



2015 - 2016

Local School Plan for Improvement

South Gwinnett High School

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Accountability and flexibility are hallmarks of Gwinnett County Public Schools' success. Key to that success is ensuring that each school community understands the progress being made by its schools, as well as what plans will drive improvement. Each school creates a collaborative Local School Plan for Improvement (LSPI), with targeted goals based on student achievement results. These goals are dynamic, like our schools, and are updated to reflect changes that occur in schools. Data is used to determine areas needing improvement and to identify specific, measurable, annual objectives. Schools then determine how to use research-based strategies to achieve these goals, using flexibility as needed. The LSPI development process involves teachers, parents, and community members, so the entire school community has the opportunity to be involved in conversations about school improvement. Please contact the local school principal for more information about the school's plan and progress.

- **Long Term Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School will increase the meet and exceed rates annually for ALL students on the Language Arts/Social Studies and Language Arts/Science sections of the Gateway Exam.

- o **Annual Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School will increase academic achievement for ALL students by increasing the pass rate by 5% on the Language Arts/Science and Language Arts/Social Studies sections of the Gateway Exam during the 2015/16 school year.

- **Long Term Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School will increase the cohort graduation rate for all future graduating classes.

- o **Annual Goal**

The Class of 2015's graduation rate, at The Academy at South Gwinnett High School, is 85%. Our goal is to increase their graduation rate, by 5% resulting in a 90% rate for the graduating class of 2016.

- o **Annual Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School's Leadership Team and Teachers will meet with parents monthly in order to build parental capacity. Teachers will also meet weekly, during their professional development communities, to implement best practiced strategies to increase parental support.

- **Long Term Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School will increase the pass rate annually on the English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies sections of the Georgia Milestones Assessment System, as well as all other local, state, national and international exams for ALL students.

- o **Annual Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School will exceed the county's mean pass rate for ALL students on the English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science sections of the 2015/16 Georgia Milestones Assessment System.

- **Long Term Goal**

The South Gwinnett Cluster will measure beyond the state of Georgia's highest performance level, by five percentage points, for all students in math, as measured by the Georgia Milestones Assessment System, in grades 3-8, Coordinate Algebra and Analytic Geometry. We will also increase SAT scores annually.

- o **Annual Goal**

The Academy at South Gwinnett High School will increase SAT scores in Mathematics to 485. We will increase the number of students scoring 3 or higher on the Advance Placement Calculus (BC) test to 50% and (AB) to 30%. We will exceed the county's mean pass rate on the Mathematics section of the Georgia Milestones Assessment System during the 2015/16 school year.



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- **Long Term Goal**

We will build our parents' capacity to support their children's academic achievement by implementing the activities identified in the Parent Involvement Policy and School/Parent Compact.