

Dixie School District Gets an “A”

The Department of Education released school grades to districts last Wednesday evening. Dixie District Schools received an “A” for the district, as did Anderson Elementary School, Old Town Elementary School, and Ruth Rains Middle School. Although the state will release high school grades later this year, Dixie County High School earned 528 points, highest points ever for their effort on FCAT. School grades for elementary and middle schools are comprised of eight areas deriving from FCAT scores. Those areas include: High Performance in Reading, High Performance in Math, High Performance in Writing, High Performance in Science, Reading Growth, Math Growth, Bottom Quartile Gains in Reading, and Bottom Quartile Gains in Math.

In addition to outstanding school grades, Anderson Elementary School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). AYP is the standard set by the federal No Child Left Behind act. AYP measures proficiency of students in reading, writing and math based on sub-groups of the student population. Those subgroups include students who are: White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, American Indian, Economically Disadvantaged, English Language Learners, and Students With Disabilities. A subgroup must consist of at least 30 students in each particular category to be considered.

Superintendent Rains was bursting with pride upon receiving the scores. He would like to extend congratulations to students, parents, teachers, and administrators for their hard work and dedication to their academic success this year.

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