

# Proposed Florida Department of Education (FDOE) Concordant and Comparative Scores for Graduation Assessment

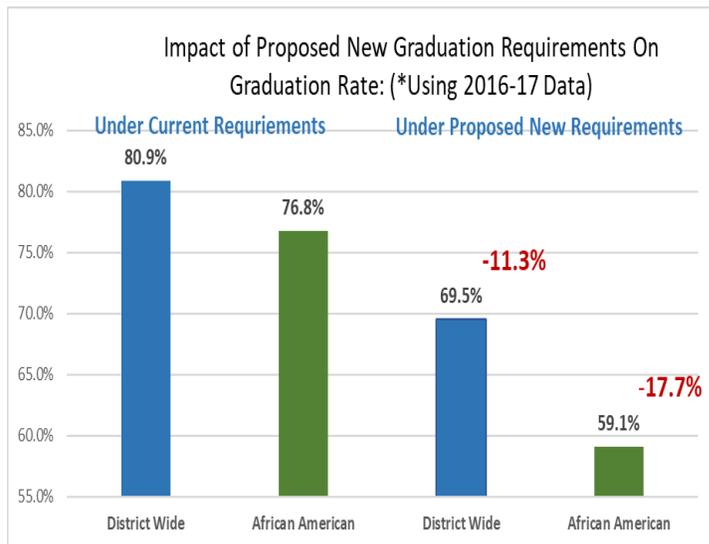
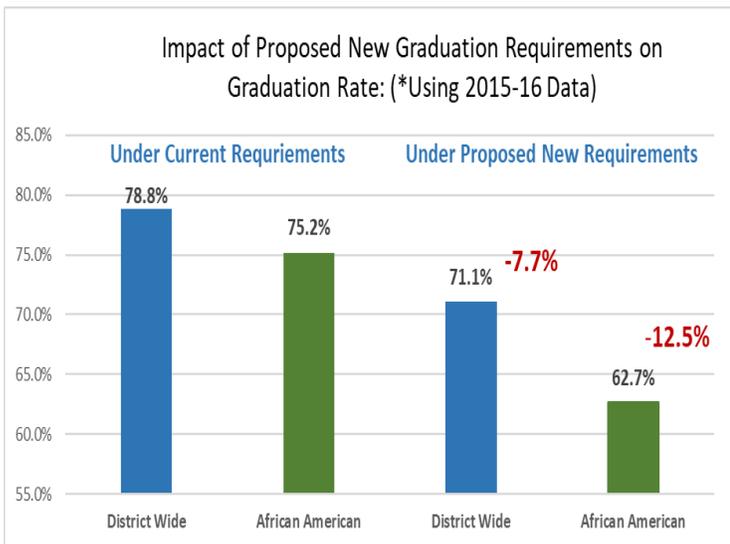


## Requirements



Public comments can be made at <https://web02.fdoe.org/rules/> until the State Board of Education Meeting. The date for that meeting has not yet been determined.

	Current Graduation Requirements	Proposed New Graduation Requirements
<b>ELA Graduation Requirement</b>	ACT Reading (only) $\geq 19$ SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing $\geq 430$ or Reading Subtest $\geq 24$	Average of ACT Reading and English (both) $\geq 18$ SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing $\geq 480$
<b>Algebra 1 Graduation Requirement</b>	PERT $\geq 97$	ACT Math $\geq 16$ SAT Math $\geq 420$



### Impact of Proposed Changes to Concordant and Comparative Scores

- When using 2016-17 data, Duval County would have had approximately **850 fewer** graduates and **1100 Certificate of Completions (COCs)**. Using the 2015-16 data, Duval County would have had **700 fewer** graduates per year and approximately **1000 Certificate of Completions (COCs)**.
- The ACT and SAT assessments cost \$60 (SAT) and \$62.50 (ACT) for all assessments, including writing. Some students may qualify for test waivers, but may need to pay for additional administrations if the waivers are exhausted. Other students would have to pay out of pocket for all administrations. Students who are enrolled in a district which can not incur the cost of administering the SAT/ACT or whose parents/guardians are unable to provide the funds will be at a significant disadvantage.
- Those students who will now earn a Certificate of Completion, in lieu of a diploma, will:
  - \* Have limited enrollment opportunities to state/community colleges
  - \* Be ineligible for state and federal financial aid
  - \* Be ineligible to enlist in the U.S. Armed Forces
  - \* Have limitations on career opportunities that require a high school diploma for licensure or certification
- The new proposal eliminates the usage of the PERT as a comparative score. This is currently the most cost effective alternative assessment available. Through a current contract, DCPS pays 94 cents for each PERT test. With the elimination of the PERT, students would have to pay \$60 or more to take the ACT or SAT exam to achieve a concordant score.
- Students who use public dollars through FDOE K-12 scholarship programs to attend a private school, such as Step Up for Students, would receive their high school diploma without being held to these new testing requirements for public and charter school students.