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“With market-leading cloud, collaboration, networking and virtualization technologies, Citrix powers mobile workstyles and cloud services, making complex enterprise IT simpler and more accessible for 250,000 enterprises. In Broward County we have several universities and colleges with outstanding leadership and faculty, offering numerous high-quality academic programs. Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is the largest fully accredited K-12 school system in the country and leads the state of Florida in the number of National Board Certified Teachers. Our robust educational system, where both K-12 and higher education are working together with the business sector to integrate employment outcomes and interconnectivity between the two systems, is critical in hiring and retaining the best talent for our company and others in the region.”

# Education

Greater Fort Lauderdale's robust educational system provides an important foundation for the region's high quality of life, while building a skilled workforce for today and tomorrow.

## BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is the sixth largest public school system in the country with nearly 230,000 students in 232 schools and education centers. That includes 76 charter schools, which serve more than 29,000 students. The district also has award-winning virtual schools and serves more than 150,000 adult and continuing education students. BCPS is the largest fully accredited school system in the country. With an annual operating budget of \$1.9 billion, BCPS is also a vital part of the area's economy. With nearly 26,000 full-time and more than 7,000 part-time employees, the school district is the county's largest employer.

### Recognized for Student Achievement

BCPS was a 2011 finalist for the Broad Prize presented by the California-based Broad Foundation. It was the third year (also in 2008 and 2009) that the district was a finalist for the award considered to be the "Pulitzer Prize" in the field of education, which guarantees a minimum of \$150,000 in college scholarships for students.

In each of the last 10 years, the Council of the Great City Schools has specifically singled out BCPS for student achievement. The council is a coalition of 66 of the nation's largest urban public school systems.

In 2000, the state of Florida implemented the Governor's A+ Plan for Education under which school districts' performances are graded on an A through F scale. Broward has consistently earned an A or B grade from the state since the grading process began.

The district's overall graduation rate has increased by over 10 percentage points over the last five years, with 76.5 percent of seniors graduating in 2011.

### Career, Technical and Adult/Community Education

Preparing students for today's highly technical careers is the cornerstone on which the Broward school district's Career, Technical, Adult and Community Education (CTACE) programs are built. A multitude of programs, courses and activities provide both interdisciplinary and cross-curricula instruction. The goal for Broward's high schools is to graduate students academically and technologically prepared for post-secondary education/college and to enter an in-demand high-skill, high-wage occupation.

The school district offers programs starting with career awareness and exploration in middle school and progresses through specialized high school and post-secondary technical education programs. In addition, the district offers adult and community education programs and services to thousands of economically and ethnically diverse Broward County residents. Programs include Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education, General Educational Development (GED), English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Family/Intergenerational Literacy, Vocational Preparatory Instruction and programs for Adults with Disabilities.

Fee-based community education/lifelong learning course offerings include academic, recreational, health, cultural, artistic, social



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science and parenting preparation programs. With classes as diverse as floral arranging, Spanish, tennis, yoga, sculpture and an introduction to computers, thousands of Broward residents enjoy applying their talents and learning new skills.

### Business Specific

As businesses identify their workforce requirements, Broward Technical Centers (Atlantic, McFatter and Sheridan), Broward College and the area's four-year universities implement state-of-the-industry programs to meet the career interests of students and the staffing requirements of local employers. In a multitude of career areas, students have the opportunity to progress through a seamless workforce education system within the various business sectors.

Broward Technical Centers boast state-of-the-art equipment and facilities, informed and skilled faculty and industry-validated educational programs. E-learning opportunities have been expanded in a variety of workforce education programs to better serve the needs of students who require flexible scheduling options. In addition, the Broward Technical Centers provide business-training solutions on technical center campuses, at business sites and online to address specific training needs and schedules. The district's industry partners have honored many career and technical education programs with national awards of excellence.

### Seamless Education

Economic forecasts indicate that 80 percent of future occupations will require technical

education beyond high school. Through approved agreements, high school and adult students may earn post-secondary college credits toward industry-recognized technical certificates and degrees.

In Career and Technical Education, Magnet Programs, the College Academy, Technical Dual Enrollment and Smaller Learning Communities, students receive a rigorous and relevant curriculum and maximum opportunities to meet individual goals.

For more information about Broward County Public Schools programs, visit:

[www.browardschools.com](http://www.browardschools.com), [www.ctace.com](http://www.ctace.com), [www.browardtechcenters.com](http://www.browardtechcenters.com), and [www.mycommunityschool.com](http://www.mycommunityschool.com).

### Independent and Private Schools

Greater Fort Lauderdale has more than 60 private and independent schools that meet a variety of student academic and personal needs. Accredited non-public schools hold memberships in organizations such as the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), the Florida Council of Independent Schools (FCIS), the Association of Independent Schools of Florida (AISF), the Florida Kindergarten

Council (FKC), and several accrediting organizations for religious, proprietary and special needs programs. The major accrediting organizations in Florida are approved by the Florida Association of Academic Nonpublic Schools (FAANS), which in turn is recognized by the Florida Department of Education.

More than 30,000 children in Broward attend non-public schools, which offer programs from early childhood education through 12th grade. These schools welcome calls for information and are happy to arrange family visits

## THE PLACE TO LEARN Broward County Public Schools

- Seven Broward high schools ranked among the “Best High Schools” in the nation for 2012 by *U.S. News & World Report*. Three high schools (out of over 22,000) received gold medals – representing the top 3 percent of high schools in the country. Those schools are Cypress Bay, Pompano Beach and William T. McFatter Technical high schools. Receiving silver medals were Atlantic Technical, Cooper City, Fort Lauderdale and Nova high schools.

- *The Washington Post* included 13 Broward County high schools in its High School Challenge list of top 1,800 public high schools in the nation. Joining an elite group of public high schools nationwide were Coral Glades, Coral Springs Charter, Everglades, Hallandale, International School of Broward, Monarch, Northeast, Nova, Parkway Academy, South Broward, South Plantation, West Broward, and Western. According to *The Washington Post*, schools on the list represent only 9 percent of schools across the country.

- *Newsweek* magazine named three BCPS high schools to its list of America’s Best High Schools for 2012. Included in the list of 500 high schools from across the nation were: Cypress Bay (232), Marjory Stoneman Douglas (275) and Pompano Beach (342).

- In 2010/11, the district’s high schools combined to offer more than 1,000 Advanced Placement (AP) classes encompassing 33 college-level courses. Between 2008/09 and 2010/2011, BCPS saw an increase in

AP course enrollment and the number of AP examinations taken.

- The district offers a full range of magnet school programs, from arts and drama to science, and technology, engineering and mathematics to International Baccalaureate to meet the needs and talents of students. The district has 35 magnet programs in 48 schools at elementary, middle and high school levels.

- The district’s Innovative Schools provide students unique or thematic instruction. Students attending Innovative Schools receive extra experience and exposure in a particular theme. The district has four elementary, eight middle and two innovative high schools. In addition, 19 schools located in the Coral Springs, Everglades and Hallandale Innovation Zones offer innovative programs.

- The district has more than 14,000 full-time, instructional staff members. The average experience of a Broward teacher is 16 years, and nearly 56 percent of Broward teachers hold advanced degrees (e.g. master’s degree or doctorate.)

- National Board Certification is an advanced teaching credential that is designed to recognize effective and accomplished teachers. BCPS leads the state and is second in the nation with a total of 1,783 board-certified teachers.

- Broward County students were awarded \$143 million in academic scholarships and

\$4.3 million in athletic scholarships in 2012. More than 5,000 Broward County students received state scholarships through the Florida Bright Futures Programs.

- The Energy Tools for Schools program, initiated by the district’s Energy Conservation Department, has helped reduce electrical consumption. After three years, the program has helped the district save nearly \$14 million in electrical costs and is currently on track to save an additional \$7 million for fiscal year 2012. Florida Power and Light (FPL) recently received the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance’s “Educational Excellence Builds Business Partnership Award,” for its role in developing the “Energy Tools for Schools” conservation program.

- BCPS environmental website - [www.BrowardSchoolsGoGreen.com](http://www.BrowardSchoolsGoGreen.com) - showcases the District’s efforts to “go green” and serves as an educational tool for students, staff and the community.

- In what is likely a first for any collegiate high school in the nation, 100 percent of the 2010, 2011 and 2012 graduates of the College Academy at Broward College earned an AA degree along with their high school diploma.

- Miramar High School music teacher Alvin Davis, BCPS Teacher of the Year 2012, and the state’s Top Teacher of the Year for 2012, was one of four finalists for 2012 National Teacher of the Year. Davis was honored by President Barack Obama during a Rose Garden Ceremony in Washington, DC.



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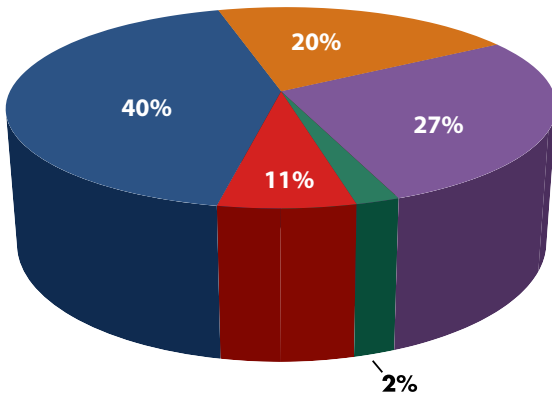
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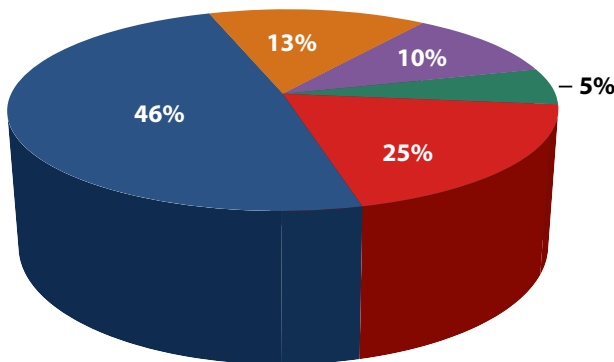
### STUDENTS ENROLLED IN BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (2011/2012)



- Elementary Schools (Pre K-5): **103,597**
- Middle Schools (Grades 6-8): **50,890**
- High Schools (Grades 9-12): **68,921**
- Centers: **5,906**
- Charter Schools: **29,489**
- Total: **229,314** (Traditional)
- Total: **258,803** (Including Charters)

SOURCE: Broward County Public Schools, Fall 2011

### NUMBER OF SCHOOLS



- Elementary Schools: **141**
- Pre K-8 Schools: **1**
- Middle Schools: **42**
- High Schools: **32**
- Virtual Schools: **1** (serves elementary, middle and high)
- Adult/Vocational/Centers: **15**
- Charter Schools: **76**

SOURCE: Broward County Public Schools, Fall 2011

### DIVERSITY BREAKDOWN (2011/2012)

- Black: **39.10%**
- Hispanic: **28.64%**
- White: **25.73%**
- Asian: **3.50%**
- Multiracial: **2.61%**
- American Indian or Alaskan Native: **0.35%**
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: **0.08%**

SOURCE: State DOE Data Report - Membership in Florida's Public Schools, Fall 2011

to their campuses. Many also offer bus transportation.

*For more information, see the chart on page 89.*

**Colleges and Universities**

A wide range of colleges and universities serve Greater Fort Lauderdale, including both state and private-sector institutions offering associate, bachelor, master and doctoral degree programs. More than 40 institutions offer associate’s degrees or higher within 30 miles of Fort Lauderdale, including eleven with MBA degrees. Many institutions also offer certificate or custom training programs that focus on workforce development and the needs of Broward employers. Broward’s post-secondary institutions feature state-of-the-industry equipment, an informed and skilled faculty and accommodating facilities with flexible class schedules compatible with student and employer requirements.

**HERE ARE SEVERAL LEADING COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES:**

**Ana G. Mendez University System**

The Ana G. Mendez University System features an accelerated dual language (English-Spanish) higher education program for adults. Its bilingual instructors teach a curriculum that is presented 50 percent in English and 50 percent in Spanish, ensuring that graduates will

have developed advanced skills in both languages. Adult, working students may choose from a flexible class schedule with day, evening and/or weekend classes. Bilingual professionals graduate with bachelor’s or master’s degrees in several professional areas including management, human resources, accounting, finance and criminal justice.

**Broward College**

Broward College is the oldest and largest institution of higher learning in Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County, serving more than 65,000 students annually. With campuses throughout the region, it is the principal provider of undergraduate higher education for county residents. The college celebrates its culturally diverse student body, faculty and staff, attracting scholars from throughout South Florida, the rest of the U.S. and more than 150 nations around the world. It creates a dynamic learning environment for a wide range of campus-based and online educational and career programs, including certifications, associate’s and bachelor’s degrees, as well as technical and occupational training.

**DeVry University**

With two locations in Greater Fort Lauderdale, DeVry University helps students prepare for workplace challenges by bringing the real world into the classroom, enabling

them to receive an education that can lead to meaningful career success. Students may select from associate’s, bachelor’s and master’s degree programs in the university’s Colleges of Business & Management, Engineering & Information Science or Media Arts & Technology at either local campus and/or online.

**Florida Atlantic University**

Florida Atlantic University’s Davie campus offers more than 40 “2+2” programs in partnership with Broward College. The two institutions share the same campus, which is home for the innovative Teaching & Leadership Center and is the base of operations for FAU’s Everglades research and restoration efforts in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey. FAU’s Dania Beach campus, also known as SeaTech, serves as a research and educational center for programs in ocean engineering. It is headquarters for the Southeast National Marine Renewable Energy Center.

**Kaplan University**

Kaplan University is part of Kaplan Higher Education, which provides more than 125,000 students with a practical, student-centered education online and in classrooms at more than 70 campuses across the U.S. and in Europe. Kaplan is one of the largest for-profit providers of post-secondary education in the U.S. It offers a spectrum of academic



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opportunities in over 100 programs from certificates and undergraduate degrees to graduate, professional and law degrees. Kaplan's varied programs include business, criminal justice, fashion design and graphic arts, health care, information technology and paralegal studies.

**Keiser University**

At Keiser University, a leading statewide provider of career-focused, post-secondary education, students benefit from the school's philosophy of a practical, hands-on approach to education, with small class sizes ensuring a more personal learning experience. Classes are offered during the day, evening and online to accommodate students' schedules. Keiser offers associate's, bachelor's and master's degrees in high-demand, career-related fields such as business, computers and technology,

healthcare, biotechnology, culinary arts, education and legal studies.

**Nova Southeastern University**

Nova Southeastern University is the nation's seventh largest independent university with more than 29,000 students, over 127,000 alumni, a sprawling, 300-acre Fort Lauderdale-Davie campus, and a presence in nine countries around the world. NSU awards associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, graduate, doctoral and first-professional degrees in a wide range of fields. The university offers more than 40 programs including arts and sciences, education, health professions and business and entrepreneurship. The university's Alvin Sherman Library, Research and Information Technology Center is Florida's largest library. NSU's dedication to community outreach and

service is widely acclaimed; an association with the Museum of Art | Fort Lauderdale enables intellectual exchange and cross-disciplinary collaboration.

**Technological University of America**

Technological University of America (TUA), a complete campus of all PhD professors, offers master's, bachelor's and associate's degree programs in IT, technology and engineering-related fields such as telecommunications, network engineering, information technology engineering, systems engineering, business and ESL. TUA also offer IT certification programs and is an authorized Academy for Microsoft, Cisco and CompTIA, Microchip (PIC) Academic Partner, and Testing Center: Prometric & Pearson Vue.

*For a more comprehensive list, see chart on pages 90-91.*



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# BROWARD COUNTY Private Schools by Enrollment

Name of School	City	Phone	Website	Grades	Enrollment	Tuition
American Heritage	Plantation	954-472-0022	www.ahschool.com	PreK 3-12	2,400	\$18,238-29,399
Saint Thomas Aquinas	Fort Lauderdale	954-581-0700	www.aquinas-sta.org	9-12	2,000	\$10,200
North Broward Preparatory School	Coconut Creek & Coral Springs	954-247-0011	www.nbps.org	PreK 3-12	2,000	\$17,500-24,500
University School of Nova Southeastern University	Fort Lauderdale	954-262-4400	http://uschool.nova.edu	PreK-12	1,845	\$15,900-20,500
Pine Crest School	Fort Lauderdale	954-492-4100	www.pinecrest.edu	PreK-12	1,680	\$19,990-24,440
Archbishop McCarthy High School	Fort Lauderdale	954-434-8820	www.mccarthyhigh.org	9-12	1,402	\$7,500-9,200
Cardinal Gibbons High School	Fort Lauderdale	954-491-2900	www.cghsfl.org	9-12	1,100	\$8,100-9,900
Westminster Academy	Fort Lauderdale	954-771-4600	www.wacad.edu	PreK 2 - 12	883	\$4,435-13,350
St. Gregory School	Plantation	954-473-8169	www.cherubim.org	PreK - 8	900	\$5,500
Coral Springs Christian Academy	Coral Springs	954-752-2870	www.cscs.us	PreK 3 - 12	800	\$6,250-10,300
The Sagemont School	Weston	954-389-2454	www.sagemont.com	PreK - 12	800	\$12,800-14,500
Zion Lutheran Christian School	Deerfield Beach	954-421-3146	www.zion-lutheran.org	VPK - 12	800	\$3,850-9,765
Florida Bible Christian School	Miramar	954-431-6770	www.floridabile.org	PreK - 12	700	\$6,226-7,555
St. David Catholic School	Davie	954-472-7086	www.saintdavid.org	PreK - 8	680	\$5,628-5,844
Chamanade-Madonna College Preparatory	Hollywood	954-989-5150	www.cmlions.org	9 - 12	600	\$9,700
St. Andrew Catholic School	Coral Springs	954-753-1280	www.standrewscatholicschool.com	PreK - 8	600	\$4,500-7,000
St. Bonaventure Catholic School	Davie	954-476-5200	www.stbonaventurechurch.com	PreK - 8	600	Varies
David Posnack Jewish Day School	Davie Plantation	954-583-6100	www.posnackschool.org	K - 12	500	\$13,760-17,770
St. Anthony Catholic School	Fort Lauderdale	954-467-7747	www.saintanthonyschoolfl.org	PreK 3 - 8	415	\$5,852-16,995
Gloria Dei Lutheran Academy	Davie	954-475-8584	www.gloriadeiacademy.org	Infant - grade 8	225	Varies
Our Savior Lutheran School	Plantation	954-370-2161	www.oursaviorplantation.org	2yrs-grade 8	200	\$2,600-5,360
Candil Jacaranda School	Plantation	954-473-4400	www.candiljacaranca.com	PreK - 8	200	Varies
Broward Christian School	Plantation	954-472-5750	www.browardchristianschool.com	PreK - 12	200	\$3,550-6,620
Blake School	Plantation	954-584-6816	www.theblakeschoolplantation.com	3yrs - grade 8	180	\$6,000-7,300
Glades Christian Academy	Coral Springs	954-755-6405	www.gladeschristianacademy.com	PreK2 - 7	120	\$5,740-6,950
Lighthouse Christian Academy	Oakland Park	954-564-8950	LCAofbroward@yahoo.com	5-12	50	\$6,800
Sunset Sudbury School	Davie	954-404-7785	sunsetsudbury.org	K-12	15	\$6,600

# SACS or Regionally Accredited Schools

Educational Institution	Degrees/Programs						Broward Program	Location(s)	Workforce Contact
	Associates	Bachelors	Masters	Doctorate	Certificate	Custom Training			
 AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	•	•	•				Weston	954-446-6100 www.aiuniv.edu	
 Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez University System		•	•				Miramar	954-885-5595 www.suagm.edu	
 BARRY UNIVERSITY		•	•	•			Davie, Fort Lauderdale, Pembroke Pines, Weston	305-899-3956 www.barry.edu	
 BROWARD COLLEGE Define yourself.	•	•			•	•	Coconut Creek, Dania Beach, Davie, Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, Pembroke Pines	Norm Seavers 954-201-7813 nseavers@broward.edu	
 DeVry University	•	•	•			•	Fort Lauderdale, Miramar	Julio Torres 954-499-9800 jtorres@mir.devry.edu	
 FAU FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY		•	•	•	•	•	Dania Beach, Davie, Fort Lauderdale	Jessica Lopez 954-236-1237 jlopez82@fau.edu	
 FLORIDA MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY		•					Lauderdale Lakes	Shirleey Paremora 954-714-2442 sparemor@fmuniv.edu	
 KAPLAN UNIVERSITY	•	•	•	•	•	•	Fort Lauderdale	Payal Bharatiya 954-512-5101 pbharatiya@kaplan.edu	
 KEISER UNIVERSITY	•	•	•			•	Fort Lauderdale	Belinda Keiser 954-776-4476 belindak@keiseruniversity.edu	
 NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY	•	•	•	•	•	•	Davie, Fort Lauderdale	Shari Saperstein 954-262-7202 ssaperst@nova.edu	
 UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA IFAS College of Agricultural and Life Sciences		•	•	•			Davie	Janet Miranda 954-577-6371 jmiranda@ufl.edu	
 University of Phoenix		•	•			•	Fort Lauderdale, Miramar, Plantation	866-766-0766, www.phoenix.edu	
Broward Technical Centers	 ATC				•	•	Coconut Creek	Elissa Harvey 754-321-5154 elissa.harvey@browardschools.com	
	 McFadden Broward County Public Schools				•	•	Davie	Lynn Goldman 754-321-5466 lynn.goldman@browardschools.com	
	 STATE COLLEGE OF FLORIDA Technical Center					•	•	Hollywood	Lynn Goldman 754-321-5466 lynn.goldman@browardschools.com

# Other Institutions






Educational Institution	Degrees/Programs						Broward Program Location(s)	Workforce Contact
	Associates	Bachelors	Masters	Doctorate	Certificate	Custom Training		
 The Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale*	•	•					Fort Lauderdale	Wendy Wagner-Lind 954-308-2620 wagnerw@aii.edu
ATI Career Training Center	•						Fort Lauderdale	888-209-8264 www.aticareertraining.edu
 CITY COLLEGE	•	•			•	•	Fort Lauderdale	Dean Weaver 954-492-5353 dweaver@citycollege.edu
 Florida College of Natural Health	•						Pompano Beach	Linda Merklein 954-975-6400 linda.merklein@fcn.com
 ITT Technical Institute	•	•	•				Fort Lauderdale	Patricia Jackley 954-476-9300 , ext. 140 pjackley@itt-tech.edu
 TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA	•	•	•		•	•	Coconut Creek (Fort Lauderdale)	954-971-0092 www.tuauniversity.org



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