

DEKALB EARLY COLLEGE ACADEMY

Executive Summary

Established in 2006, DeKalb Early College Academy is the only early college model high school for the DeKalb County School District. Along with our educational partner – Georgia State University at Perimeter College – our students take their upper division courses on a college campus. They receive high school units towards graduation and post-secondary credits *simultaneously*. Upon completion of the program, students will earn their high school diploma and up to 60 credit hours towards an Associate’s Degree, with the possibility of earning both the diploma and the degree. Since these courses are paid with Move On When Ready funding, there are minimal costs incurred by scholars and their families.

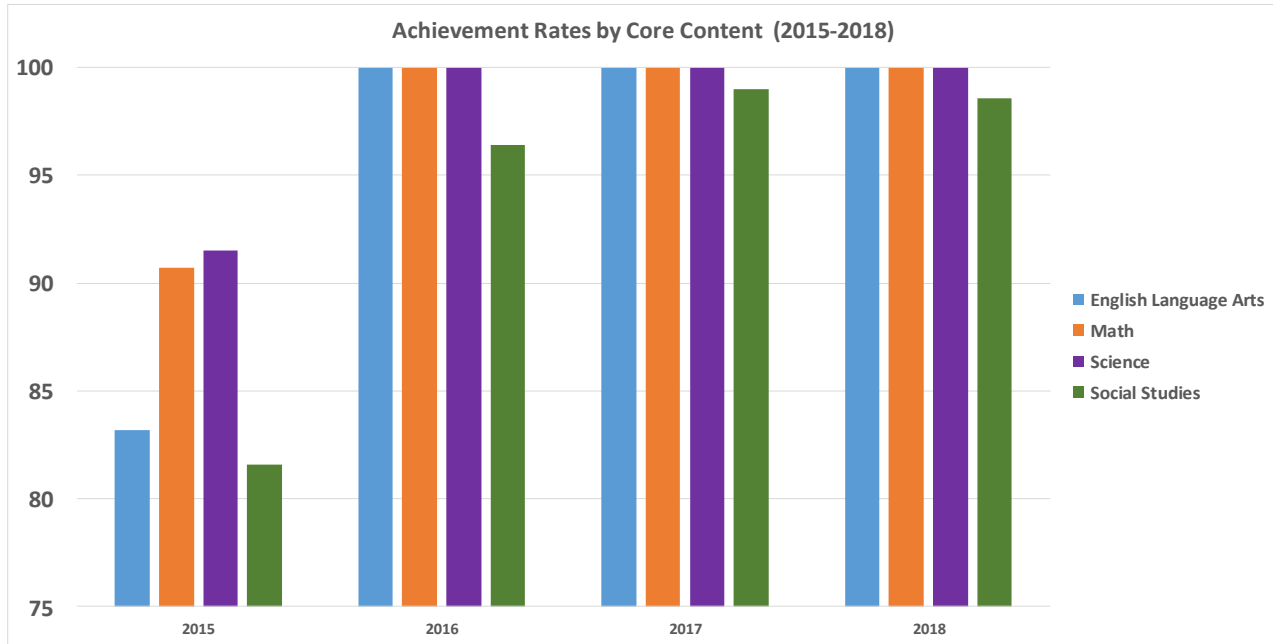
In keeping with the fundamental principles of the national early college high school initiative, we strive to maximize college exposure to young people who can excel in this rigorous academic environment, namely underrepresented populations such as low-income (Title I school), likely first-generation college goers, female scholars, and students of color. The increased academic rigor, compressed timeframe for beginning post-secondary work, and required commitment to community service leads to tremendous successes as a school and for our numerous graduates who have gone on to highly esteemed universities to pursue Bachelor’s degrees and so much more.

Highlights:

2012-2018	Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate Average = 98.1% // Class of 2018 Associates Earned = 75%	
2013-2018	Top 4 High School in Georgia, including #1 Ranking in 2013	[CCRPI]
2013-2018	#1 Early College Model High School in Georgia	[CCRPI]
2012-2018	#1 High School in the DeKalb County School District	[CCRPI]
2012-2018	Title I Highest-Performing Reward School from GA DOE - Top 5% in State Assessments	
2015-2017	GOSA Single Statewide Accountability System Award - Greatest Gains and Highest Performing	
2012-2017	<i>U.S. News & World Reports</i> Best High Schools – National Bronze Medal Recipient	
2012	Georgia School of Excellence	
2011	National Model High School (International Center for Leadership in Education)	

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District and State Ranking CCRPI – High Schools

• 2012	92.1	DCSD - #1	GA - #17
• 2013	99.3	DCSD - #1	GA - #1
• 2014	97.3	DCSD - #1	GA - #4
• 2015	102.5	DCSD - #1	GA - #4
• 2016	106.5	DCSD - #1	GA - #2
• 2017	107.1	DCSD - #1	GA - #2
• 2018	96.6* (redesign)	DCSD - #1	GA - #4