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No Limits 2 Learning
The Next Level
LAUNCH POINT

- CCRPI Gains
- Graduation Rate Increase
- AP and IB Participation and Performance Increases
- Fiscal Stability and Solvency
- Restorative Practice Infusion: Increase in Attendance and Decrease in Suspensions
- Accreditation
- Stem and Steam Expansion
- CTAE Achievements
- Parent Engagement Depth and Expansion

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Booster Stage:

- Develop and Enhance our “Circle of Care”
- Develop and Embed our Restorative Practice efforts
- Extend and Embed our Tech Plan and our Digital Dreamers Initiative
- Aggressive and Creative in Attracting Top Talent (Teachers and Administrators)
- To Improve and Enhance our Financial Stability
- Focus on Deep Teaching and Learning: New Curriculum Refinement, NWEA MAP, and Illuminate.
- Strategic Attack Team 2.0

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DIGGING DEEPER, RISING HIGHER

Paradox: Diving deeper to go higher - we must dive deeper in order to go higher, not just deeper into our work but deeper into ourselves, introspection.
REACHING THE NEXT LEVEL

- Implement and Expand our Early Childhood Learning Center (Community School Model).
- Launch our Academy for our “Over-aged and Under Achieving Students”
- Implement ERP: From Cross Point to Munis/Tyler
- Our Charge and our Challenge:
  - Introspection: The courage to look in the mirror and then change based on what you see: C to the 4 Power:
    - Greater Courage
    - Greater Communication
    - Greater Collaboration
    - Deeper Commitment (In flight)
- Systems Approach to Internal and External Accountability: Phone Calls, Work Orders, Checks (UPS, FedEx)

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RISING HIGHER

☑ 2018 National Blue Ribbon Schools
Kittredge Magnet School
Austin Elementary School

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GRADUATION RATE SOARS TO NEW LEVELS

☑ Notable increases in high school graduation rates:

- Southwest DeKalb – from 74 percent (2017) to 86 percent (2018) – 12-point increase
- Stephenson – from 80 percent (2017) to 87 percent (2018) – 7-point increase
- Ronald E. McNair – from 62 percent (2017) to nearly 69 percent – 7-point increase
MORE MILESTONES

DCSD students met or exceeded prior year performance in several categories of the English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies exams.

- 40% of high schools showed double-digit increases on mathematics, science, and social studies exams.
- 38% of high school students completed the Ninth-Grade Literature and Composition, American Literature and Composition, Biology, United States History, and Economics End-of-Course assessments.
- 58% of middle schools showed double-digit increases in the percentage of students scoring in the highest performance bands (Proficient and Distinguished) compared to the previous school year.
- 60% of students across DCSD scored within or above the scoring range for Lexile Levels.

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FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

- $1.092 billion for the General Fund
- Millage rate was rolled back for the fifth consecutive year
- $120 million fund balance
- A total 2.5 percent pay increase during the fiscal year and a new salary step structure for both classified and certified employees will be instituted
Fifteen schools were recognized for generating some of the best student achievement statewide by the Governor’s Office of Student Achievement

**Highest Performing Awards**
- Arabia Mountain High School
- Austin Elementary School
- DeKalb Early College Academy
- DeKalb School of the Arts
- Dunwoody High School
- Kittredge Magnet School
- Oak Grove Elementary School
- The Museum School at Avondale Estates
- Vanderlyn Elementary School
- Wadsworth Magnet School for High Achievers

**Greatest Gains Award**
- Arabia Mountain High School
- Brockett Elementary School
- Cedar Grove High School
- DeKalb Early College Academy
- DeKalb PATH Academy Charter School
- Dunwoody High School
- Indian Creek Elementary School
- Kittredge Magnet School
- Laurel Ridge Elementary School
CTAE

- **Work-Based Learning**
  - 1,541 enrolled
  - GeorgiaBEST certification
  - Work Ready certification
  - Earned $2.2M+ Salaries

- **JROTC**
  - Army, Navy, Air Force
  - 19 Units
  - 2,633 enrolled
  - Earned $3.6M+ Scholarship
  - 78 entered Military 2017

- **CTSO**
  - 13,984 enrolled
  - 7 organizations
  - 112 students/teams national qualifiers

- **Pathway Completion**
  - 3,817 (most in state)
  - 52% pass the End of Pathway exam to earn certification

**17 Career Clusters/Programs**

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SAFETY AND SECURITY

Recent enhancements include:

- Two new safety dogs
- Roll Down Doors
- 10 new School Resource Officers and 1 Sergeant
- Safe School Audits
PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

- Opening of initial Family IMPACT Hub center to aid and support families
- Graduated inaugural parent GED class this in Spring 2018
BUILDING BONDS THROUGH COMMUNICATIONS

☑️ Inaugural District Magazine
    More than 12,000 online readers

☑️ Improved automated phone, email, and text notification system

☑️ More than 50,000 readers of monthly e-newsletter

☑️ More than 225 media releases in 2018; response to nearly 700 media inquiries

☑️ New branding campaign featuring revamped use of the DCSD logo

☑️ Launch of PDS-TV digital - more videos, monthly news report

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OPENING OF EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY

☑ Serving 200 four-year-old students in 2018-2019

☑ Expansion to three-year-olds planned for 2019-2020