

Fact sheet

Teaching & Learning



230+ Schools, 24,000+ Educators, 215,000+ Students

One Vision: Preparing Students for Life

The Office of Teaching and Learning provides research-based strategies and high quality materials to ensure all students in Hillsborough County Public Schools are successful. Our office strives to provide the highest quality instruction in core academics, the arts, innovative programming, and social-emotional learning. Teaching and Learning is proud to help prepare a job-ready workforce in Hillsborough County Public Schools.

EDUCATE HILLSBOROUGH'S MISSION

To educate, connect, and inspire the next generation of Tampa Bay's leaders through the infinite experiences in Hillsborough County Public Schools.

In 2018 – 2019...

95%

of the students in our 4 IB Schools received an IB diploma.

2,500+

student artists showcased in local and national exhibitions.

1,832

seniors received the gold Florida Seal of Biliteracy.

27

high schools offered AP classes and free SAT for all students.

Highlights

- **13,000** 4th and 5th grade students participated in the annual 4-H Tropicana Public Speaking program
- **28 schools** and 5 hubs provided students an integrated K-12 STEM experience
- **4,000+** high school students participated in the personal financial literacy program
- **ABT** (American Ballet Theater Certification Dance Programs)
- **5** visual and performing arts themed magnet schools



Did You Know?

Literacy:

- 5+ winners of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, recognized at Carnegie Hall
- 75% of 1st graders who complete a full series of lessons in the reading recovery program reach grade-level proficiency in 12 to 20 weeks
- Our first year reading recovery students grew an average of 11.5 text levels
- HAAL Pass – A partnership between HCPS Library Media Services and the Hillsborough County Public Library to increase access to books and information by removing boundaries
- SLAM – K-12 Reading and Creativity Showcase
- 2 poetry jam winners received first wave scholarships from the University of Wisconsin-Madison

STEM:

- 100,000 STEM Fair participants; the largest academic competition in the southeast
- STEMpalooza – 1st – 5th grade competition
- 120 elementary schools competed to solve the most challenging math problems in the math bowl
- 450 students competed in the middle school math league competition
- 600 students competed in the high school math bowl and regional competitions
- 1,700 students participated in Hillsborough Robotics grades 4-5 with LEGO, WeDo and Mindstorms
- By 2019-2020, all middle and high schools will offer at least one computer science course
- More than 100 elementary schools trained in CS fundamentals
- 102,568 – All K-5 students participate in engineering challenges aligned to standards
- 1,500 K-8 students participated in Student Spaceflights Experiments Program (SSEP) and Mission Patch

Social Studies:

- 13,999 5th graders prepared for and enjoyed Biz Town
- 12,947 8th graders participated in Finance Park
- NHD – 30 middle school students competed in the National History Day competition
- WOW – 20+ schools participated in the social studies academic tournament
- E-Team – 16 schools (96 students) competed in the 5th grade Economics Quiz Bowl
- 8,000+ students a year learn how to drive safely in Driver's Education

Advanced Academics:

- AVID – 12,000 students immersed in school wide AVID programs to improve performance across all content areas
- 166 associate arts degrees; in 2019, our 3 collegiate academies graduated 166 students with AA degrees. We will welcome a 4th collegiate academy in 2019-2020

Art and Music:

- 5 visual and performing arts themed magnet schools
- 175+ students showcased at Tampa Riverfest
- 20+ students showcased in All-State ensembles
- 2,500+ student artists showcased in local and national exhibitions
- 1,500+ students showcased in K-12 all-county ensembles
- 400+ students receiving scholarships and awards from local universities and community partners
- 2019 Best Communities for Music Education Recipient

World Language:

- 500+ students enrolled in elementary and middle school dual language programs
- 2,501 seniors received the silver Florida Seal of Biliteracy
- Offerings in seven languages: American Sign Language, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Latin, Spanish

Physical Education, Health, and Dance:

- Jr. Bucs Fitness Challenge infuses football skills and drills in current physical education curriculum throughout Hillsborough and Pinellas County Public Schools
- The First Tee Golf Programs Core Values training with golf skills infused at Elementary and Middle Schools
- The American Heart Association CPR, Hoops for Heart
- Student Dancers received scholarships and awards from Tampa Bay Business for Culture & the Arts
- BayCare St. Joseph's Children's Wellness and Safety Center Bike and Pedestrian programs for Elementary and Middle Schools
- 10,000 – Tampa Bay Lightning hockey stick giveaways

