
Investing in Educational Excellence (IE²) 2011-2012 Evaluation Results

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IE² Background

- IE² Partnership Contracts provide local school districts with greater governance flexibility as a means of increasing student achievement.
- Local Boards of Education can enter into multi-year contracts with the SBOE based on strategic plans developed in partnership with GaDOE and GOSA.
- GOSA monitors progress toward meeting performance targets on an annual basis and provides a report to the SBOE.

Schools with IE² contracts:

- Gwinnett County (2011-2012 is Year 3)
- Forsyth County (2011-2012 is Year 3)
- Rabun County (2011-2012 is Year 1)

Evaluation Policy

GOSA's Evaluation measures performance against predetermined targets for each school.

A school has met its yearly performance goals if, within a 95% confidence interval:

- The school did not miss more than one subgroup target in a given subject area, AND
- The same student subgroup did not miss a target in more than one subject area.

Evaluation Policy

CCRPI Second Look Policy

Beginning with the 2011-2012 evaluation, if a school has missed its targets, it will be deemed as meeting its yearly performance targets if:

- The school's CCRPI score is in the 85th percentile of CCRPI scores across the state within its grade cluster (Elementary, Middle, and High School clusters), as long as the 85th percentile score does not fall below an absolute CCRPI score of 85.

IE² Legislative Changes

In 2013, the General Assembly made important changes to the IE² authorizing law.

- Schools no longer have to meet targets for three consecutive years, only three years throughout the five-year contract.
- If a school does not meet targets in three years but meets performance goals by the fifth year, then the school will be deemed as meeting contract performance goals.

The consequence for not meeting targets remains loss of school governance at the conclusion of the five-year contract.

Gwinnett County- Contracted Performance Targets

- Elementary and Middle Schools

- Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups in Elementary (3-5) and Middle Schools (6-8) on the Reading/ELA and Math CRCTs
- Increase percent Meets + Exceeds for AYP subgroups in Elementary (3-5) and Middle Schools (6-8) on the Science CRCT

- High Schools*

- Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups on the American Literature & Composition and Math II EOCTs
- Increase percent Meets + Exceeds for AYP subgroups on the Biology EOCT

*A 2013 SBOE amendment changed these accountability measures from GHSGTs to EOCTs.

Gwinnett County- Flexibility Received

Gwinnett County receives flexibility with regard to:

- Class-size and Reporting requirements (O.G.C.A. §20-2-182)
- Expenditure Controls (O.G.C.A. §20-2-171)
- QBE Financing (O.G.C.A. §20-2-160)
- Categorical Allotment requirements (Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20)
- Salary Schedule requirements (O.G.C.A. §20-2-212)
- Certification requirements (O.G.C.A. §20-2-200)
- Employment, conditions of Employment as it relates to Duty Free Lunch (O.G.C.A. §20-2-218)
- School Attendance, Compulsory Attendance as it relates to the attendance protocol (O.G.C.A. §20-2-690.2)
- ELL Program requirements (O.G.C.A. §20-2-156)
- Educational Programs (O.G.C.A. §20-2-152)
- Middle School Programs; Schedule (O.G.C.A. §20-2-290)
- Competencies and Core Curriculum (O.G.C.A. §20-2-142 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.48)

Gwinnett County- Data Usage

- Elementary and Middle Schools
 - After reviewing previous evaluations and consulting with GaDOE, GOSA could not definitively determine whether “All Students” or “Full Academic Year (FAY)” student data were used. As a result, GOSA used both sets of data for this year’s evaluation for elementary and middle schools and chose the higher of these two percentages for each subgroup.
- High Schools and New Schools
 - All schools included in the 2013 amendment (high schools and new schools) were evaluated using “All Students” data because GOSA set these targets in spring 2013 using these data.

Gwinnett County- Evaluation Results

112 of 120 schools met targeted goals in this year's evaluation.

The 8 schools that did not meet targets are:

- Anderson-Livsey Elementary (1st year missing targets)
- Ferguson Elementary (1st year missing targets)
- Berkmar High (2nd year missing targets)
- Central Gwinnett High (3rd year missing targets)
- Meadowcreek High (3rd year missing targets)
- Mountain View High (2nd year missing targets)
- Norcross High (2nd year missing targets)
- South Gwinnett High (2nd year missing targets)

Walnut Grove Elementary and Grace Snell Middle School did not meet performance targets but met the CCRPI second look criteria.

Gwinnett County- Evaluation Results

- Overall, 14 schools have not met performance targets for 1 year.
 - 6 elementary schools
 - 2 middle schools
 - 6 high schools
- 8 schools—all high schools—have not met targets for 2 years.
- Meadowcreek High School and Central Gwinnett High School have not met targets in all 3 years. As a result, Gwinnett County will lose governance of these two schools unless they meet targets by the end of the 5th year of the contract (2013-2014).

Forsyth County- Contracted Performance Targets

- Elementary and Middle Schools
 - Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups in Elementary (3-5) and Middle Schools (6-8) on the Reading/ELA and Math CRCTs
 - Increase percent Meets + Exceeds for AYP subgroups on the 5th and 8th grade writing assessment
- High Schools*
 - Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups 9th Grade Literature EOCT, Math II EOCT, and GHSWT
 - Increase mean scale score on SAT-Writing

*A 2013 SBOE amendment changed these accountability measures from GHSGTs to EOCTs.

Forsyth County- Flexibility Received

Forsyth County receives flexibility with regard to:

- Graduation requirements (O.G.C.A. §20-2-131 and SBOE Rules 160-4-2-.48 and 160-4-2-.47)
- Middle School Program Criteria (O.G.C.A. §20-2-290, 20-14-33 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.05)
- Instructional Extension (O.G.C.A. §20-2-184 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.14)
- Early Intervention Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-153 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.17)
- LEP Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-156 and SBOE Rule 160-4-5-.02)
- Gifted Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-151, 20-2-161 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.38)
- Scheduling for Instruction (O.G.C.A. §20-2-160, 161.1, 165, 168c and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.16)
- School Day for Students (O.G.C.A. §20-2-151, 202-2-160, 20-2-168 and SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.02)
- Promotion and Retention (O.G.C.A. §20-2-283 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.11)
- Class Size/Staffing (O.G.C.A. §20-2-182, 20-2-152 and SBOE Rules 160-5-1-.08, 160-5-1-.22, 160-4-7-.14)
- School Year (O.G.C.A. §20-2-168c and SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.01)
- Minimum Direct Classroom Expenditures (O.G.C.A. §20-2-171 and SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.29)
- QBE Financing (O.G.C.A. §20-2-160)
- Categorical Allotment Requirements (Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20)

Forsyth County- Data Usage

- Elementary and Middle Schools, GHSWT
 - After reviewing previous evaluations and consulting with GaDOE, GOSA could not definitively determine whether “All Students” or “Full Academic Year (FAY)” student data were used. As a result, GOSA used both sets of data for this year’s evaluation for elementary and middle schools and chose the higher of these two percentages for each subgroup.
- High Schools- EOCT and SAT
 - EOCT and SAT results were evaluated using “All Students” data because these targets were set using this assumption.

Forsyth County- Evaluation Results

30 of 33 schools met targets in this year's evaluation.

The 3 schools that did not meet targeted goals are:

- Chestatee Elementary (1st year missing targets)
 - Sawnee Elementary (2nd year missing targets)
 - Silver City Elementary (1st year missing targets)
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- Overall, 17 schools have not met targets for 1 year.
 - 11 elementary schools
 - 2 middle schools
 - 4 high schools
 - 3 schools—all elementary schools—have not met targets for 2 years.

Rabun County- Contracted Performance Targets

- Rabun Gap Community School & South Rabun Elementary School
 - Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups on 3rd grade Reading/ELA and Math CRCTs for students previously enrolled in 2nd grade at these schools for a full academic year
- Rabun County Elementary School & Rabun County Middle School
 - Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups on the Reading/ELA and Math CRCTs
 - Increase percent Meets + Exceeds for AYP subgroups on the Science CRCT
- Rabun County High School
 - Increase percent Exceeds for AYP subgroups on American Literature & Composition and Math I EOCTs
 - Increase percent Meets + Exceeds for AYP subgroups on Biology EOCT

Rabun County- Flexibility Granted

Rabun County receives flexibility with regard to:

- Graduation requirements (O.G.C.A. §20-2-131 and SBOE Rules 160-4-.48 and 160-4-2-.47)
- Middle School Program Criteria (O.G.C.A. §20-2-290, 20-14-33 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.05)
- Early Intervention Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-153 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.17)
- Remedial Education Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-154 and SBOE Rule 160-4-5-.01)
- LEP Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-156 and SBOE Rule 160-4-5-.02)
- Gifted Program (O.G.C.A. §20-2-151, 20-2-161 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.38)
- School Day and Year for Students and Employees (O.G.C.A. §20-2-151, 20-2-160, 20-2-161.1, 20-2-165, 20-2-168, 20-2-168(c), 20-2-240 and SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.02)
- Health and Physical Education Program (SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.12)
- Promotion and Retention (O.G.C.A. §20-2-283 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.11)
- Class Size/Staffing (O.G.C.A. §20-2-182, 20-2-152 and SBOE Rules 160-5-1-.08, 160-5-1-.22, 160-4-7-.14)
- Certification (O.G.C.A. §20-2-200)
- Minimum Direct Classroom Expenditures (O.G.C.A. §20-2-171 and SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.29)
- QBE Financing (O.G.C.A. §20-2-160 et. seq.)
- Categorical Allotment Requirements (Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20)

Rabun County- Data Usage & Results

- GOSA used FAY data for the evaluation because targets were set using FAY data.
- 4 of 5 schools met targets in this year's evaluation.
- Rabun County High School did not meet its targets in this year's evaluation.

GOSA Recommendations

- Meadowcreek High School and Central Gwinnett High School will face sanctions unless they meet performance targets in 2013-2014.
- Seven other Gwinnett County high schools have not met targets for two years and are in danger of facing sanctions.
 - Berkmar High School
 - Duluth High School
 - Grayson High School
 - Mill Creek High School
 - Norcross High School
 - North Gwinnett High School
 - South Gwinnett High School
- Three Forsyth County elementary schools have not met targets for two years and are in danger of facing sanctions.
 - Johns Creek Elementary School
 - Matt Elementary School
 - Sawnee Elementary School
- In concordance with the law regarding IE², GaDOE should provide support and guidance to these schools in an effort to improve yearly progress (O.G.C.A. §20-2-84.2).

Questions

Information regarding IE², including the full annual reports, can be accessed at:

<http://gosa.georgia.gov/investing-educational-excellence-ie2-evaluation>

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