

# **Public Schools Student Progression Report**

As required by Florida Statue 1008.25 School Year 2016-2017

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The district school board must annually publish on the district website and in the local newspaper, the following information on the prior school year:

- By grade, the number and percentage of all students in grades 3 through 10 performing at Levels 1 through 5 on ELA portion of the FSA
   By grade, the number and percentage of all students retained in grades 3 through 10.
- 3. Information on the total number of students who were promoted for good cause, by each category of good cause as specified in paragraph (6)(b).

Student Enrollment/Retentions								
		Total	10113					
Grade Level	End of Year Membership	Students Retained	Percentage Retained					
3	261	10	4%					
4	255	3	1%					
5	264	2	1%					
6	258	5	2%					
7	251	10	4%					
8	252	4	2%					
9	248	4	2%					
10	245	6	2%					
Total	2034	44	2%					

Good Cause Exemptions from Retention – Grade 3					
Cause	# Students				
1	0				
2	0 0				
3					
4	7				
5	13				
6	6				
7	1				
Total	27				

# Holmes District School Retention Policy (Section I, General Provisions of the Holmes District Schools Pupil Progression Plan)

### RETENTION OF STUDENTS

Student progression from grade to grade will be based primarily on achievement of district and state proficiency levels. Retention decisions should be based on more than a single test score except when mandatory retention is required by state law. At the beginning of the second semester, elementary, middle, and high school teachers must notify parents/guardians of students who are in danger of being retained at the end of the year.

Evidence of staffing is required for all students who are retained or placed for good cause. A staffing committee consisting of the principal/designee, the guidance counselor, the student's classroom teacher(s), and any other personnel deemed necessary by the principal, shall review the student's records to determine if retention should occur. The committee members should be in agreement that decisions made are in the best interest of the student, and that all other alternatives have been exhausted or would be ineffectual. In cases where evidence received indicates that retention would not be in the best interest of the student, the student may be placed for good cause.

Prior to the time that a student is placed or retained, a conference with the parent or legal guardian will be held to review the student's progress, progress monitoring plan or individual education plan. Retention will only be made following a parent conference. If parent contact is impossible, the principal must approve the recommended placement. A student may not be promoted based on age or other factors that constitute social promotion.

When a student is retained, he or she must receive an intensive program that is different from the previous year's program and must take into account the student's learning style. Any student who has been retained one year and is recommended for retention a second year is to be referred for further assessment/evaluation and an alternative placement considered.

# Promotion in Grades K-5

To be promoted to the next instructional level the following requirements must be met or the Pupil Progression Staffing form must be completed: \*Students in grades K-2 must receive a grade "C" or above on the report card in language arts.

\*Students in grades K-2 must receive a grade "C" or above on the report card in mathematics.

\*Students in grades 3-5 must receive a grade "D" or above on the report card in language arts.

\*Students in grades 3-5 must receive a grade "D" or above on the report card in mathematics.

\*Students in grades 4-5 must receive a grade "D" or above on the report card in science.

### Third Grade Mandatory Retention

Any student who exhibits substantial deficiency in reading, based upon locally determined or statewide assessments conducted in kindergarten through third grade, or through teacher observations, must be given intensive reading instruction immediately following the identification of the reading deficiency. The student's reading proficiency must be reassessed by locally determined assessments or through teacher observations at the beginning of the grade following the intensive reading instruction. The student must continue to be provided with intensive reading instruction until the reading deficiency is remedied. If the student's reading deficiency is not remedied by the end of third grade as demonstrated by scoring at Level 2 or higher on the statewide assessment test (FSA ELA), or at the 45th percentile or higher on the SAT 10 norm referenced test, the student must be retained.

## Third Grade Good Cause Exemptions

The district school board may only exempt students from mandatory retention for good cause. Good cause exemptions shall be limited to the following: 1.Limited English Proficient students who have less than two (2) years of instruction in an English for speakers of other languages program,

2.Students with disabilities whose individual education plan indicates that participation in the statewide assessment program is not appropriate consistent with requirements of State Board of Education rule,

3.Students who demonstrate an acceptable level of performance on an alternative standardized reading assessment approved by the State Board of Education.

4.Students who demonstrate, through a student portfolio, that the student is reading on grade level as evidenced by demonstration of mastery of the Florida Standards in reading equal to at least a Level 2 performance on the FSA ELA,

5.Students previously retained in Kindergarten, grade 1, 2, or 3 with an IEP or Section 504 plan who participate in the FSA ELA and have received intensive remediation for more than two years but still demonstrate a deficiency,

6. Students who have received intensive remediation in reading for two or more years but still demonstrate a deficiency in reading and who were previously retained in kindergarten, grade one (1), or grade two (2), or grade three (3) for a total of two (2) years.

The school board shall assist schools and teachers to implement reading strategies that research has shown to be successful in improving reading among low performing readers.

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READING		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Level 4		Level 5	
Grade	Total # of Students	# of	% of								
Level	Tested	Students									
3	267	48	18%	69	26%	86	32%	51	19%	13	5%
4	259	55	21%	73	28%	76	29%	39	15%	16	6%
5	257	77	30%	64	25%	62	24%	44	17%	10	4%
6	252	78	31%	86	34%	55	22%	25	10%	8	3%
7	242	53	22%	73	30%	53	22%	44	18%	19	8%
8	233	44	19%	68	29%	63	27%	42	18%	16	7%
9	240	72	30%	57	24%	62	26%	40	17%	9	4%
10	210	52	25%	57	27%	44	21%	40	19%	17	8%
Totals	1960	479		547		501		325		108	

Number of students tested at each achievement level is rounded to the nearest whole number.

Additional information may be obtained on the Holmes District Schools web site, <a href="www.hdsb.org">www.hdsb.org</a> or at the school district offices, 701 East Pennsylvania Avenue, Bonifay, Florida