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ECPS Special Centers Receive DJJ's Highest Accountability Rating

Pensacola, FL - For the second consecutive year, two ECPS Special Centers affiliated with the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) have received DJJ's highest accountability rating.

Escambia Boys' Base and PACE Center for Girls have both been deemed "Commendable" for the 2022-2023 school year.

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) released 2022-2023 DJJ Accountability Ratings on Friday, May 26th. The FDOE calculated the 2022-2023 DJJ Accountability Ratings based on up to 10 components, including graduation rate, grade advancement, qualified teachers, attendance, industry certifications, employment, postsecondary enrollment, mathematics and ELA learning gains on the common assessment, and data integrity.

"Our teachers and staff continue to provide tremendous opportunities for our students who are served in these programs. We are so proud of this accomplishment!" said ECPS Director of Alternative Education Kerri Coots. "The staff at these sites go above and beyond each day to provide not only a stellar education, but also serve as a source of hope and inspiration for their students. The 'Commendable' rating they received is validation of their remarkable work."

For more information on ECSD's Alternative Education Programs, please contact Kerri Coots at kcoots@ecsdfl.us.

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