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CLARK ADVANCED LEARNING CENTER RANKED 7TH BEST HIGH SCHOOL IN FLORIDA

High academic achievement, exceptional graduation rates and outstanding student success earned the Clark Advanced Learning Center designation as the 7th best high school in Florida, according to rankings released by the Florida Department of Education. The Clark received 1, 453 points, 91% of all possible points. The public charter high school is an "A"rated school located on the Chastain Campus of Indian River State College in Stuart.

"Clark students benefit from an outstanding teaching and learning environment. Every Clark student receives personal attention in our small school setting, with opportunities to connect what they learn in the classroom to their career interests and earn college credits while in high school," said Maria Mosley, Clark Executive Director. "We are very proud of our students and teachers for attaining this level of achievement and state-wide recognition."

High Schools are ranked statewide according to the number of school grade points they received for the 2010-2011 school year. Florida's high schools are graded based on scores attained by their students in the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT), graduation rates, accelerated coursework participation and performance, and postsecondary readiness. The total possible points for high schools is 1600.

Since the 1998-1999 school year, Floridians have used school grades to help assess the quality of their local schools. The school rankings, based on the points used to determine school grades, are part of the Department of Education's ongoing effort to increase transparency by providing clear measures and metrics to help parents of school-age children, educators, and taxpayers in Florida evaluate their local schools.

Clark Advanced Learning Center students have an opportunity to complete one to two years of college at no cost through dual enrollment. Students engage in internships related to their interests and utilize technology in project-based learning. A personal laptop computer is assigned to each student while in attendance at the school. The Clark Advanced Learning Center is now accepting applications for the 2012/2013 school year. For more information, call (772) 419-5750 or visit www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org.

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