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Gwinnett sees 18 point increase on SAT:

Local results continue to top state, national averages

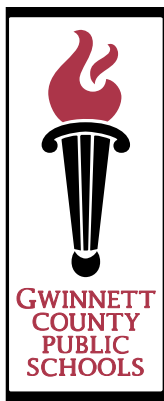
Gwinnett County Public Schools released SAT scores for the Class of 2018, the second class of students to take the revised SAT assessment. The redesigned SAT test prioritizes content that reflects the kind of reading and math students will encounter in college and their future work lives. It focuses on Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and Mathematics. Students also may take an optional essay test, but it is scored separately.

Based on the results of public school students in Georgia and the nation, Gwinnett test-takers topped state and national averages on both sections (Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing and Math) of the test. **Gwinnett's average score of 1102 was 53 points higher** than the national average and **48 points higher** than the state's score of **1054**.

Gwinnett County Public Schools CEO/Superintendent J. Alvin Wilbanks says, "Gwinnett County Public Schools' mission is to prepare students to be successful in college and careers. The fact that our students continue to outperform their peers in Georgia and the nation on the SAT indicates that, consistent with that mission, excellent teaching and learning is occurring in our classrooms. As a result, our students fare well on an important component of the college admissions process."

Gwinnett SAT Highlights

- **Gwinnett's average composite score on the SAT is 1102**, a combination of the average Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing score of 553 and the average Mathematics score of 549. (Possible scores range from 200 to 800 on each section. The highest possible composite score is 1600.)
- **Gwinnett's total SAT average is 53 points above the national average of 1049.**
- **Gwinnett's average is 48 points above the Georgia average of 1054.**
- **In Gwinnett, 8,891 students participated in this past year's test which is a 12% increase from 2017.**
- **The SAT scores for 15 GCPS schools increased, with scores for seven high schools increasing by 20 or more points.**



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Individual school results and system results are found below. Individual school averages can be greatly affected by the unique characteristics of each year’s test takers. Students can improve their SAT scores by doing well in rigorous courses, reading challenging books and articles, and writing concise essays that include compelling details to support a persuasive argument.

Gwinnett County Public Schools SAT Graduating Class Cohort Scores

	2017			2018		
	ERW	Math	Total	ERW	Math	Total
Archer	547	532	1079	546	532	1077
Berkmar	515	507	1022	510	508	1018
Brookwood	568	567	1135	576	578	1154
Central Gwinnett	512	505	1018	512	503	1014
Collins Hill	556	557	1114	553	553	1107
Dacula	544	535	1079	553	544	1097
Discovery	497	488	985	507	501	1008
Duluth	544	553	1097	556	561	1118
Grayson	544	529	1073	549	539	1088
GOC	575	530	1104	592	564	1156
GSMST	653	662	1315	669	694	1364
Lanier	550	533	1084	552	542	1093
Meadowcreek	489	483	972	498	485	983
Mill Creek	568	563	1131	575	572	1148
Mountain View	554	549	1103	560	559	1118
Norcross	523	515	1039	542	544	1086
North Gwinnett	581	588	1168	595	605	1200
Parkview	551	557	1108	575	574	1150
Peachtree Ridge	563	552	1115	564	562	1126
Shiloh	510	498	1009	513	496	1009
South Gwinnett	510	490	1000	508	487	995
GCPS	545	539	1084	553	549	1102
Georgia: All Students	535	515	1050	542	522	1064
Georgia: Public School Students				537	517	1054
Nation: All Students	533	527	1060	536	531	1068
Nation: Public School Students				529	520	1049