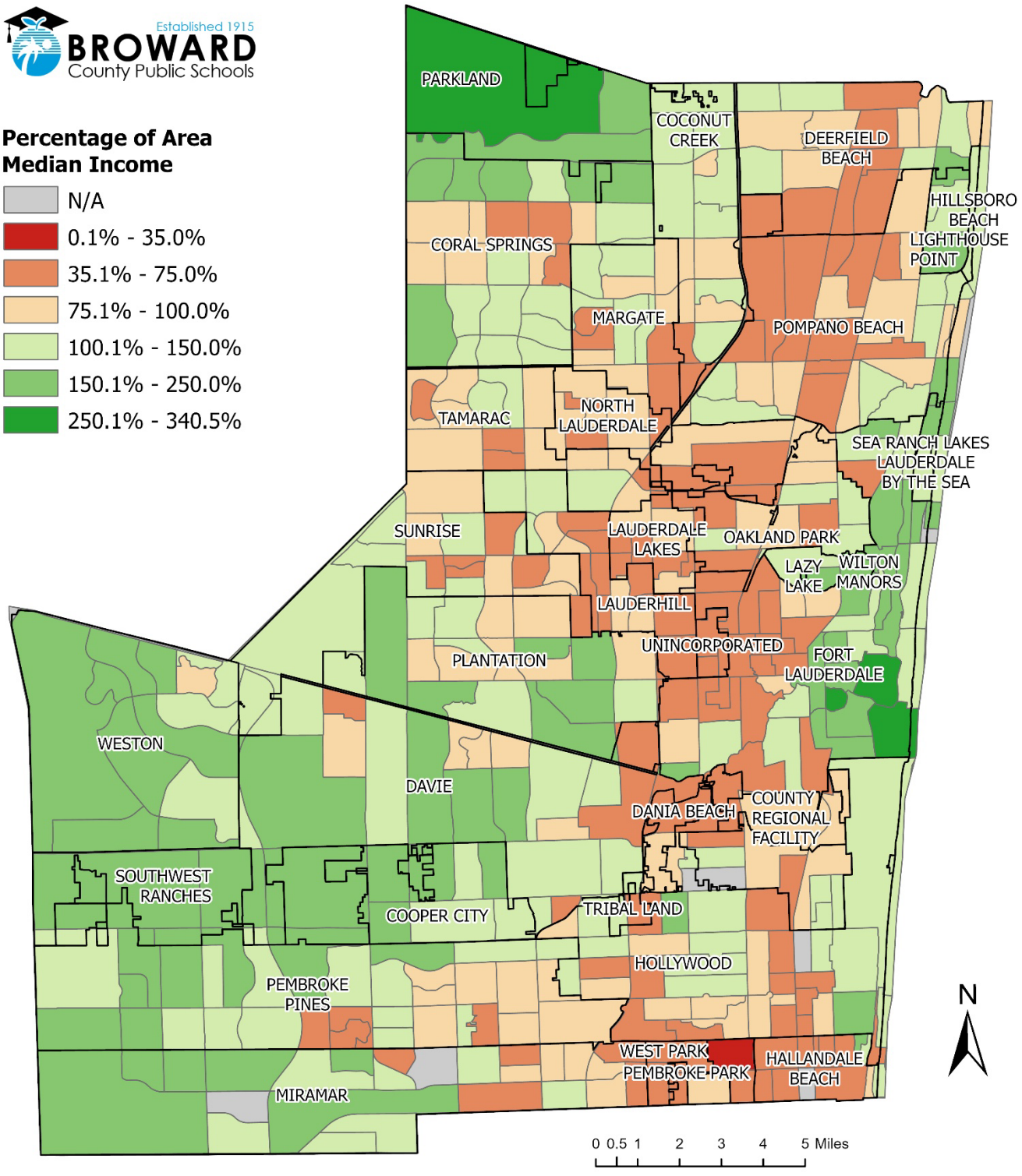
10. Household Income in Broward County

The following map shows, by United States Census Tract, the income percentage of the area median income throughout Broward County.

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Income Percentage of Area Median Income by Census Tract

2024



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11. Historical Context

BCPS operates a handful of schools with historically significant buildings on their campuses. The Old Dillard Museum, located on the site of Walker Elementary, dates to 1924 and is the oldest building in use at any school in the county. Deerfield Beach, North Side, and Oakland Park Elementary Schools, all opened in 1927 and have original buildings still standing on their campuses. Wherever possible and practicable, consideration should be given to honoring and preserving these historic structures, if conversations around school repurposing touch on these schools.

In addition to maintaining historic structures, BCPS has an obligation to acknowledge its troubled past regarding civil rights and its treatment of Non-White students. From its inception in 1915 until the mid-1960s, Broward County operated fully racially segregated schools, and Black students were not permitted to attend White schools. The trauma engendered by racial segregation is still vivid in the memories of many of Broward County's residents, and though most of the former sites of all-Black schools have been demolished or converted to other uses over the years, ten formerly segregated Black schools are still in operation today.

The following table shows the full list of segregated Black schools that historically operated in Broward County along with their status, and the accompanying map shows the formerly all-Black schools still in operation today. The very important role that these schools have played in the history of Broward County, and for the Civil Rights movement as a whole, should always inform any discussions around the future use of these facilities.

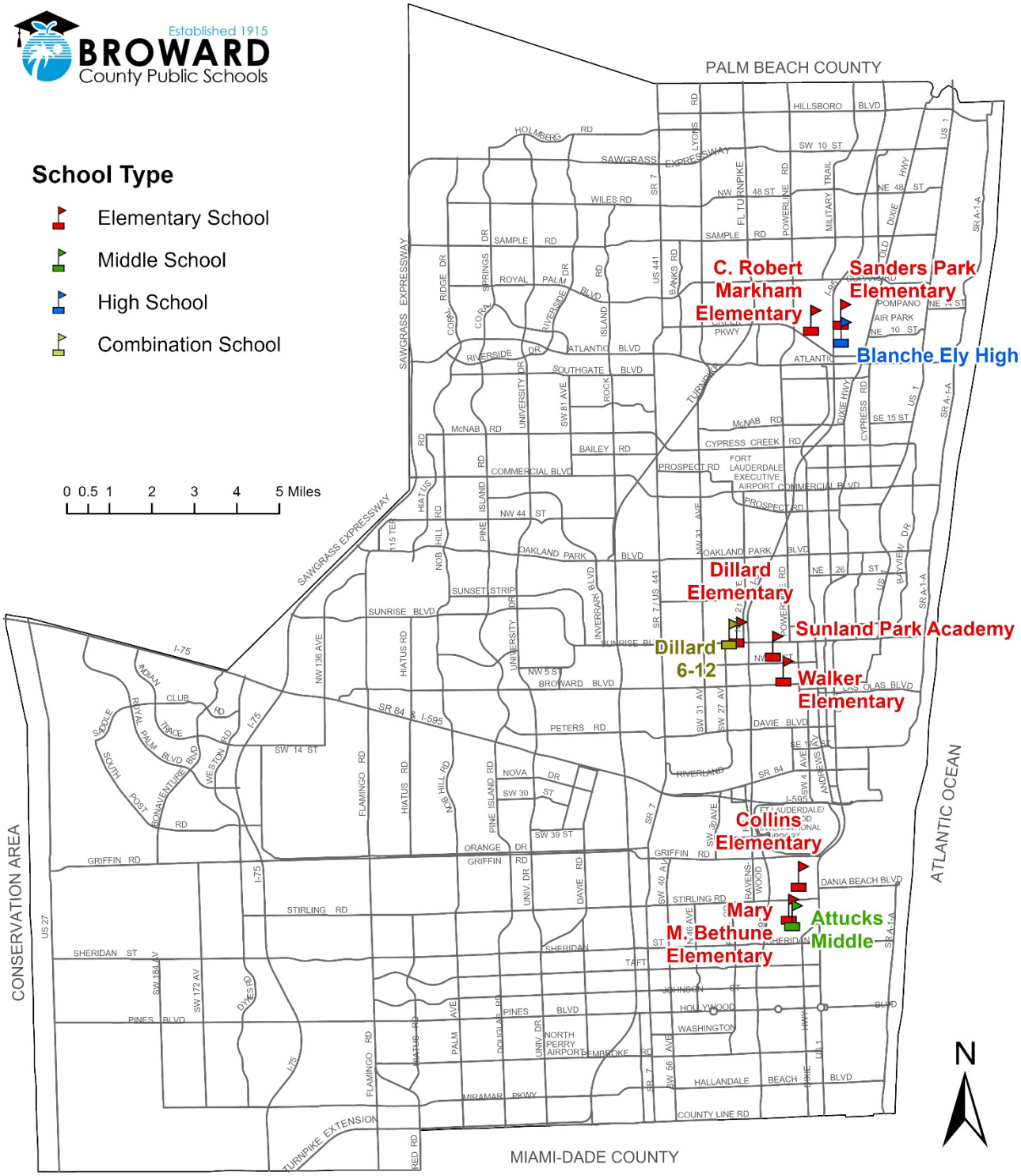
	Historic and Factual School Name	Notes
1	B.F. James Elementary School, Hallandale [18]	Now B.F. James Park and Municipal Swimming Pool.
2	Bethune Elementary, 2400 Meade St., Hollywood	
3	Blanche Ely High School, Pompano, opened 1952, still in use	
4	**Braithwaite School, a Rosenwald school, opened 1929, demolished**	
5	Carver Ranches Elementary School, 2201 S. 44th Ave., West Hollywood, now West Park	Now Carver Ranches Boys and Girls Club.
6	Charles Drew Elementary School	
7	Chester A. Moore Elementary School, 912 Pembroke Rd., Hallandale, demolished	
8	Collins Elementary School, 1050 NW 2nd St., Dania	
9	Colored School No. 11, NW 3rd Ave. and 2nd St, later known as Dillard School, then Walker Elementary School, 1925. Building houses the Old Dillard School Museum.	
10	Crispus Attucks High School, Hollywood	
11	Dania Colored School, 1905, in the St. Ruth Missionary Baptist Church. Another school built 1917.	
12	Davie Negro School	
13	**Deerfield Colored School, opened 1903, first school for African Americans in Broward County**	
14	Dillard Elementary School, 1959. At one time was Dillard High School, Ft. Lauderdale.	
15	Fort Lauderdale Colored	
16	**Hallandale Rosenwald School, 1929**	
17	Lanier Junior High School, 1st Ave. and 9th St., Hallandale	
18	Hammondsville Colored School	
19	**Liberia Rosenwald School, also known as Attucks School, 3600 NW 22 Ave., Hollywood, 1929**	
20	Lincoln Park Elementary, 600 NW 19th Ave.	Now City of Fort Lauderdale Code Enforcement Department
21	Markham Park Elementary School	
22	Oakland Park Negro School, later Carter G. Woodson Elementary School, 3721 NE 5th Ave.	Now Carter G. Woodson Park
23	One-room school at Pompano Migratory Labor Camp	
24	Pompano Colored School, 718 NW 6th St., 1928, renamed Coleman Elementary School in 1954, demolished	
25	Pompano Project Elementary School	
26	Sanders Park Elementary School	
27	Sunland Park Elementary, 919 NW 13th Ave.	

Still in operation 2023/24
Confirmed demolished

Bold font indicates former Rosenwald School.

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