



2019 - 2020

Local School Plan for Improvement

Sweetwater 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**

By 2020-2021, 100% of students at Sweetwater Middle School will be promoted to high school within three years.

- o **Annual Goal**

Sweetwater's special education and ELL students will demonstrate mastery by exceeding the district proficiency total for their respective groups on all district assessments. Sweetwater's gifted population will demonstrate 100% proficiency, with 75% as distinguished, on all district assessments. Additionally, each district assessment's proficiency total should rank in the top 15 of GCPS middle schools.

- o **Annual Goal**

100% of all students will pass all of their courses with each grade level achieving a cumulative GPA of 80% or higher.

- **Long Term Goal**

By 2020-2021, 100% of all students at Sweetwater Middle School will increase academic performance in all content areas to meet or exceed state expectations on the Georgia Milestones Assessment System.

- o **Annual Goal**

Sweetwater students will show mastery in language arts by demonstrating increased proficiency levels on locally developed common assessments, GCPS District Assessments, and the GMAS EOG to 45%, with 13% as distinguished, in 6th grade, 40%, with 10% as distinguished in 7th grade, and 43%, with 12% as distinguished, in 8th grade.

- o **Annual Goal**

Sweetwater students will show mastery in math by demonstrating increased proficiency levels on locally developed common assessments, GCPS District Assessments, and the GMAS EOG to 42%, with 15% as distinguished, in 6th grade, 48%, with 19% as distinguished in 7th grade, 25%, with 5% as distinguished, in 8th grade, and 53%, with 13% as distinguished, on the Algebra I EOC.

- o **Annual Goal**

Sweetwater students will show mastery in social studies and science by demonstrating increased proficiency levels on locally developed common assessments, GCPS District Assessments, and the GMAS EOG/EOC to 43%, with 15% as distinguished. Additionally, SMS will double the number of students taking high school biology. 100% of these students will demonstrate proficiency on the EOC, with 44% as distinguished.

- **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.