

St. Lucie County's budding transformation of identity as Florida's Treasure/Research Coast casts the spotlight on public education and the importance of a top-quality educational system as a strategic component of this emergence. The St. Lucie County School District and its instructional leaders are dedicated to providing rigorous and relevant learning in each school throughout the district that will ultimately yield successful graduates; fully prepared to continue their education or begin a career in our local workforce. For more information about St. Lucie County Public Schools, please visit our website at [www.stlucieschools.org](http://www.stlucieschools.org).



## Did you know... St. Lucie County Public Schools:

- Serves the same geographic area as St. Lucie County as a county-wide school district.
- Includes 19 elementary schools, 6 K – 8 schools, 4 middle schools, 6 high schools and 4 alternative schools.
- Serves more than 40,000 students.
- Has grown by over 3,000 students since August, 2006 and over 8,000 students in the last three years.
- Earned the OPPAGA (Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability) SEAL of *Best Practices* from the State of Florida for responsible financial practices and program delivery.
- Offers International Baccalaureate (IB), University of Cambridge AICE Program, Advanced Placement (AP) and Dual Enrollment courses to high school students.
- Exceeds the state average for the number of high school graduates as a percentage of students enrolled.
- Offers 28 state-of-the-art Career Academies in high schools guided by advisory councils of field professionals.
- Is a member of the Standard Bearer School District network to reinvent educational delivery and provide challenging, engaging and interesting work to students.
- Partners with the Panasonic Foundation and Houghton Mifflin Publishing in developing innovations in teaching and learning.
- Received the highest rating possible (Aaa) from Moody's Rating Service for its most recent issue of investment bonds.
- Is a partner in the Treasure Coast Research Education Park located in Fort Pierce, FL
- Has opened two new Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> grade schools and a new high school in the last two years.
- Will open two new Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> grade schools, a lab – charter school in partnership with Florida Atlantic University and a brand new Fort Pierce Central High School by August, 2008.