

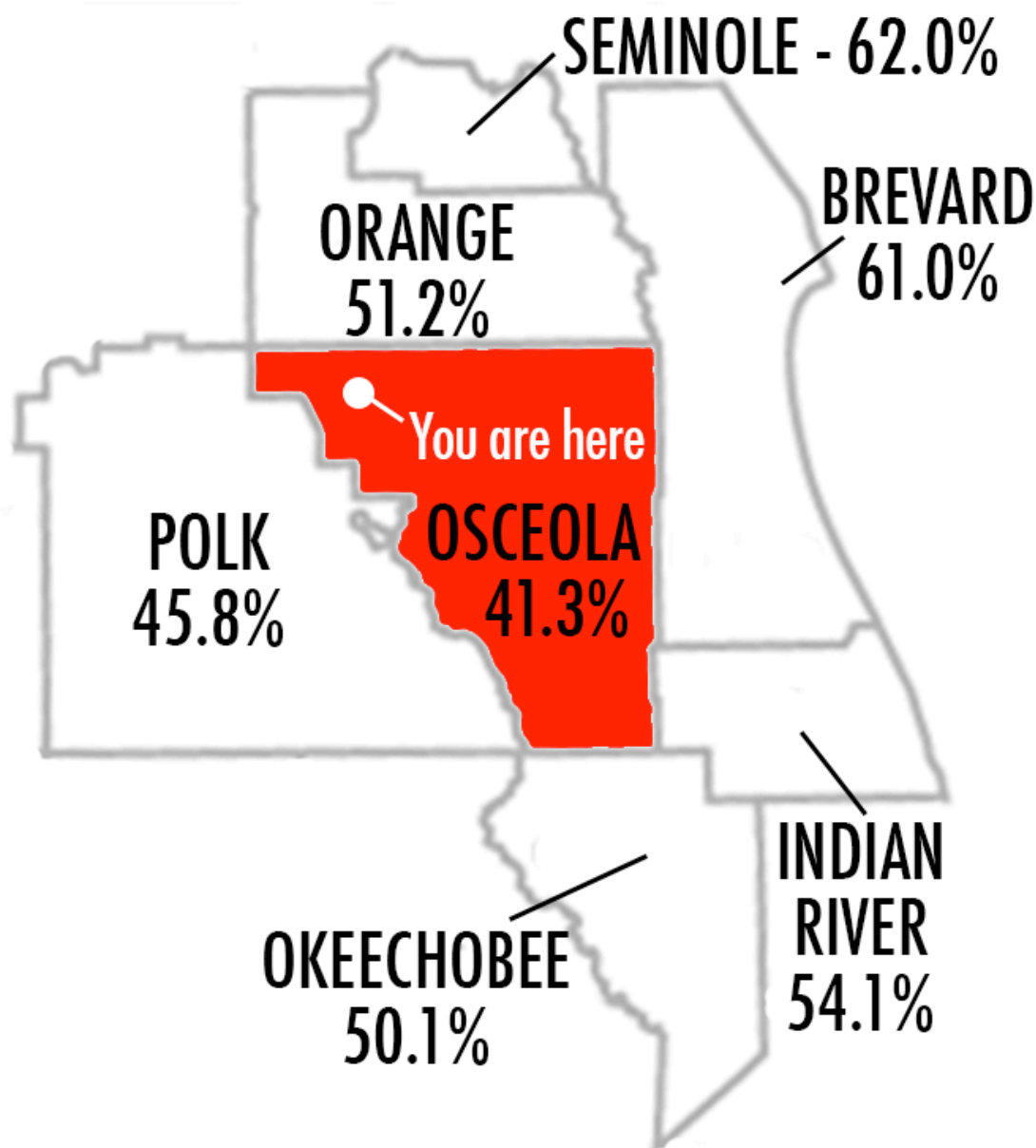
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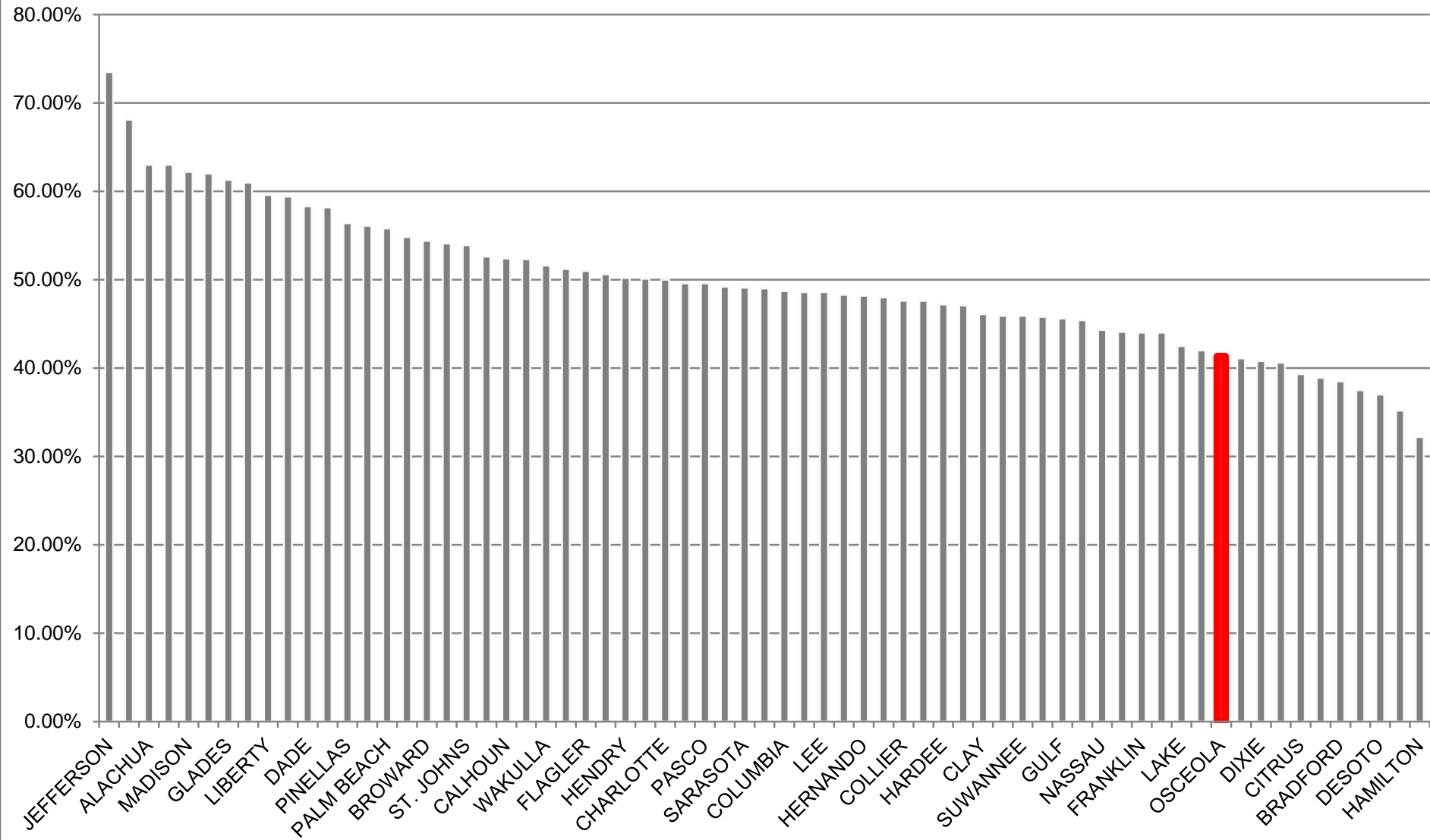
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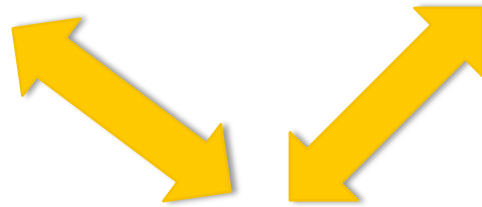
Percentage of high school graduates entering college



Average in the state of Florida : 52.6%

Percentage of 2011 High School Graduates Entering College





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FINDINGS: CHALLENGES

- **Lack of efficient public transportation options**
- **Lack of information about college admissions process for parents and families, particularly in Spanish**
- **Application process for financial aid is complicated**
- **Many parents did not attend college; expectation for students to support family financially**
- **Many students lack a stable home environment**
- **Need to improve curriculum alignment**
- **Students don't understand value of higher education**
- **Too few counselors/career specialists in high schools**

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS & FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE



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CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT



- Received \$10,000 grant from the Florida College System Foundation for English/Language Arts Alignment
- Planning “Go Vertical” Summit in June for teachers from 5th-12th grade and Valencia professors
- Planning “Career Alignment” Summit

CAMPUS EXPRESS: TOURS OF TECO/VALENCIA



DUAL ENROLLMENT



Osceola County Students:
Fall 2013: 608
Spring 2014: 639

Courses offered at:

- Valencia College
- Osceola High School
- St. Cloud High School

Funding to support three
Valencia Transition Coaches,
REACH Scholarships, and
Application Fee Waivers

VALENCIA COLLEGE TRANSITION COACHES



Jocelyn Gomez

Celebration, Poinciana, and Liberty



Jean Johnston

Osceola and Gateway



Natalie Minchew

Harmony, St. Cloud, and Zenith

POTENTIAL FUTURE STEPS

- “Success Express” in partnership with the Osceola Council on Aging
- Shared facilities with TECO in Poinciana and St. Cloud
- Effort to “grow our own” teachers
- Joint grant applications

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