

A Blueprint for School Transformation

School District of Indian River County (2020-2025)
January 2020





SDIRC 2019 in Review



Bright Spots

- Osceola Magnet School with grade "A" for 5 consecutive years;
 Beachland Elementary, Liberty Magnet School, Osceola Magnet School, Rosewood Magnet School, all grade "A" for 2018-2019.
- "Commendable" School Improvement Rating for the Wabasso School for 2018-2019.
- TCTC "97% first time pass rates" on the LPN NCLEX-PN licensure exams since 2010; recognized in the "Top 60 Nursing Schools in Florida."
- Graduation rates for Black students improved from 65% in 14-15 to 81% in 18-19.



Ethings Bright Spots

- Graduation rates for students with disabilities improved from 58% in 14-15 to 78% in 18-19.
- FL-PBIS Model School Gold Status (3 schools) & Silver Status (8 schools) for 2018-2019.
- SDIRC 2019 Principal, Teacher, & School-Related Employee of the Year named as State Finalists.
- VBHS Fighting Indians State Record for Most Consecutive Regular Season Wins!!! 2019



What does success for every student look like?

Vision

Educate & inspire every student to be successful.

Mission

To serve all students with excellence.





A Need for Re-Envisioning Excellence in the SDIRC?

Demographics: A Comparison





Subgroup (% of total student population)	Indian River	Miami-Dade
Number of Students	17,924	350,606
Number of Schools	27	392
White (Non-Hispanic)	54%	7%
Black (Non-Hispanic)	17%	20%
Hispanic	23%	72%
English Language Learners	5%	20%
Economically-Disadvantaged	58%	69%
Students with Disabilities	16%	11%

Sources: FLDOE Education Information Portal, 2019 & 2020; www.dadeschools.net; www.indianriverschools.org

Allocation Comparison: Elementary





	Elementary School	Elementary School	
	School Grade = C	School Grade = A	
	Number		
Students	623	628	
Economically Disadvantaged	493	540	
Administrators	2	2	
Instructional Staff	39	43	
Instructional Support	21	5	
Non-Instructional Support	11	4	



Allocation Comparison: Secondary





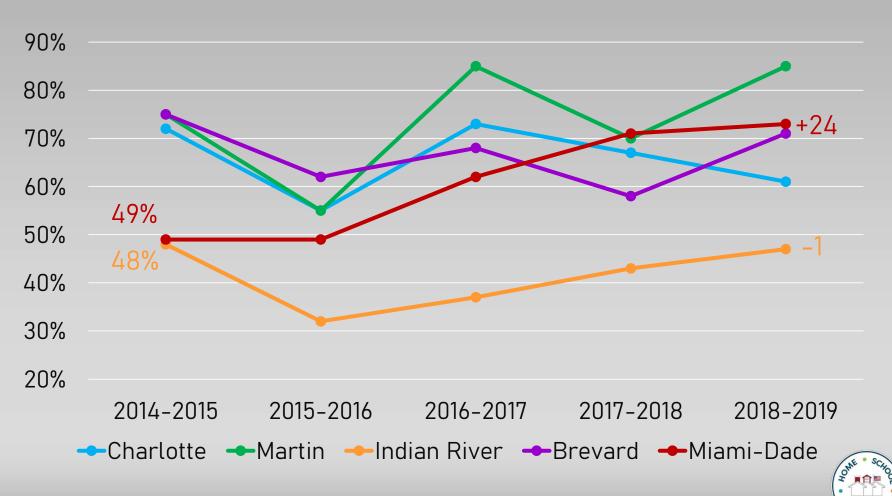
	High School	High School	
	School Grade = C	School Grade = A	
	Number		
Students	1895	2028	
Economically Disadvantaged	1019	1273	
Administrators	5	4	
Instructional Staff	100	74	
Instructional Support	19	23	
Non-Instructional Support	28	15	



Distribution of School Grades 2019: A Quick Look

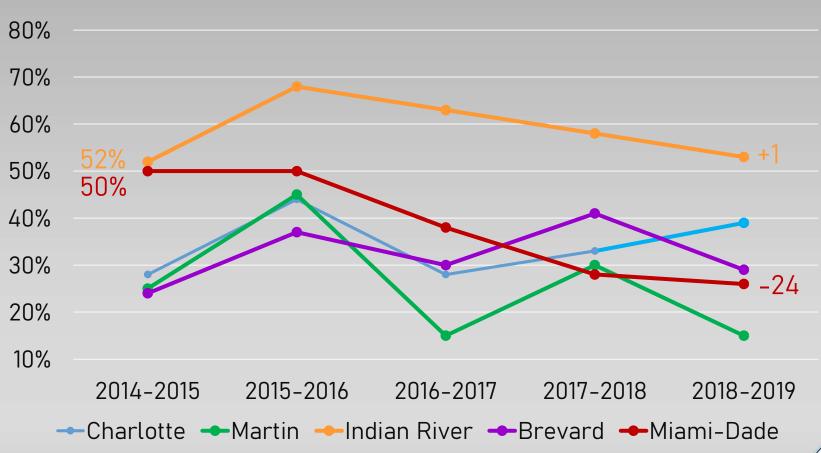


Percentage of Schools – Grades A & B



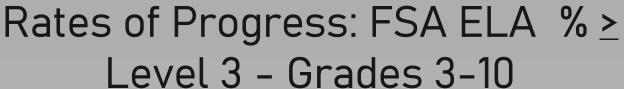
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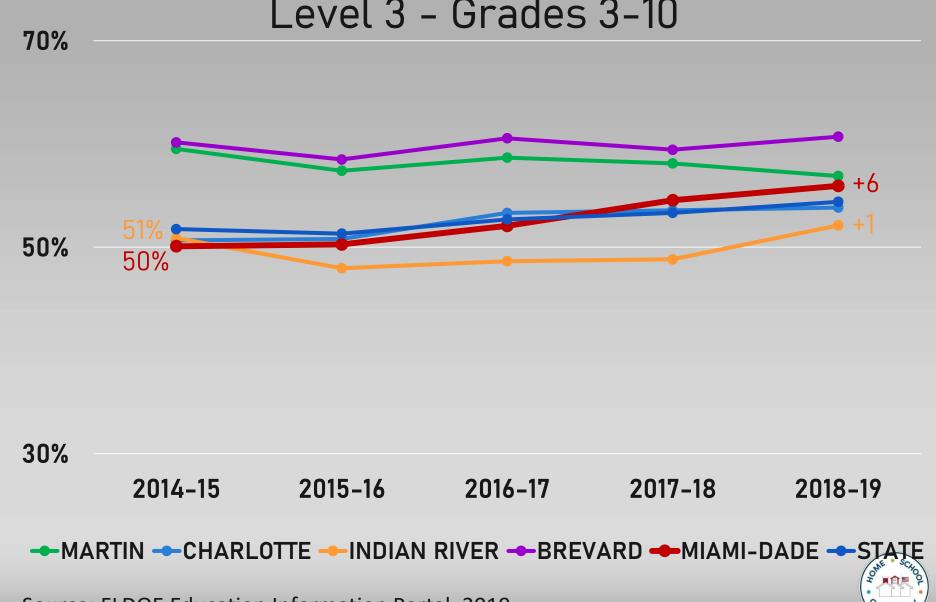
Percentage of Schools – Grades C – F



Source: FLDOE, 2019

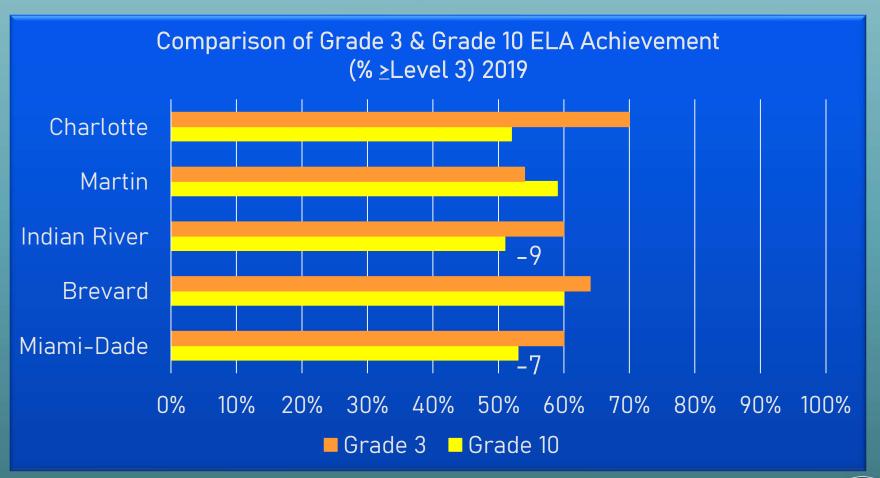






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The "Case" for School Re-Envisioning: A Deeper Dive

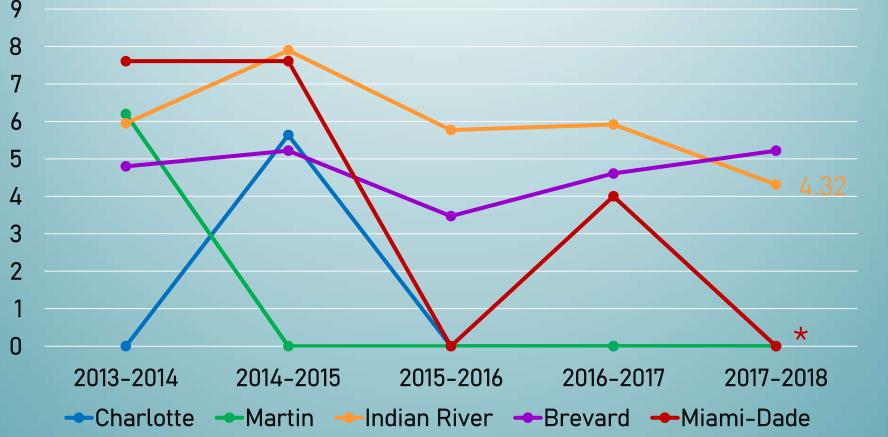


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Black Students with Disabilities Suspended/Expelled >10 Days (Risk Ratios)



*A data point of "0" on the above table indicates that less than 10 students received removals for >10 days.



Source: FLDOE LEA Profiles 2015-2019

A Financial Snapshot

	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
Annual Budget (All Funds)	\$ 268,170,175			\$ 289,955,545	
Actual End- of-Year Total Fund Balance (June 30) General Fund Only	\$ 26,054,000	\$ 25,252,791	\$ 18,655,172	\$ 17,409,387	TBD
Ending Fund Balance as a Percent of Revenues (General Fund Only)	18%	18%	13%	12%	TBD

Theory of Action

If we clearly define the expectations and behaviors that exemplify school excellence for all 21st Century Learners and implement actions in alignment with these expectations and behaviors, then higher levels of student learning will be achieved.





Superintendent's Goals to Be Achieved During the Re-envisioning Process



- Ensure a seamless transition and more robust learning outcomes for all children
- Build a productive and collaborative relationship with the Indian River County School Board
- Create opportunities to gain a deep understanding of Indian River County Schools from a multitude of stakeholders and gain insight into all key aspects of the District
- Build excitement and momentum within the School District of Indian River County as we collaboratively engage in needed change to ensure continuous improvement



- Develop plans that explicitly define the needed actions
- Identify key priorities that ensure we are fully enhancing & supporting instruction Accelerate feedback loops



The "Why" Behind Guiding Principles

- Ensures common language and communication among stakeholders
- Provides points of reference for all work
- Promotes consistency and sustainability in course of actions

Making Data Our Superpower

- Use high quality, actionable data.
- Disaggregate data to guide meaningful & precise changes.
- Link action steps & strategies to root causes to eliminate identified barriers.
- Frequently monitor to guard against big data "pitfalls".



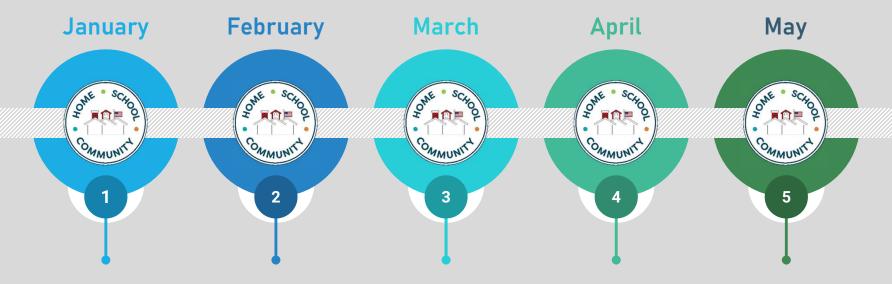




Avoid: Integration Failure



Redefining Excellence: Cultivating Conditions for Learning



PHASE II: **LISTEN & LEARN**

IDENTIFY & GATHER STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK & **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

CLEARLY DEFINE THE CURRENT **REALITY & OPPORTUNITIES** FOR **IMPROVEMENT**

PHASE III: CONSENSUS BUILDING & IMPLEMENTATION **PLAN**

DEVELOP & INITIATE IMPLEMENTATION REFINEMENT OF OF DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN & SCHOOL SITE **IMPLEMENTATION PLANS**

CONDUCT INITIAL EVALUATION & DISTRICT & SCHOOL SITE **IMPLEMENTATION PLANS**

GATHER & **ANALYZE SUMMATIVE DATA** TO GUIDE **MODIFICATIONS TO ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION**

Opportunities for Improvement

- Create authentic opportunities for teachers to support & grow together.
- Maximize opportunities to provide school choice.
- Create schools that students look forward to attending.
- Initiate a principal/assistant principal pipeline to cultivate future leaders.
- Re-envision the school improvement process & School Improvement Plans.
- Review school start times.

Opportunities for Improvement











- Establish a program to recruit, retain, and optimally place instructional coaches.
- Eliminate redundancies across the district to maximize resources at schools.
- Create a Superintendent's Advisory Council for Exceptional Student Education.
- Create a Superintendent's Advisory Council for the District Budget.
- Design the district in a way that fully supports & enhances instruction.

Opportunities for Engagement

Focus Groups

Work Groups

Surveys & Feedback

Community Partnerships

Project RE-envision 2025 Website



Visit Our Project RE-envision 2025 Webpage

Project ReEnvision 2025

Calendar

Community Engagement

Presentations & Documents

Surveys & Results

Timeline

Project REenvision 2025

Please visit our calendar page, or click here for a PDF of our Schedule of Focus Groups.



The School District of Indian River County will embark on a journey of continuous improvement, with the purpose of re-defining what excellence means for our schools and students in Indian River. New and refined definitions of educational excellence will guide our district and school-site implementation plans to support the cultivation of rigorous, equitable, and supportive learning environments, which meet the needs of ALL the 21st Century Learners that we serve.

UPCOMING TOWN HALL NIGHTS! THURSDAY JAN. 16 & 23

WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 16 & Jan. 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: SDIRC District Office 6500 57th Street

Vero Beach, FL 32967

WHO: Everyone is invited to engage in a dialogue about our mission for re-envisioning excellence for each and every student in our district.

WHY: Be part of the mission to Re-Envision School Excellence so that ALL students are served with excellence.

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Questions?





"Students should have rich, relevant, and authentic experiences at school, across the board. If every educator in every school pursued excellence instead of allowing excuses about what students can and cannot do, we would meet the needs of all students. Our goal has to be to create schools where excellence is the standard." Sanee Bell, Ed.D. "Be Excellent on Purpose"