



Executive Summary for Monarch High School

The Executive Summary (ES) provides the school an opportunity to describe in narrative form its vision as well as strengths and challenges within the context of continuous improvement. Use this template to complete the responses to the various questions below. The responses should be brief, descriptive, and appropriate for the specific section.

Description

Describe the school's size, community/communities, location, and changes it has experienced in the last three years. Include demographic information about the students, staff, and community at large. What unique features and challenges are associated with the community/communities the school serves?

Monarch High School, located in Coconut Creek, Florida, serves approximately 2,100 students in a culturally diverse community. The student population is composed of 40.1% Hispanic, 31% White, 22.8% Black/African American, 3% Asian, and 2.7% Multi-Racial students. With a faculty and staff of 135, including 90 instructional staff, Monarch High offers a supportive and engaging learning environment. Over the past three years, the school has responded to academic and social-emotional challenges by expanding intervention supports, training in literacy across content areas, and increasing outreach to families. Coconut Creek, known as the Butterfly Capital, continues to grow in population and diversity. Our students actively participate in community partnerships, including programs such as JROTC, Latinos in Action, Black Student Union, and Marching Band.

Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and ancillary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs. Describe how the school embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students.

Monarch High School aligns with the vision and mission of Broward County Public Schools. Our 2025–2026 theme, 'Believe. Empower. Achieve.' reflects our dedication to fostering belief in each student's potential, empowering them with the skills and knowledge to succeed, and supporting their journey toward achievement in academics, career, and life. The school offers rigorous academic programs including Cambridge AICE and Advanced Placement (AP), as well as Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways that lead to industry certifications. Our elective programs include JROTC program, Drama, Marketing, Student Government have received recognition for their community service and have been recognized with many awards. Teachers across disciplines are implementing the Science of Reading,

academic vocabulary instruction, and data-driven strategies to improve outcomes and close equity gaps. Our expectations for students include

Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement

Describe the school's notable achievements and areas of improvement in the last three years. Additionally, describe areas for improvement that the school is striving to achieve in the next three years.

Monarch High School improved from a 'C' to a 'B' grade on the Florida Accountability System in 2024–2025, demonstrating significant growth in academic performance and school-wide progress. Our Biology EOC scores rose from 65% to 72%, and the graduation rate improved to 95%. Targeted SAT/ACT support and credit recovery have played a major role in helping seniors meet graduation requirements. The school's Algebra 1 proficiency increased by 15 percentage points, driven by school interventions and standards-based PLC planning. ELA proficiency reached 51%, and our goal is to increase that by 9% over the next three years. Mathematics proficiency was 59%, and we are targeting a 9% increase by 2028. The school-wide instructional strategy is the Gradual Release of Responsibility model, academic vocabulary instruction, increased opportunities for students to engage in active reading and expanded formative assessment use in PLCs. Faculty are being trained on literacy integration and using an Instructional Focus Calendar to align lessons to standards and assessments. These changes support our goal to achieve and sustain an 'A' school rating.

Additional Information

Provide any additional information you would like to share with the public and community that were not prompted in the previous sections.