

2013 ECTAC Exceeding Expectations (E²) Selection Criteria

Title I Schools were selected using the following criteria based on School Grade data obtained from the FDOE:

Elementary Schools

- Increase in Reading and Math proficiency in all subgroups
- School Grade increased or maintained an “A”
- Above the state median in Reading and Math learning gains and lowest quartile Reading and Math learning gains
- Greater than 1 standard deviation above expected performance on total School Grade points earned
- EITHER (1) above the state median in total population Reading and Math proficiency OR (2) double digit increases in total population Reading and Math proficiency

Middle Schools

- Increase in total population Reading and Math proficiency
- School Grade increased or maintained an “A”
- Above the state median in Reading and Math learning gains and lowest quartile Reading and Math learning gains
- Above (or within 1 point of) the state median in total population Reading and Math proficiency
- Greater than 0.5 standard deviation above expected performance on total School Grade points earned

High School

- Increase in total population Reading and Math proficiency with a minimum proficiency of 25%,
- School Grade increased or maintained an “A”
- Greater than 0.0 standard deviation above expected performance on total School Grade points earned
- No entrance or continuation requirements for school or magnet programs

Combination Schools

- Increase in Reading and Math proficiency in all subgroups
- School Grade increased or maintained an “A”
- Greater than 1 standard deviation above expected performance on total School Grade points earned

Alternative Education Centers

- Ratings of "improving" in both reading and math
- Greater than 50% making gains in reading and math (state average for making gains was 47% in reading and 42% in math for all alternative sites)

The selection team also considered the percent of economically disadvantaged students and performance or growth within subgroups. This process resulted in a list of 21 schools from small, medium, and large districts around the state of Florida that were visited by ECTAC teams. Of these 21 schools, 17 were selected as ECTAC Exceeding Expectations Award Schools.