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FY17 GEORGIA ESEA FLEXIBILITY WAIVER SCHOOL STATUS PARENT LETTER

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 requires that parents or guardians who have children attending a Title I school be notified of how well their child's school is preparing students for college and/or a career, as well as the school's designation status under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver.

Under the 2015 renewal of Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver, certain Title I schools will continue to be designated as Reward, Priority, or Focus Schools. The Waiver allows the use of the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) as the comprehensive report card for all schools in Georgia, providing a score between 0-100 for each school measuring how well the school is doing in preparing its students to be successful in college and/or a career.

The CCRPI Score for the 2015 school year is a sum of Achievement, Progress, Achievement Gap and Challenge Points for all schools. The District Report indicates that the CCRPI score for the elementary schools (ES) is 64.8, middle schools (MS) 66.3 and high schools (HS) 71.8 for the 2015 school year. The District's CCRPI overall score for all schools is 67.7. You may also find your child's school's designation at: <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Accountability/Pages/default.aspx>

Priority Schools and Focus Schools receive their designation based on student achievement on statewide assessments. Schools keep their designation until they meet the exit criteria for Priority or Focus School status. Reward Schools are identified annually.

- **Reward Schools** are Title I schools that are either among the State's highest performing schools or schools with significantly high progress. They are identified annually. Highest Performing Reward Schools are among the highest 5% of Title I schools in the state based on the achievement of the "all students" group in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI. High Progress Reward Schools are among the highest 10% of Title I schools in the state based on the progress in improving the performance of the "all students" group over a number of years on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI.
- **Priority Schools** are among the lowest 5% of Title I schools in the state based on achievement of the "all students" group in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI or high schools with a four-year cohort graduation rate less than 60 percent.
- **Focus Schools** are among the lowest 10% of Title I schools in the state that have a subgroup or subgroups with low achievement in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI.

Note: ES = Elementary School, MS = Middle School, and HS = High School		*Flexible Learning Program Schools		
REWARD SCHOOLS	*PRIORITY SCHOOLS		*FOCUS SCHOOLS (cont.)	
<p>Highest Performing for 2015 DeKalb Early College Academy</p> <p>High Progress for 2015 Robert Shaw Theme School Champion Middle Theme School Marbut Elementary School</p> <p>* You will receive more information from your child's school regarding the school's academic performance and what academic supports will be taking place throughout the year; if your child's school has been named as a Priority or Focus School.</p>	<p>Peachcrest ES (Achievement) Toney ES (Achievement) Clarkston HS (Achievement) Columbia HS (Achievement) Cross Keys HS (Graduation Rate) McNair HS (Achievement) Redan HS (Achievement) Towers HS (Achievement) Destiny Achievers Academy of Excellence (Achievement)</p> <p>*FOCUS SCHOOLS Allgood ES (Achievement) Bob Mathis ES (Achievement) Browns Mill ES (Achievement) Canby Lane ES (Achievement) Clifton ES (Achievement)</p>		<p>Barack Obama ES, formally Clifton/Meadowview ES (Achievement) Kelly Lake ES Eldridge L. Miller (Achievement) Montclair ES (Achievement) R. E. McNair Discovery Learning (Achievement) Princeton ES (Achievement) Smoke Rise ES (Achievement) Snapfinger ES (Achievement) Stoneview ES (Achievement) Mary McLeod Bethune MS (Achievement) Columbia MS (Achievement) Freedom MS (Achievement) Lithonia MS (Achievement)</p>	
OTHER NON-DESIGNATED SCHOOLS	NON-DESIGNATED SCHOOLS			
<p>DeKalb Alternative DeKalb Path Academy DeKalb Prep Academy International Community School International Student Center Leadership Prep Academy Margaret Harris Comprehensive UHS of Laurel Heights</p>	Elementary Schools	Elementary Schools	Middle Schools	High Schools
	<p>Avondale ES Briar Vista ES Brockett ES Cary Reynolds ES Cedar Grove ES Chapel Hill ES Columbia ES DESA Dresden ES Dunair ES Edward L. Bouie ES Evansdale ES Fairington ES Fernbank ES Flat Rock ES Flat Shoals ES Hambrick ES Hawthorne ES Henderson Mill ES Hightower ES Huntley Hills ES Idlewood ES Indian Creek ES John R. Lewis ES Jolly ES Kingsley ES Laurel Ridge ES</p>	<p>Livsey ES Marbut ES McLendon ES Midvale ES Murphy Candler ES Narvie J. Harris ES Oakcliff ES Oakview ES Panola Way ES Pine Ridge ES Pleasantdale ES Rainbow ES Redan ES Robert Shaw ES Rock Chapel ES Rockbridge ES Rowland ES Shadow Rock ES Stone Mill ES Stone Mountain ES Wadsworth Magnet School for High Achievers Woodridge ES Woodward ES Wynbrooke ES</p>	<p>Cedar Grove MS Champion Middle Theme Chapel Hill MS Druid Hills MS Henderson MS McNair MS Miller Grove MS Redan MS Salem MS Sequoyah MS Stephenson MS Stone Mountain MS Tucker MS</p>	<p>Arabia Mountain HS Cedar Grove HS Druid Hills HS Chamblee Charter HS DeKalb Early College Academy Druid Hills HS Elizabeth Andrews HS Lakeside HS Lithonia HS Martin Luther King, Jr. HS Miller Grove HS Southwest DeKalb HS Stephenson HS Stone Mountain HS Tucker HS</p>

The Intradistrict Transfer Option law is adhered to in the DeKalb County School District. Due to the massive number of requests for student transfers in the District, many of the choice schools do not have space or seats. Parents are always welcomed to submit applications for 2016-2017 placements. If seats are not available, students will be placed on the waiting lists. If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact the School Choice Office at 678.676.0035.

Respectfully,

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