

Accountability and Recognitions State of Georgia

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"Create the finest schools in the nation, where every Georgia student is optimally educated, college and work ready, and prepared to compete in the global marketplace."

- Alliance of Education Agency Heads (AEAH) Mission Statement





No Child Left Behind Act

Each State shall...

Develop and implement a single statewide accountability system that will be effective in ensuring that all local educational agencies and public schools make adequate yearly progress.





Georgia Code 20-14-26

- To create, with the approval of the State Board of Education (SBOE), a performance-based accountability system;
- > To establish indicators of performance;
- Rate schools and systems;
- Develop annual report cards;

> Develop a single statewide accountability system for schools and systems incorporating federal law, rules, and regulations.





Single Statewide Accountability System (SSAS) Approved by the State Board of Education July 14, 2005

SBOE Rules Chapter 160-7-1:

- > SSAS 160-7-1-.01
- Definitions 160-7-1-.02
- > Accountability Profile 160-7-1-.03
- > Awards and Consequences 160-7-1-.04





Georgia's Single Statewide Accountability System

- > All students
- > All schools and school districts
- > Rigorous academic standards
- Curriculum-based assessments
- Collaboration with the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE), other state and national education agencies, and other education stakeholders across Georgia

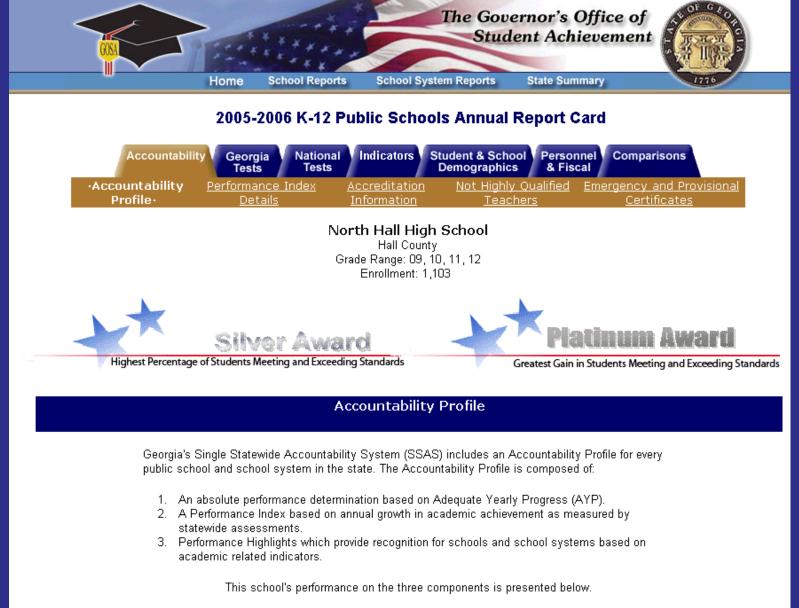




ACCOUNTABILITY PROFILE

1. Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) (Districts & Schools)	2. School Performance Index (Schools)	3. Performance Highlights (Districts & Schools)
Met AYP	Greatest Gain	Currently, Academic
or	or	Indicators above 80%
Did Not Meet AYP	Highest Percentage	
 AYP is based on: 1) 95% assessment participation; 2) Assessment results in reading / English language arts & math; 3) Second indicator 	Based on: Greatest Gain or Highest Percentage of students meeting and exceeding standards; Full Academic Year Students; CRCT results for grades 1-8 in 5 subjects; Grade 11 GHSGT in English, math, Science, Social Studies; AYP status; Percent exceeding	Showcases top school districts' and schools' academic indicators based on data collected from the State Report Card.





1) Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)

School met AYP School met criteria in 5 out of 5 areas Non-Title I School Improvement Status: Distinguished Link to full AYP report



2) Performance Index

The Performance Index includes two components for each public school that detail the Percentage of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards and the gain or loss of that percentage from the previous year.

The Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA) awards those schools with the Highest Percentage of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards and those with the Greatest Gain in Percentage of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards.

Criteria were developed comparing the most recent two years of Criterion Referenced Competency Test (CRCT) (grades 1-8 in reading, English/language arts, math, social studies, and science) and/or the Georgia High School Graduation Test (grade 11 first time test takers - English/language arts, math, science, and social studies). Criteria were based on Full Academic Year (FAY) students.

- The percentage of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards in the current year is 96.5%.
- This percentage reflects a Gain over the prior year of 8.68%.
- This change was at or above 99.74% of the high schools in Georgia.
- This school received the 2006 Silver Award for Highest Percentage of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards.
- This school received the 2006 Platinum Award for Greatest Gain in Percentage of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards.

Click Here for how the Performance Index is calculated

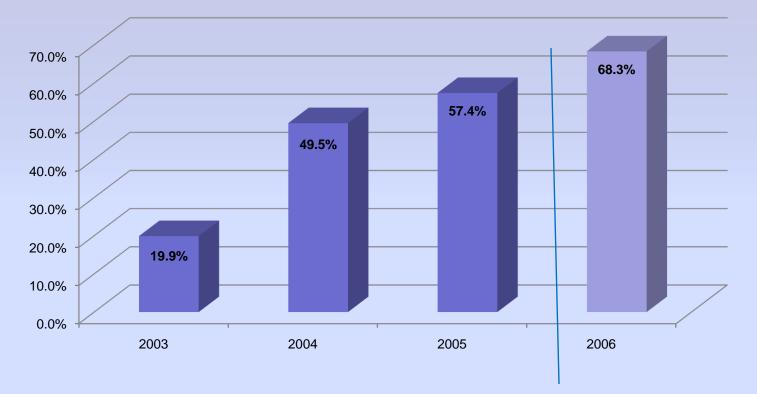
3) Performance Highlights

This information reflects the 2005-2006 State Report Cards data which includes data for all students, not just Full Academic Year (FAY) students. Performance Highlights list the academic measurements for this school that meet or exceed 80%.

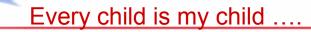
11th Grade - GHSGT English Language Arts99.49 Percent Meeting and Exceeding Standard11th Grade - GHSGT Mathematics99.49 Percent Meeting and Exceeding Standard11th Grade - GHSGT Social Studies95.38 Percent Meeting and Exceeding Standard11th Grade - GHSGT Social Studies91.79 Percent Meeting and Exceeding StandardGeorgia High School Writing Test89.24 Percent Meeting and Exceeding Standard



Percent of Middle Schools Making AYP

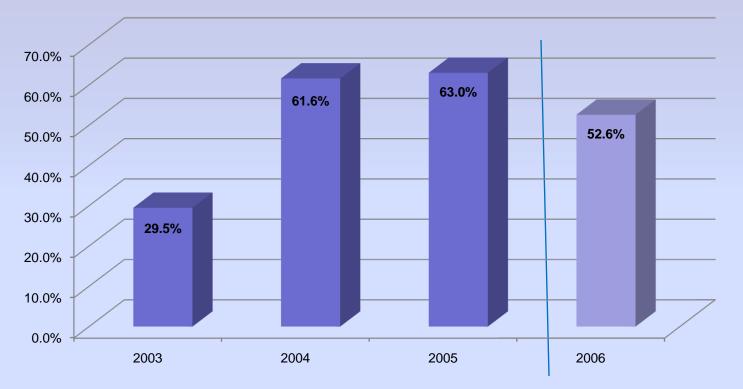


Source: GOSA/GaDOE Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Reports





Percent of High Schools Making AYP



Source: GOSA/GaDOE Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Reports

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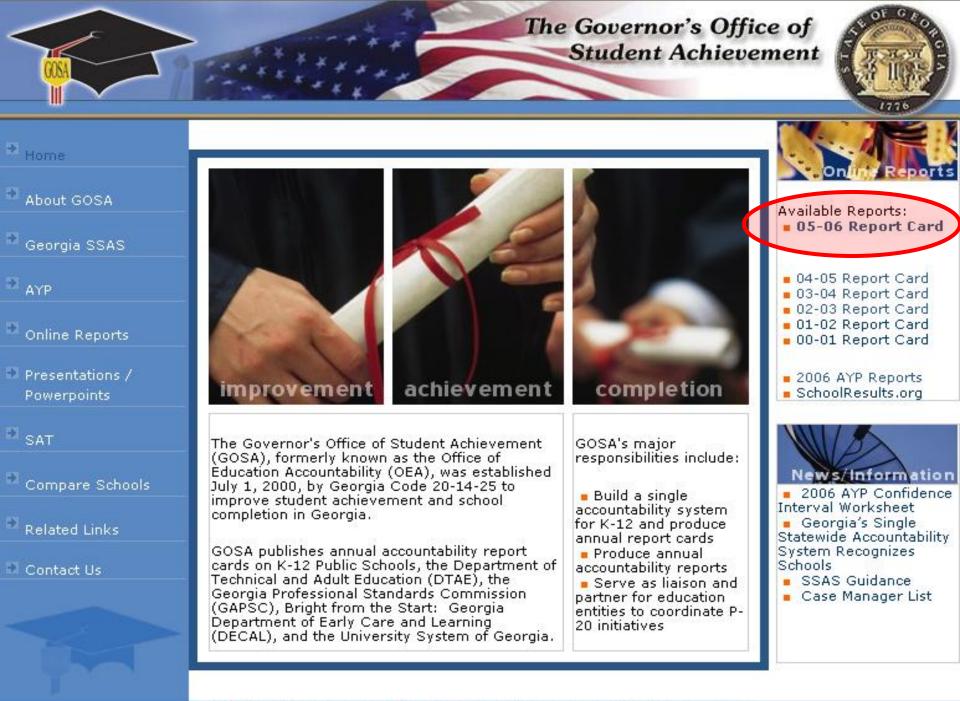
Annual State Report Card - Contents

The Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA) publishes annual accountability report cards on:

K-12 Public Schools

- 1. Accountability (Single Statewide Accountability System SSAS)
- 2. Georgia Tests
- 3. National Tests
- 4. School Performance Indicators
- 5. Student and School Demographics
- 6. Personnel and Fiscal
- 7. Comparability Section
- Department of Technical and Adult Education (DTAE)
- Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GAPSC)
- Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL)
- University System of Georgia.

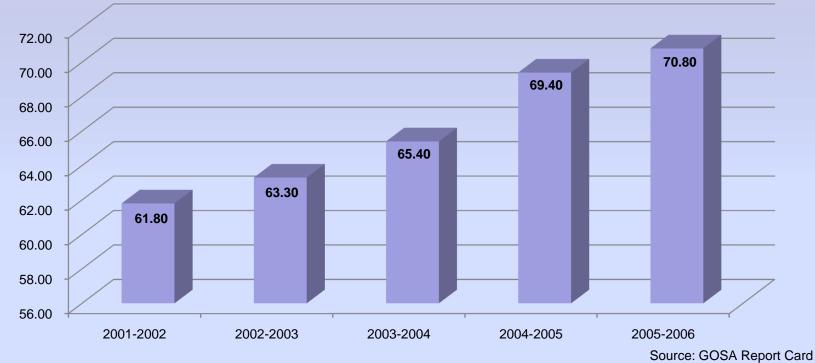
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Graduation Rate 2002 to 2006



Based on the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) Proxy Formula





High School Graduation Rate Calculations Current, National Governor's Association Compact and Averaged Freshman Graduation

Georgia's Current Graduation Rate Calculation

Since 2002, Georgia has been calculating its high school graduation rate using a "proxy" formula – one of the three federally allowed high school graduation rate formulas since the enactment of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Definition

Regular diploma recipients as a percent of students leaving high school over a four-year period (estimated as the sum of diploma recipients and dropouts during the past four years in grades 9 through 12 respectively).

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Graduation Rate =

of regular diplomas # of regular diplomas + # of special education diplomas + # of certificates of attendance + # of dropouts in 12th grade (current year), 11th grade (current year -1), 10th grade (current year -2) and 9th grade (current year -3)

National Governors Association (NGA) Compact

The governors agreed to calculate graduation rates by dividing the number of on-time graduates in a given year by the number of first-time entering ninth graders four years earlier.

Under the compact, graduates are those students who receive a regular high school diploma. The denominator can be adjusted for transfers in and out of the system.

The governors also agreed to develop data systems to track individual students with a longitudinal student unit record data system. When in place, this system will allow states to have even more accurate records of what is happening to students.

U.S. Department of Education Averaged Freshman Graduation Rate (AFGR)

In 2005, the U.S. Department of Education started reporting the Averaged Freshman Graduation Rate (AFGR) alongside the rates reported by each state as part of the state report card. Their intent was to provide an "interim estimator," which will be used until states implement the necessary data collection systems to track students longitudinally.

In calculating the AFGR, the U.S. Department of Education will use existing data submitted through the Common Core of Data, which is part of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). AFGR =

The AFGR is the number of high school graduates receiving a regular diploma in a given year divided by the average of the number of students enrolled in eighth grade five years earlier, ninth grade four years earlier, and tenth grade three years earlier. Note: This calculation can only be used at the State and National levels, not at district or school levels which is why GA uses the NCES proxy rate to calculate graduation rate.

(Source: NCES at U.S. Department of Education - November 4, 2005)

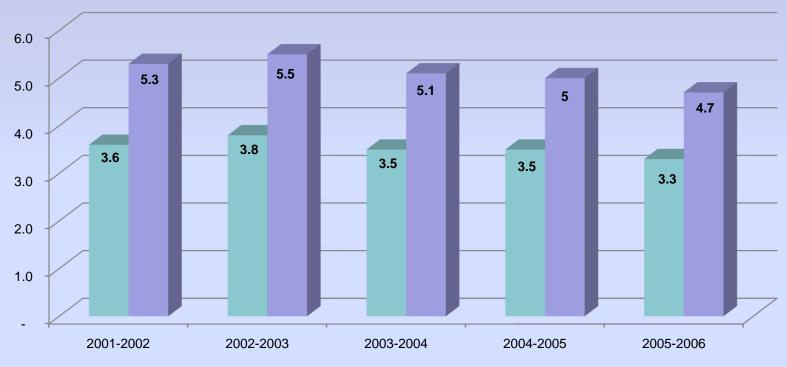
School Year	Georgia "Proxy" Graduation Rate (NCES Formula)	*Average Freshman Graduation Rate Index (US DOE)	Difference Between Rates
2001- 2002	63.0%	61.1%	1.9%
2002-	63.3%	60.8%	2.5%
2003-	65.4%	61.2%	4.2%
2004	60.10/		
2004- 2005	69.4%		
2005- 2006	70.8%		





Drop Out Rates (7-12 and 9-12) 2002 to 2006

7-12 Drop Out Rate
9-12 Drop Out Rate



Source: GOSA Report Card

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Total SAT Score 2002 to 2006

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Note: In 2006, Total SAT Scores were reported on a scale of 2400.

Source: GOSA Report Card

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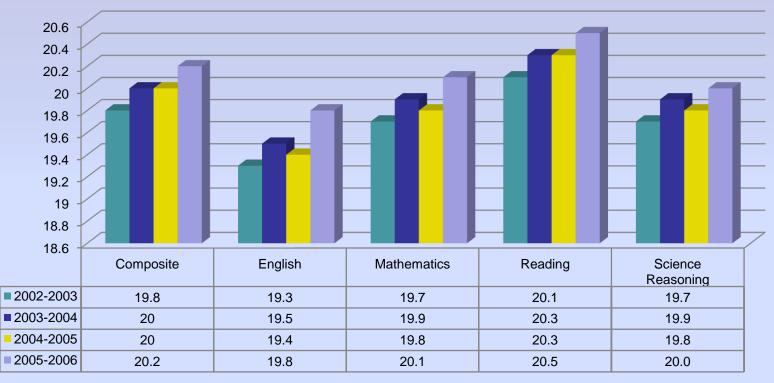
Advanced Placement (AP) Exams							
	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006				
Number of Students Taking Tests	25,382	29,114	37,609				
Number of Tests Taken	39,549	45,937	59,652				
Number of Test Scores 3 or Higher	22,336	25,267	31,631				
Percentage of Test Scores 3 or Higher	56.50%	55.00%	53.03%				

Source: GOSA Report Card

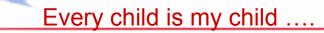




Average ACT Scores (Composite and Subtest) 2003 to 2006



Source: GOSA Report Card





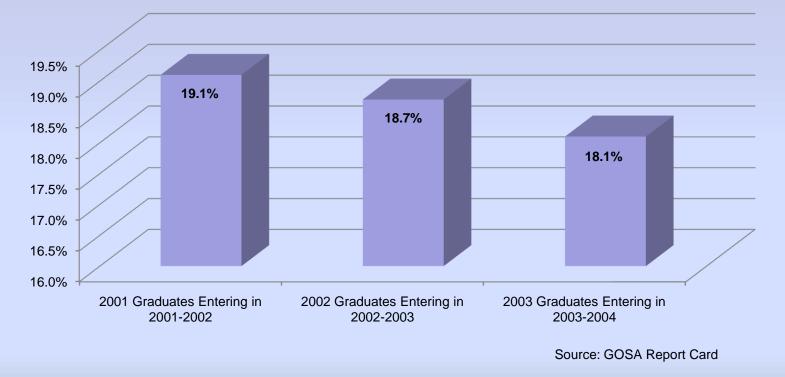
Percent of Graduates Eligible for HOPE Scholarship 2004 to 2006

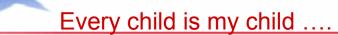






Percent of Graduates Entering Georgia Public Colleges and Requiring Learning Support 2002 to 2004







Award Structure: Performance Index Criteria

Performance Levels	AYP Status	<u>Greatest Gain</u> in Percentage Meeting and Exceeding (M & E) Standards	Highest Percentage Meeting and Exceeding (M & E) Standards
PLATINUM	Yes (Last 3 years)	Top 2 Percent of State (98 th Percentile) Minimum of 35% Exceeding	Minimum 98% (M & E) Minimum 35% Exceeding
GOLD	Yes (Last 2 years)	Top 3 Percent of State (97 th Percentile) Minimum of 30% Exceeding	Minimum 97% (M & E) Minimum 30% Exceeding
SILVER	Yes (Last 2 years)	Top 4 Percent of State (96 th Percentile) Minimum of 25% Exceeding	Minimum 96% (M & E) Minimum 25% Exceeding
BRONZE	Yes or No for current year (Not in Needs Improvement)	Top 5 Percent of State (95 th Percentile) Minimum of 20% Exceeding	Minimum 95% (M & E) Minimum 20% Exceeding



State of Georgia Governor's Office of Student Achievement

2006 PLATINUM AWARD

Greatest Gain Meeting and Exceeding Standards





Sonny Perdue Governor of Georgia



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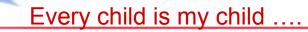




2006 SSAS Award Winners – Highest Performance – High School

School System	School	Award Level	School System	School	Award Level
Chatham County	Savannah Arts Academy	Platinum	Fulton County	Alpharetta High School	Silver
Cherokee County	Etowah High School	Silver	Fulton County	Chattahoochee High School	Silver
Cherokee County	Sequoyah High School	Silver	Fulton County	Milton High School	Gold
Cherokee County	Woodstock High School	Silver	Fulton County	Northview High School	Gold
Cobb County	Harrison High School	Silver	Fulton County	Roswell High School	Silver
Cobb County	Lassiter High School	Platinum	Gwinnett County	Brookwood High School	Bronze
Cobb County	Pope High School	Silver	Gwinnett County	North Gwinnett High School	Silver
Cobb County	Walton High School	Platinum	Gwinnett County	Parkview High School	Bronze
Columbia County	Evans High School	Bronze	Hall County	North Hall High School	Silver
DeKalb County	DeKalb School of the Arts	Gold	Muscogee County	Columbus High School	Platinum
Fayette County	McIntosh High School	Gold	Oconee County	Oconee County High School	Bronze
Fayette County	Sandy Creek High School	Bronze	Richmond County	Davidson Magnet School	Platinum
Fayette County	Starrs Mill High School	Gold	Richmond County	Johnson Magnet	Platinum
Fayette County	Whitewater High School	Bronze	Rockdale County	Heritage High School	Bronze

Source: GOSA Report Card





2006 SSAS Award Winners – Greatest Gain– High School

School System	School	Award Level	School System	School	Award Level
Barrow County	Winder-Barrow High School	Platinum	Jasper County	Jasper County High School	Platinum
Bartow County	Adairsville High School	Platinum	McDuffie County	Thomson High School	Bronze
Berrien County	Berrien High School	Silver	Muscogee County	Shaw High School	Platinum
Clinch County	Clinch County High School	Gold	Pelham City	Pelham High School	Silver
DeKalb County	Columbia High School	Bronze	Randolph County	Randolph Clay High School	Bronze
Fulton County	Banneker High School	Bronze	Schley County	Schley Middle High School	Silver
Hall County	Flowery Branch High School	Platinum	Turner County	Turner County High School	Platinum
Hall County	Johnson High School	Gold	Walton County	Monroe Area High School	Gold
Hall County	North Hall High School	Platinum	Washington County	Washington County High School	Platinum
Hall County	West Hall High School	Silver	Wilkes County	Washington-Wilkes High School	Gold

Source: GOSA Report Card





Governor Sonny Perdue's Governor's Cup Challenge to Georgia high schools to improve SAT scores. On September 20, 2004, Governor Perdue announced the first winners of the Governor's Cup and renewed this friendly competition for the 2004-2005 year. The competition has been renewed for the 2005-2006 year and winners are announced in the early fall after the release of SAT scores in mid-August.





2006 Class Winners - Governor's Cup and \$2000 grant

				Average Most Recent SAT Scores (Math Plus Reading)			
Class	Region	System Name	School Name	2004 2005 2006		Average Change	
А	8-A	Social Circle City	Social Circle High School	930	1032	1040	55
AA	1-AA	Berrien	Berrien High School	861	930	961	50
AAA	5-AAA	DeKalb	Druid Hills High School	998	1048	1087	44.5
АААА	7-AAAA	Walker	Ridgeland High School	954	981	1030	38
ААААА	7-AAAAA	Gwinnett	Peachtree Ridge High School	970	1039	1043	36.5

Source: SATRocks.com





2006 Region Winners - Trophy and \$1000 grant

				Average Most Recent SAT Scores (Math Plus Reading)		Average	
Class	Region	System Name	School Name	2004	2005	2006	Change **
А	1-A	Pelham City	Pelham High School	899	886	974	37.5
AA	1-AA	Berrien	Berrien High School	861	930	961	<mark>50</mark>
AAA	1-AAA	Grady	Cairo High School	927	961	950	11.5
AAAA	1-AAAA	Thomas	Thomas County Central High School	942	933	973	15.5
ААААА	1-AAAAA	Houston	Houston County High School	989	1009	1039	25
А	2-A	Taylor	Taylor County High School	890	870	925	17.5
AA	2-AA	Pierce	Pierce County High School	923	954	965	21
AAA	2-AAA	Troup	Troup County High School	946	960	979	16.5
AAAA	2-AAAA	Effingham	Effingham County High School	976	974	995	9.5
ААААА	2-AAAAA	Clayton	Riverdale High School	841	873	880	19.5
А	3-A	Jenkins	Jenkins County High School	912	940	962	25
AA	3-AA	Tattnall	Tattnall County High School	894	957	961	33.5
AAA	3-AAA	Effingham	South Effingham High School	950	962	1020	35
AAAA	3-AAAA	Bibb	Central High School	972	985	1005	16.5
AAAAA	3-AAAAA	Chatham	Windsor Forest High School	939	950	992	26.5

Source: SATRocks.com

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2006 Region Winners - Trophy and \$1000 grant

				Average Most Recent SAT Scores (Math Plus Reading)		Average	
Class	Region	System Name	School Name	2004	2005	2006	Change **
А	4-A	Wilkinson	Wilkinson County High School	812	833	872	30
AA	4-AA	Macon	Macon County High School	746	787	821	37.5
ААА	4-AAA	Washington	Washington County High School	910	963	986	38
АААА	4-AAAA	Coweta	Northgate High School	1026	1030	1039	6.5
ААААА	4-AAAAA	Coweta	East Coweta High School	977	985	1003	13
А	5-A	Dekalb	Dekalb School Of The Arts	1020	1013	1103	41.5
AA	5-AA	Dekalb	Cross Keys High School	854	885	895	20.5
AAA	5-AAA	Dekalb	Druid Hills High School	998	1048	1087	44.5
АААА	5-AAAA	Atlanta City	Mays High School	837	876	885	24
ААААА	5-AAAAA	Cobb	South Cobb High School	918	939	943	12.5
А	6-A	Carroll	Temple High School	847	923	895	24
AA	6-AA	Polk	Rockmart High School	900	956	961	30.5
ААА	6-AAA	Bartow	Cass High School	931	956	993	31
АААА	6-AAAA	Dekalb	Chamblee High School	1092	1128	1124	16
ААААА	6-AAAAA	Cobb	Kell High School	967	1023	1029	31

Source: SATRocks.com

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2006 Region Winners - Trophy and \$1000 grant

				Average Most Recent SAT Scores (Math Plus Reading)		Average	
Class	Region	System Name	School Name	2004	2005	2006	Change **
А	7-A	Wilkes	Washington-Wilkes High School	944	961	956	6
AA	7-AA	Oglethorpe	Oglethorpe County High School	927	954	1021	47
ААА	7-AAA	Fannin	Fannin County High School	942	954	988	23
AAAA	7-AAAA	Walker	Ridgeland High School	954	981	1030	38
AAAAA	7-AAAAA	Gwinnett	Peachtree Ridge High School	970	1039	1043	36.5
A	8-A	Social Circle City	Social Circle High School	930	1032	1040	55
AA	8-AA	Banks	Banks County High School	944	993	1020	38
ААА	8-AAA	Barrow	Apalachee High School	917	923	987	35
АААА	8-AAAA	Clarke	Clarke Central High School	947	952	1006	29.5
ААААА	8-AAAAA	Gwinnett	Grayson High School	987	1018	1026	19.5

Source: SATRocks.com





NGA Honor States Grant

Nine Georgia high schools were selected to participate in a National Governors Association (NGA) grant program that will improve high school graduation rates and college readiness. The high schools will receive a total of \$500,000 to expand student participation in advanced placement courses.

The NGA Center for Best Practices' Honor States Grant Program is a \$25 million initiative to improve high school graduation rates and college readiness in 26 states. The nine Georgia high schools selected are participating in phase two of the grant program, designed to help states implement targeted high school reform initiatives.

NGA Grant Recipients:

- Bainbridge High School (Decatur County)
- Duluth High School (Gwinnett County)
- Jefferson County High School (Jefferson County)
- Lowndes County High School (Lowndes County)
- Morgan County High School (Morgan County)

- Rockdale County High School (Rockdale County)
- Mary Persons High School (Monroe County)
- Stephens County High School (Stephens County)
- Union County High School (Henry County)

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Georgia Department of Education

2006 Georgia Schools of Excellence in Student Achievement A. R. Johnson Health Science and Engineering Magnet High (Richmond County)

2006 Georgia Blue Ribbon Schools Alexander II Magnet School (Bibb County) Dawson County High School (Dawson County) Savannah Arts Academy (Savannah / Chatham County)





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