

**National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) 2009 and 2011 Vocabulary Results  
Florida and the National Public  
Grades 4, 8 and 12**

The vocabulary results reported are developed based on students' performance on vocabulary items in the 2009 and 2011 NAEP Reading assessment. However in grade 12, NAEP is only reporting 2009 results, as the grade 12 state-level pilot was not administered in 2011.

**Overview of Results**

- Florida's fourth-grade public school students scored significantly higher than the nation.
- Florida's 2011 fourth and eighth-grade average vocabulary scores were not significantly different from 2009 scores.

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	2009		2011	
	Florida	Nation	Florida	Nation
<b>Grade 4</b>	223 <sup>^</sup>	217	221 <sup>^</sup>	217
<b>Grade 8</b>	265	263	264	263
<b>Grade 12</b>	290 <sup>*</sup>	294		

**Florida Compared to the Nation – Subgroups**

- Florida has several student subgroups that outperformed the nation in the 2009 and 2011 NAEP Vocabulary results. These results are shaded in green below. In grade 4, nine subgroups outperformed the nation (All Students, White, Black, Hispanic, Male, Female, Eligible for School Lunch, Not Eligible for School Lunch, and Students with Disabilities). At grade 8, three subgroups outperformed the nation (Hispanic, Eligible for School Lunch, and Students with Disabilities).

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	Grade 4		Grade 8		Grade 12
	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009
All Students	223 <sup>^</sup>	221 <sup>^</sup>	265	264	290 <sup>*</sup>
White	232 <sup>^</sup>	235 <sup>^</sup>	274	275	299
Black	207 <sup>^</sup>	204 <sup>^</sup>	250	248	273
Hispanic	216 <sup>^</sup>	213 <sup>^</sup>	259 <sup>^</sup>	257 <sup>^</sup>	281
Asian/Pacific Islander	238	234	277	266	305
Male	222 <sup>^</sup>	219 <sup>^</sup>	262	261	289 <sup>*</sup>
Female	225 <sup>^</sup>	223 <sup>^</sup>	267	267	291
Eligible for School Lunch	212 <sup>^</sup>	210 <sup>^</sup>	253 <sup>^</sup>	253 <sup>^</sup>	276
Not Eligible for School Lunch	236 <sup>^</sup>	239 <sup>^</sup>	276	277	297 <sup>*</sup>
Students with Disabilities	198 <sup>^</sup>	193 <sup>^</sup>	238 <sup>^</sup>	236 <sup>^</sup>	256
English Language Learners	187	182	221	218	246

## Comparisons with Other States

- Only six states had fourth-grade students who scored significantly higher than Florida fourth graders on the NAEP vocabulary assessment.
- Eighth-grade students in 16 states had higher scores than Florida's eighth graders.

Grade 4					
	Florida's average score	Number of states scoring sig. lower than FL	Number of states not sig. different from FL	Number of states scoring sig. higher than FL	Number of states w/out large enough sample
<b>All Students</b>	221	20	23	6*	0
<b>White</b>	235	38	10	1 (MA)	0
<b>Black</b>	204	12	31	1 (ND)	5
<b>Hispanic</b>	213	30	16	0	3

\*(Pennsylvania, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Virginia)

Grade 8					
	Florida's average score	Number of states scoring sig. lower than FL	Number of states not sig. different from FL	Number of states scoring sig. higher than FL	Number of states w/out large enough sample
<b>All Students</b>	264	10	23	16*	0
<b>White</b>	275	9	35	5**	0
<b>Black</b>	248	3	39	0	7
<b>Hispanic</b>	257	19	25	0	5

\*(Colorado, Connecticut, Idaho, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Minnesota, Montana, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin)

\*\* (Colorado, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Texas)

## Grade 12 – State level pilot assessment not administered in 2011 – 11 states participated in 2009

Grade 12					
	Florida's average score	Number of states scoring sig. lower than FL	Number of states not sig. different from FL	Number of states scoring sig. higher than FL	Number of states w/out large enough sample
<b>All Students</b>	290	1	4	5*	0
<b>White</b>	299	0	6	4**	0
<b>Black</b>	273	0	7	0	3
<b>Hispanic</b>	281	1	6	0	3

\*(Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Massachusetts, New Hampshire)

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