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Local School Plan for Improvement

J. E. Richards Middle 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**

Richards Middle School will annually increase student achievement in Math for all students and each subgroup, enabling all students to be proficient or distinguished on the Georgia Milestones by 2021 and readying them for high school academic rigor and further success in college, career, and life.

- o **Annual Goal**

Richards Middle School students will demonstrate mastery in mathematics with at least 50% (1092) of grades 6-8 students scoring Proficient and/or Distinguished on the EOG and/or EOC GA Milestones. A minimum of 15% (328) of those students will score in the distinguished performance level. Math students will also perform at or above 50% proficiency with 15% of those students as distinguished, on the GCPS District Assessments from semester pretests to post-tests.

- o **Annual Goal**

Richards Middle School will increase parent involvement in their children's academic achievement by increasing the percent of parents accessing the "Parent Portal" monthly. 50% of all who have created an account will access the portal at least one time a month.

- **Long Term Goal**

Richards Middle School will annually increase student achievement in Reading, Writing and Language Arts for all students and each subgroup, enabling all students to be proficient or distinguished on the Georgia Milestones by 2021 and readying them for high school academic rigor and further success in college, career, and life.

- o **Annual Goal**

Richards Middle School students will demonstrate mastery in language arts with at least 50% (1092) of grades 6-8 students scoring Proficient and/or Distinguished on the EOG GA Milestones. A minimum of 15% (328) of those students will score in the distinguished performance level. Language Arts students will also perform at or above 50% proficiency with 15% of those students as distinguished, on the GCPS District Assessments from semester pretests to post-tests.

- **Long Term Goal**

Richards Middle School will annually increase student achievement in Science for all students and each subgroup, enabling all students to be proficient or distinguished on the Georgia Milestones by 2021 and readying them for high school academic rigor and further success in college, career, and life.

- o **Annual Goal**

Richards Middle School students will demonstrate mastery in science with at least 50% (350) of 8th grade students scoring Proficient and/or Distinguished on the EOG and/or EOC GA Milestones. A minimum of 15% (105) of those students will score in the distinguished performance level. 6th-8th grade Science students will also perform at or above 50% proficiency with 15% of those students as distinguished, on the GCPS District Assessments from semester pretests to post-tests.



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Richards Middle School will annually increase student achievement in Social Studies for all students and each subgroup, enabling all students to be proficient or distinguished on the Georgia Milestones by 2021 and readying them for high school academic rigor and further success in college, career, and life.

- o **Annual Goal**

Richards Middle School students will demonstrate mastery in 8th grade social studies with at least 50% (350) of students scoring Proficient and/or Distinguished on the EOG GA Milestones. A minimum of 20% (140) of those students will score in the distinguished performance level. 6th - 8th grade Social Studies students will also perform at or above 50% proficiency with 20% of those students as distinguished, on the GCPS District Assessments from semester pretests to post-tests.

- **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.