FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
DOE INFORMATION DATABASE REQUIREMENTS VOLUME I

STUDENT DATA ELEMENTS
2025-26

Data Element Number: **126500**

Data Element Name: **Grade Promotion Status: Good Cause Exemption**

As defined in Section 1008.25(6), F.S., one of the following Good Cause Exemptions must be assigned to any Grade 3 student whose Grade Promotion Status = A (Promoted to a higher grade without meeting levels of performance for pupil progression based on meeting criteria for a good cause exemption or because of a prior retention in third grade.)

Code	Definition/Example
0	Not Applicable
1	Limited English proficient students who have had less than 2 years of instruction in an English for Speakers of Other Languages program based on the initial date of entry into a school in the United States.
2	Students with disabilities whose individual education plan indicates that participation in the statewide assessment program is not appropriate, consistent with the requirements of Section 1008.212, F.S.
3	Students who demonstrate an acceptable level of performance on an alternative standardized reading or English Language Arts assessment approved by the State Board of Education.
4	A student who demonstrates through a student portfolio that he or she is performing at least a Level 2 on the statewide, standardized English Language Arts assessment.
5	Students with disabilities who take the statewide, standardized English Language Arts assessment and who have an individual education plan or a Section 504 plan that reflects that the student has received the intensive instruction in reading or English Language Arts for more than 2 years but still demonstrates a deficiency and was previously retained in prekindergarten, grade 1, grade 2 or grade 3.
7	Students who have received intensive reading intervention for 2 or more years but still demonstrate a deficiency in reading and who were previously retained in kindergarten, grade 1, grade 2, or grade 3 for a total of 2 years. A student may not be retained more than once in grade 3.

Data Element Detailed Information

Length:	1
Data Type:	Numeric
Year Implemented:	0203
State Standard:	No
Required Grades:	03

Use Types:	
State Reporting:	Yes
Local Accountability:	Yes
FASTER:	Yes
Migrant Tracking:	No

Applicable Format And Edit

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Formats Required:	**Edits Required:**
Student End of Year Status	3I, 3J, 42, 45, 49

Programs Required:	All Programs
Surveys Required:	Survey 5 Yes
Appendices:	None

Description of Changes:

7/1/2025	Updated code 5 to match statute
4/30/2018	Removed code '6' per updated 2017 Florida School Laws, s. 1008.25(6).F.S.
3/28/2016	Aligned definitions for code 5, 6 & 7 with statutory language.
5/26/2015	Minor language revisions.
7/1/2014	Replacing Sunshine State Standards and FCAT with updated language. (Code 6 is format update only.)
6/25/2014	Added new code per Senate Bill 850