



2015 - 2016

Local School Plan for Improvement

Discovery 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**

Discovery High School's four year cohort graduation rate will increase to 75% in 2019-2020.

- o **Annual Goal**

Discovery High School's four year cohort graduation rate will increase 5% for the graduating class of 2016

- **Long Term Goal**

Discovery High School's student performance for first time testers on the Gateway Social Studies and Science exams will increase by 20 points in 2019-2020.

- o **Annual Goal**

Discovery High School will increase students' literacy skills. Student performance for first time testers on the Gateway Social Studies and Science exams will increase 5 mean scale score points.

- **Long Term Goal**

Discovery High School will build parent capacity to support student achievement by implementing the activities outlined in the Parent Involvement Policy and School/Parent Compact.