

# Accountability Report

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# Maxwell High School of Technology

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## About Maxwell High School of Technology

Maxwell High School of Technology provides Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses in 16 cutting-edge programs:

- Architectural Drawing and Design
- Collision Repair
- Construction
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Electronics
- Fire and Emergency Services
- Flight Operations
- Graphic Design
- Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning/Refrigeration (HVACR)
- Law Enforcement
- Maintenance and Light Repair (Automotive Services)
- Metals (Welding)
- Personal Care Services (Cosmetology)
- Programming (Apps and Game Design)
- Therapeutic Services (Healthcare)

Maxwell teaches CTE courses in specialized career fields. These courses provide students with essential skills needed to enter the workforce, begin apprenticeship training, enter a postsecondary technical school, or continue toward a college degree. Program instructors have experience in their fields and some programs are industry-certified.

The school's state-of-the-art technology, equipment, and facilities go beyond what is available in a traditional high school. Students from all GCPS high schools may enroll in these programs to explore industries in depth and gain real-world experience before entering college or joining the workforce.

The program is open to juniors and seniors and GCPS provides transportation to and from local high schools. Students spend half of their school day at Maxwell and the other half at their home school or in online classes. Students may select

embedded-credit coursework, earning both a technical education course credit and academic credit in language arts, mathematics, or science.

Maxwell continues to develop new programs and options for students. Depending on the field of study, students may be able to earn college credit. Gwinnett County Public Schools has an agreement with Gwinnett Technical College that give students the opportunity to exempt course work already completed in the Maxwell program. Maxwell students who are accepted to Gwinnett Technical College and meet the criteria established by both the accepting college and Maxwell High School, may advance to a higher level course or exempt required internship hours, saving the student and parent time and money. This seamless educational program is designed to eliminate duplication of course work already mastered in high school.

## Local school improvement connected to district's strategic direction

Gwinnett County Public Schools' accountability system for improving schools is called the Results-Based Evaluation System (RBES). RBES fairly and systematically measures a school's progress, providing a process that clearly communicates expectations; reviews, monitors, and supports school performance; and evaluates that performance. This report reflects achievement data and state data reporting from the 2016–17 school year, as well as consolidated information on the school's effectiveness, based on multiple measures and student characteristics. Using the data in this report, school administrators, teachers, and parent advisory groups developed this year's Local School Plans for

Improvement (LSPI) which outline our improvement goals and guide the work we will do throughout the 2017–18 school year to support student learning. These improvement plans are connected to the school district's strategic direction and our core business of teaching and learning. Find our school's LSPI on the website. The Maxwell school council and school leaders collaborated on the highlights in this accountability report, which also serves as the school's annual report.

**Please review this report to learn more about our improvement efforts and progress.**

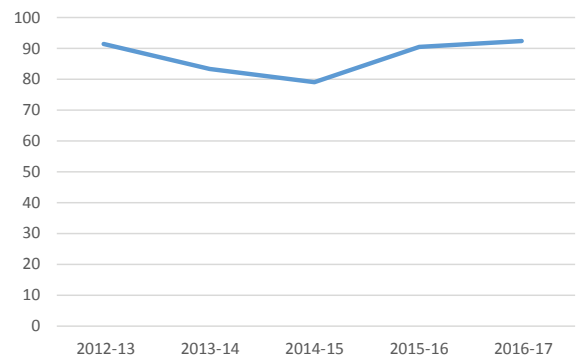
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- A number of students earned certification. Auto Services students earned more than 25 industry certifications. All welding students earned NCCER certification. Maxwell had a 100% pass rate on Certified Nursing Assistant certification exam. Construction and HVAC classes are 100% OSHA 10-certified.
- The Auto Collision program received a \$10,000 grant.
- Fire Services conducted a Vehicle Extrication event.
- Capt. Ken Phelps was named national Aerospace Education Teacher of the Year.
- Max Chavez was named Georgia TIEGA Teacher of the Year and was nominated for GCTE Teacher of the Year.
- Maxwell hosted 21 Korean exchange students.
- More than 150 middle school students attended summer career camp.
- Staff and students raised money for Quinn House, Relay For Life, and United Way.
- More than 25 students and two faculty members participated in a work trip to Guatemala City.
- Full-time Georgia Bright From the Start Pre-K classes provide a lab setting for Early Childhood Education students.
- Maxwell students take part in regional, state, and national competitions through co-curricular student organizations to

learn leadership skills, teamwork, and character development. The following student organizations are active at Maxwell: Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); HOSA Future Health Professionals; and SkillsUSA. In SkillsUSA state competition, we had 10 champions and seven runner-up finishers. Culinary Arts students won 2nd place in state FCCLA competition.

- All Maxwell students participate in the Work Ready Advise-ment Program, studying conflict resolution, business etiquette, business ethics, job application completion, résumé writing, and interviewing.
- The Work-Based Learning program at Maxwell gives students opportunities to work in their anticipated career field through cooperative education, internships, and /or apprenticeships, applying knowledge and skills from the classroom to real-life situations in the workplace.

## Cohort Graduation Rate



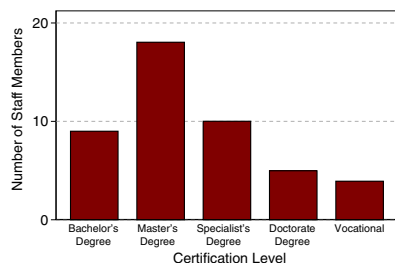
## Student Data (2014–15 to 2016–17)

	School Year		
	14–15	15–16	16–17
<b>Enrollment</b>	918	1084	971
+American Indian/Alaskan Native*	1%	0%	0%
+Asian*	7%	6%	6%
+Black/African American*	32%	38%	35%
+Hispanic or Latino, any race	32%	34%	38%
+Multiracial, two or more races*	3%	2%	2%
+Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander*	0%	0%	0%
+White*	25%	20%	18%
Special Education	18%	16%	15%
ESOL	30%	32%	36%
Free/Reduced Lunch	62%	60%	61%
Average Attendance	95%	94%	95%

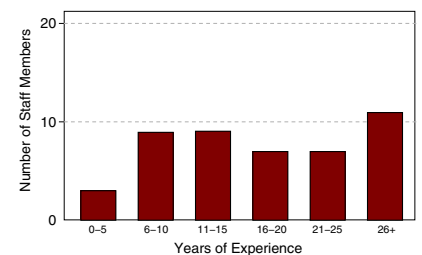
\*Not Hispanic or Latino

## 2016–17 Staff Data

### Staff Certification Level



### Experience in Education



## School Safety Perceptions

Based on responses from those with an opinion who responded to the 2016–17 RBES Perception Survey...

- 91% of students agreed or strongly agreed that they felt safe at Maxwell HS.
- 100% of parents agreed or strongly agreed that their child's school was safe.

*The mission of Gwinnett County Public Schools is to pursue excellence in academic knowledge, skills, and behavior for each student, resulting in measured improvement against local, national, and world-class standards.*

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