

School Improvement Grant 1003(g) Cohort 3 Grantees

School Improvement Grants (SIG), authorized under section 1003(g) of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (Title I or ESEA), are grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Education (USED) [School Improvement Grants 1003\(g\) Program](#) to State educational agencies (SEAs).

A School Improvement Grant of \$26,969,574 was awarded to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) and was used to make competitive sub-grants to school districts that demonstrated the greatest need for the funds as well as the strongest commitment and capacity to fully and effectively implement a plan to substantially raise student achievement in their lowest-performing schools.

Districts with Title I-eligible schools identified as “Priority” or “Focus” under Florida’s ESEA [flexibility waiver](#), excluding schools that have since closed or were receiving SIG 1003(g) funds in 2013-14, were eligible to apply for Cohort 3 funds. The ESEA Flexibility Priority and Focus list includes all schools falling into one or more of the following categories—

- Member of SIG 1003(g) Cohorts 1 or 2
- Earned grade of D or F in 2011-12
- Earned graduation rate below 60 percent (regardless of school grade) in 2011-12

The ESEA list defined above is distinct from the Differentiated Accountability list which is updated annually and defines Priority and Focus based on the most recently released school grades.

Twenty-four districts submitted proposals on behalf of 56 schools. After a rigorous review and scoring process, the following 11 schools in nine school districts were selected to form SIG Cohort 3. Award notices were sent on August 1, 2014.

- Lauderhill 6-12 School (Broward County)
- Rock Island Elementary School (Broward County)
- Parkside Elementary School (Collier County)
- Richardson Middle School (Columbia County)
- Sligh Middle School (Hillsborough County)
- Potter Elementary School (Hillsborough County)
- Madison County Central School (Madison County)
- Wheatley Elementary School (Orange County)
- Rosenwald Elementary School (Palm Beach County)
- William D. Moseley Elementary School (Putnam County)
- Atlantic High School (Volusia County)