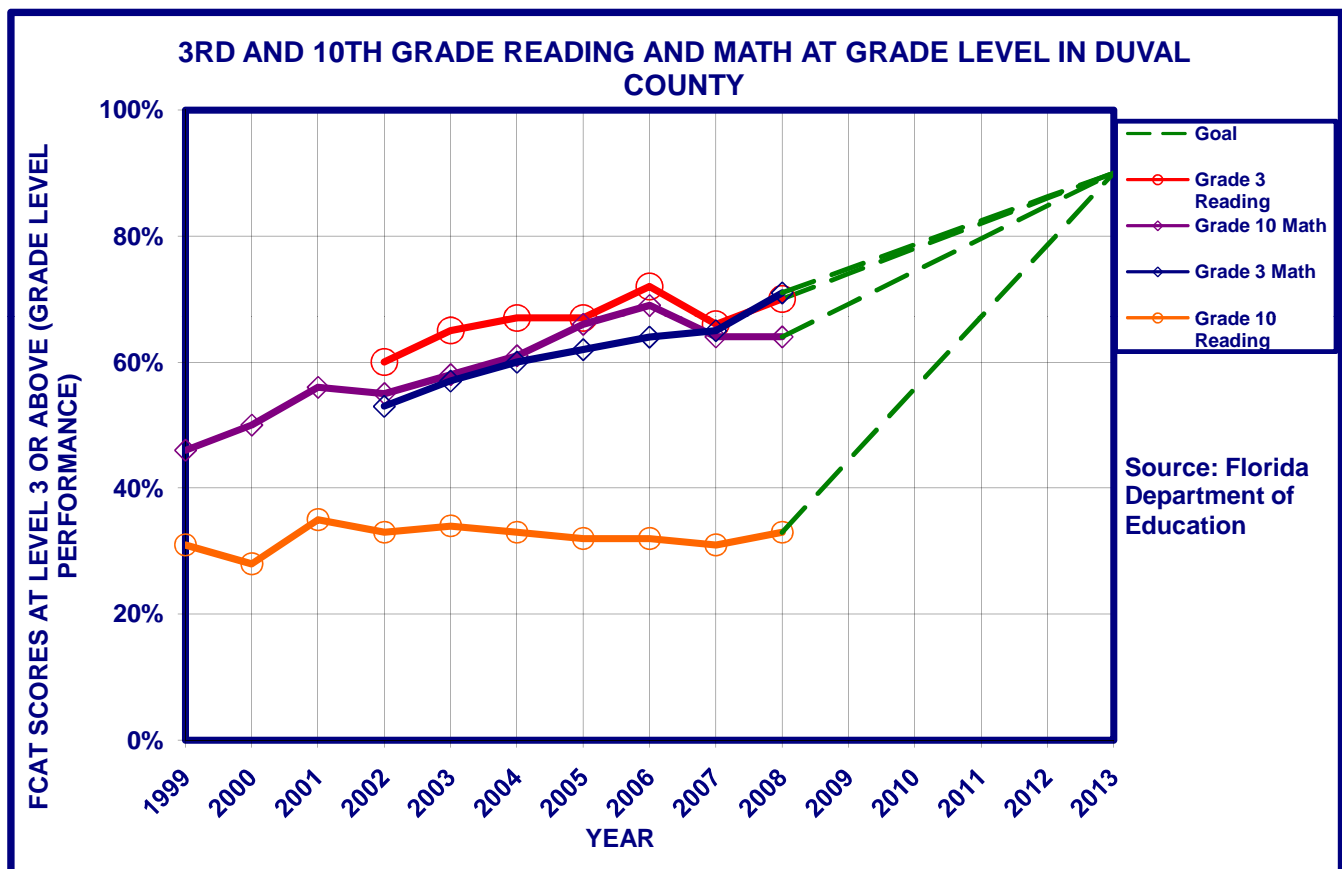


## 2. Education

### b. Graduation Rate and Achievement Gap

#### ii. More than 90 percent of students will perform at grade level in reading and math by 2013.

In Florida, public school performance in reading and math is measured on a five-point scale using the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). Students scoring a three or above on the five-point scale are considered to be achieving at grade level. Grade Three reading and especially math scores show improvement, while 10<sup>th</sup> grade reading and math scores have remained essentially flat. Only one-third of 10<sup>th</sup> graders are reading at grade level.



Students Achieving at Grade Level:

Duval County	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Grade 3 Reading	NA	NA	60%	65%	67%	67%	72%	66%	70%
Grade 3 Math	NA	NA	53%	57%	60%	62%	64%	65%	71%
Grade 10 Reading	28%	35%	33%	34%	33%	32%	32%	31%	33%
Grade 10 Math	50%	56%	55%	58%	61%	66%	69%	64%	64%

Source: Florida Department of Education