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Clayton County Public Schools Releases CCRPI Information *Reports increase in overall district score, out-paces statewide performance*

JONESBORO – Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) announces its biggest increase in the district’s overall score since the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) was implemented. The CCPS 2016-2017 overall single score of 67.8 points represents a 3.7 increase over 2015-2016 results closing the gap with regards to the statewide score.

With this increase, CCPS outperformed the state of Georgia. The state reported an overall score of 75 points for 2016-2017 as compared to its overall score of 73.6 for 2015-16, an increase of 1.4. In terms of overall growth, CCPS’s growth narrowed the gap between the district and the state from 9.5 points in 2015-2016 to 7.2 in 2016-17.

“We are excited with the possibilities that our progress demonstrates as reported in this year’s CCRPI results,” said Dr. Morcease J. Beasley, CCPS Superintendent of Schools. “While this represents an excellent starting place for our instructional focus of providing an academically challenging and safe environment instruction, we still have much to do to move our district forward.”

“These results provide a foundation for the plan of work that we have developed and continue to refine as we commit ourselves to high performance,” he added.

The CCRPI score is a comprehensive school improvement, accountability, and communication platform that offer districts and schools an opportunity to conduct an in-depth analysis of students’ college and career readiness. Each district and school receives a score out of 100 points; also schools can earn up to 10 bonus points.

A school and district’s overall score is the sum of points earned in three major areas: Achievement (50 points possible), Progress (40 points possible) and Achievement Gap (10 points possible). The 10 bonus points are derived from the Challenge/Extending the Bar category. The Achievement component of CCRPI, which includes Content Mastery, Post High/Middle/Elementary School Readiness, and Graduation Rate/Graduation Rate Predictor makes up 50% of the overall CCRPI score.

What the report shows

- The report showed that five CCPS schools were reported to have scored above 80 points on the 2016-17 CCRPI. Those schools and their scores are: Elite Scholars Academy (Grades six-12) - 102.2; Stilwell School of the Arts - 98.2; M.D. Roberts Middle - 84.8; Arnold Elementary - 82.9; and Morrow Elementary - 80.5

- Of the 62 schools that report CCRPI single score, 56 have scores above 60 points, with 13 schools exhibiting double digit growth in their respective scores. They are: Eddie White Academy (Grades K-8), Edmonds Elementary, Elite Scholars Academy, Fountain Elementary, Harper Elementary, Hawthorne Elementary, Lee Street Elementary, Martin Luther King Elementary, Rivers Edge Elementary, Suder Elementary, Tara Elementary, Unidos Dual Language (Grades K-8) and West Clayton Elementary.
- Schools demonstrating the most improvement in their 2016-2017 CCRPI scores were: Edmonds Elementary +19.7; West Clayton Elementary +19.4, Unidos Dual Language (Grades K-8) +15.7; Harper Elementary +14.6; King Elementary +14.6; Elite Scholars Academy (Grades six-12) +14.0; Tara Elementary +13.8; River’s Edge Elementary +11.8; Fountain Elementary +11.4; Lee Street Elementary +11.1; Eddie White Academy +10.9; Hawthorne Elementary +10.7; and Suder Elementary +10.3
- At the middle school level 12 of 13 campuses reported 2016-2017 scores that were higher than those of 2015-16.
- Based on the 2016-17 CCRPI report, ten schools emerged from the Governor’s List of schools that report campuses with scores below 60 for three consecutive years. Those schools are: Callaway Elementary, Edmonds Elementary, Jonesboro Middle, King Elementary, Lake Ridge Elementary, Lee Street Elementary, Pointe South Elementary, Sequoyah Middle, Unidos Elementary, and West Clayton Elementary schools. Only three of the district’s schools remain on the list.

Michael Tappler, a member of the CCPS Department of Research, Evaluation, Assessment, and Accountability, offered this overview of the district’s 2016-2017 CCRPI performance, “I am pleased with our results and our trajectory in comparison with the State. We hoped to surpass the state’s average within two years.”

“I am basing this on our current growth and our enhanced instructional emphasis on Content Mastery,” he added.

“We will continue to maintain a high level of expectation for our students’ learning using a curriculum that focuses on Literacy, Numeracy, Critical Thinking, and Technology Integration,” Dr. Beasley said. “We will – we must succeed for the children of Clayton County.”

About Clayton County Public Schools

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by AdvancED – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 54,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth largest school system in Georgia.

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