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FLDOE Releases Report of Annual Grades

Brooksville – Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) released its annual report of school and district grades earlier today. For the 8th straight year, the Hernando School District (HCSd) earned a grade of “B” with 59% in total points, an increase of 1% from 2023 assessment results. For 2024, FLDOE applied more rigorous scaled scores to determine school and district grades. Even with the more challenging scaled scores, none of HCSd schools were graded below a “C” for 2024 and several moved up a letter grade.

Districtwide, 2024 results showed increases in:

English Language Arts (ELA) Achievement increased by 4% points – (2024) 50% (2023) 46%

Math Achievement increased by 2% points – (2024) 49% to (2023) 47%

Social Studies Achievement increased by 4% points – (2024) 64% (2023) 60%

MS Acceleration increased by 4% points – (2024) 67% (2023) 63%

The area which showed the greatest increase is in the area of College and Career Acceleration. The 2024 results showed schools earned a total of 59% points, an increase of 11% points from 2023!

Four of the district’s schools improved by a full letter grade: Weeki Wachee High (WWHS), Springstead High (SHS) and West Hernando Middle (WHMS) all moved from a C to a B and Fox Chapel Middle (FCMS) moved up to a C from the 2023 grade of D. Schools maintaining an A were Chocachatti Elementary (CES), Challenger K8 (CK8), Gulf Coast Academy (GCA) and Hernando e-School. Schools maintaining a B were Suncoast Elementary (SES), Westside Elementary (WES), Gulf Coast Elementary (GCE) and Nature Coast Technical High (NCTH).

Schools with notable gains:

- SHS: US History increased 16%
- WWHS: ELA increased 14%
- CHS: Largest gains in the College and Career Acceleration component increasing 28%
- WHMS: Math increased by 13%
- FCMS: Increased their overall percent of total points by 12%
- CK8: 91% of students earned a Middle Acceleration point
- CES: Increased their science proficiency by 11%

“These results affirm the incredible focus that our teachers, school administrators and instructional staff maintained throughout the school year to prepare students, said Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning Gina Michalicka. “I know that over the next few weeks, school teams will be diving deep into their results to find opportunities to improve. Today, we extend congratulations to all of our schools who dedicate each day to helping students succeed.”