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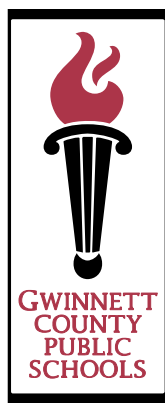
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GCPS middle school students awarded REACH Scholarships

On Wednesday, October 24, at 2:30 p.m., Governor Nathan Deal and Gwinnett County Public Schools CEO/Superintendent J. Alvin Wilbanks will be at Meadowcreek High School to honor nine middle school students who have earned REACH Scholarships. Each of the students will receive a \$10,000 scholarship to attend a Georgia institution of their choice upon high school graduation. The nine scholars are:

Name	School	Grade
Emmanuel Adebessin	Moore MS	8th Grade
Arelie Barriga	Radloff MS	8th Grade
Jonathan Bell	Snellville MS	8th Grade
Takeyra Brown	Grace Snell MS	8th Grade
Jerrilyn De La Rosa	Berkmar MS	8th Grade
Lewis Le	Lilburn MS	8th Grade
Melany Pelayo-Medina	Jordan MS	8th Grade
Kendall Reaves	Sweetwater MS	8th Grade
Kidus Tadesse	Shiloh MS	8th Grade

The REACH Georgia Scholarship Program is a needs-based mentoring and scholarship program providing promising students the support to graduate from high school and achieve postsecondary success. REACH scholars will be paired with a mentor who models positive behavior and provides the student with knowledge, advice, guidance, and support related to education and beyond. Each scholar is also paired with an academic coach who monitors the student's progress, helping them develop education and career plans, and identifying academic and social supports.



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