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**Subject:** RE: Florida ranked number 1 in country on teacher policy

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Woohoo! Thanks for sharing, Cari!

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**Subject:** Florida ranked number 1 in country on teacher policy

Governor Bush and members of the board,

Yesterday the National Council on Teacher Quality released their annual report on state teacher policy.

Florida is ranked number 1 in the country based upon on our teacher policies (i.e., laws relating to hiring, firing, compensating, training and certifying teachers).

We earned a B the highest grade NCTQ has ever given out.

At our annual board meeting we will bring recommendations to the board to consider legislation for next session that will continue to keep Florida in the lead and address any areas where other states may still be ahead of us.

If you are interested in reading the full report, you can find it at: [http://www.nctq.org/stpy11/reports/stpy11\\_national\\_report.pdf](http://www.nctq.org/stpy11/reports/stpy11_national_report.pdf)

Patricia

P.s. we are sending an email blast to all lawmakers congratulating them on the grade and thanking them for passing SB 736 last session.