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# Education

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## 4.1 Higher Education Institutions Enrollment

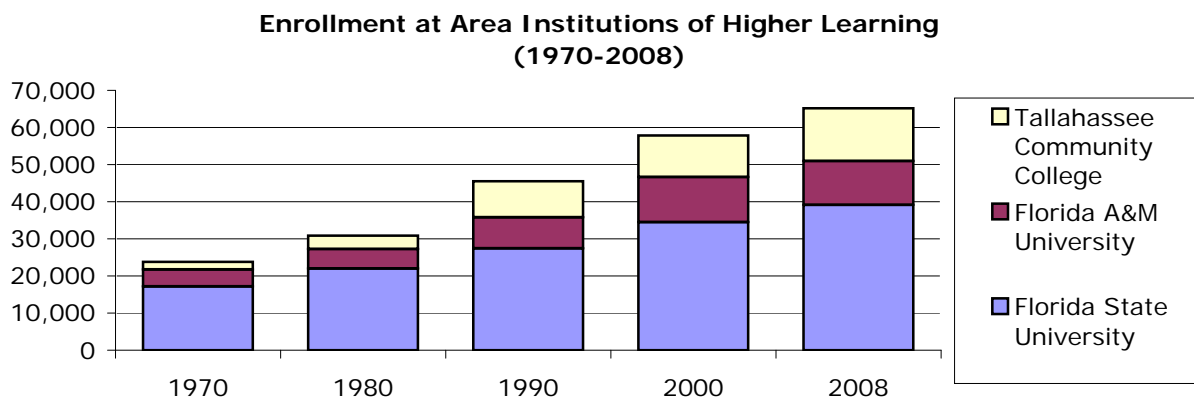
More than 65,000 students were enrolled in the fall semester 2008 at the three largest institutions for higher learning in Leon County. Total enrollment at the three schools has more than doubled since 1985.

**Figure 4-1**  
**Enrollment at area Institutions of Higher Learning (1960-2008)**

Year	Florida State University	Florida A&M University	Tallahassee Community College	Total Enrollment
1960	9,019	2,961	---	11,980
1970	17,188	4,500	2,100	23,788
1980	21,965	5,246	3,663	30,874
1985	21,474	4,919	5,289	31,682
1990	27,427	8,379	9,679	45,485
1995	30,268	10,277	10,101	50,646
2000	34,485	12,161	11,207	57,853
2001	35,472	12,349	11,567	59,388
2002	36,720	12,468	11,968	61,156
2003	37,328	13,023	12,572	62,923
2004	38,886	13,070	12,784	64,740
2005	39,652	12,177	13,439	65,268
2006	40,474	11,913	13,526	65,913
2007	41,065	11,567	14,096	66,728
2008	39,136	11,848	14,163	65,147

Source: Florida Department of Education, State of Florida Student Database Reports

**Figure 4-2**  
**Enrollment at Area Institutions of Higher Learning (1970-2008)**



Source: Florida Department of Education, State of Florida Student Database Reports

## 4.2 Leon County Public Schools Statistics

Leon County public school enrollment continues to grow steadily (up approximately 1% per year since the 1990-91 school year). The dropout rate for grades 9-12 dropped to 2.2% in the 2007-2008 school year, the third time in the past four years the dropout rate has been below 3%.

**Figure 4-3**  
**Leon County Public School Enrollment, K-12 (1960-61-2008-09)**

Year	Enrollment
1960-61	14,959
1970-71	20,182
1980-81	21,632
1985-86	23,445
1990-91	26,869
1995-96	30,348
2000-01	30,958
2001-02	30,920
2002-03	30,776
2003-04	31,037
2004-05	31,119
2005-06	31,474
2006-07	31,626
2007-08	31,908
2008-09	32,796

Source: Leon County Public Schools, Program Monitoring & Evaluation Services

**Figure 4-4**  
**Leon County Public School Dropout Statistics, Grades 9-12 (1996-97-2007-08)**

Year	Percent Dropout
1996-97	4.5%
1997-98	4.0%
1998-99	5.0%
1999-00	3.8%
2000-01	3.4%
2001-02	3.7%
2002-03	3.0%
2003-04	3.3%
2004-05	2.4%
2005-06	2.6%
2006-07	4.5%
2007-08	2.2%

Source: Leon County Public Schools, Program Monitoring & Evaluation Services

## 4.3 Leon County Public School Grades

Seventy-nine percent of Leon County Public Schools received an A or B grade in the 08-09 school year

**Figure 4-5**  
**Leon County Public School Grades, K-12 (2003-04-2008-09)**

School Name	2008-09 Grade	2007-08 Grade	2006-07 Grade	2005-06 Grade	2004-05 Grade	2003-04 Grade
Amos P. Godby High School	F	C	D	D	D	D
Apalachee Elementary School	C	C	B	B	A	B
Astoria Park Elementary School	A	B	A	A	A	A
Augusta Raa Middle School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Belle Vue Middle School	C	D	D	C	C	C
Bond Elementary School	B	C	D		C	B
Buck Lake Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
C.K. Steele-Leroy Collins Charter M.S.	B	C	C	A	A	C
Canopy Oaks Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Chaires Elementary School	A	B	A	A	A	A
Deerlake Middle School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Desoto Trail Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Elizabeth Cobb Middle School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Fairview Middle School	B	B	B	A	B	B
Fort Braden Elementary School	B	B	B	B	B	C
Frank Hartsfield Elementary School	B	A	B	B	B	B
Gilchrist Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Griffin Middle School	C	C	C	A	B	C
Hawks Rise Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Imagine School at Evening Rose	F					
J. Michael Conley Elementary School	A					
James Rickards High School	D	C	C	C	D	C
John G. Riley Elementary School	A	B	C	B	C	C
Kate Sullivan Elementary School	B	A	A	A	A	A
Killlearn Lakes Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Lawton Chiles High School	B	A	B	A	B	B
Leon High School	C	A	B	A	B	B
Lillian Ruediger Elementary School	A	B	A	A	A	A
Lincoln High School	B	A	A	B	B	B
Oak Ridge Elementary School	A	C	C	C	D	C
Pineview Elementary School	B	A	C	A	B	A
R. Frank Nims Middle School	D	C	F	D	D	C
Roberts Elementary School	A	A	A	A	A	A
Sabal Palm Elementary School	B	C	B	A	C	C
Sail	B	A	B	B	B	B
Sealey Elementary School	A	A	A	A	B	A
Springwood Elementary School	A	C	B	A	A	A
Stars Middle School	C	C				
Swift Creek Middle School	A	A	A	A	A	A
The School of Arts & Sciences	A	A	A	A	A	A
Walter T. Moore Jr. Elementary School	A	A	A	B	A	A
William J. Montford III Middle School	A					
Woodville Elementary School	B	D	C	B	B	B

Source: Florida Department of Education, Evaluation and Reporting

## 4.4 SAT and ACT Results

Students in the Leon County School District continued to score favorably in comparison with Florida and national averages in the SAT and ACT student assessment tests. The Leon County School District has consistently scored the same or higher than the average for districts statewide in total ACT and SAT mean composite scores.

**Figure 4-6**  
**SAT Mean Results, Total (2001-02-2007-08)**

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Leon County School District	1,052	1,057	1,055	1,071	1,073	1,056	1,076
State Of Florida Average	995	996	998	996	993	993	993
U.S. Average	1,020	1,026	1,026	1,028	1,021	1,017	1,017

*Note: This report summarizes results for Leon District's graduating seniors of 2007-08 who took the Scholastic Assessment Test-I: Reasoning Tests (SAT-I) at anytime during their high school years (usually as 11th or 12th graders) through March 2008. The SAT-I assesses critical reading and mathematical reasoning skills associated with successful academic performance in college and is reported on a point scale ranging from 200 to 800.*

*Source: Leon County Public Schools, Program Monitoring & Evaluation Services*

**Figure 4-7**  
**ACT Mean Results, Total (2001-02-2007-08)**

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Leon County School District	20.9	21.0	21.1	21.1	21.1	21.0	21.0
State Of Florida Average	20.4	20.5	20.5	20.4	20.3	19.9	19.8
U.S. Average	20.8	20.8	20.9	20.9	21.1	21.2	21.1

*Note: This report summarizes results for Leon District's graduating seniors of 2007-08 who took the American College Testing (ACT) Program assessment during their junior and/or senior years. The ACT assesses skills related to predicting successful academic performance in college and is reported on a scale ranging from 1 to 36.*

*Source: Leon County Public Schools, Program Monitoring & Evaluation Services*