

ACALETICS® Schools Score High Marks on 2005 FCAT Math

Miami Lakes, Florida – Todd Collins, Senior District Manager of Educational Development Associates, Inc. (EDA), announced the 2005 FCAT Mathematics scores of their ACALETICS® schools. ACALETICS® is the name trademarked by EDA for their comprehensive approach to student learning. It is built upon the foundation that what it takes to be a good athlete is also what it takes to be a good student: practice, practice, practice.

“We congratulate the teachers, staff, students, and parents of our ACALETICS® schools for their commitment and hard work. We are very proud of their impressive 2005 FCAT Math results. For over 20 years, EDA has partnered with schools to help improve student math achievement. We've been very successful because, as federal and state standards have become more stringent, we've continued to enhance the products and services we provide to our schools. “Our One Size Does NOT Fit All” approach takes into consideration the unique needs of each school. For that reason, we are able to assist any school, whether it needs significant improvement or it is looking to maintain high scores.”

ACALETICS® schools throughout Florida made significant gains in the two Math criteria measured by the State: % of students Making Learning Gains and % of students Meeting High Standards (scoring at or above grade level). Some selected highlights are:

Three ACALETICS® schools ranked #1 in their respective counties in % of students Making Learning Gains in Math: Orange Brook Elementary with 86% (Broward), William Lehman Elementary with 92% (Dade), and Brooksville Elementary with 84% (Hernando).

25 ACALETICS® Schools are recipients of the Florida School Recognition Award which grants \$100 per student to schools which maintain an “A” or improve their school grade.

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Dade County's West Homestead Elementary increased 32 percentage points in percent of students scoring at or above grade level in Math, from 36% in 2004 to 68% in 2005.

Broward County's Panther Run Elementary maintained 91% of their students scoring at or above grade level in Math

Palm Beach County's only two "D" schools in 2004, Rosenwald and West Riviera elementary schools, improved their school grades to a "C". West Riviera now ranks 3rd in the county among all "C" schools in % of students Making Learning Gains in Math (70%).

Hernando County's Moton Elementary, an ESE Center School, made Adequate Yearly Progress under the "No Child Left Behind" guidelines. Over 33% of Moton's student population is classified as students with disabilities.