

NEWS RELEASE

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AYP transfer request process completed

Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS) has completed the process of granting AYP choice transfers for students attending schools eligible under the national No Child Left Behind guidelines. Nine Gwinnett schools are offering the transfer option this year, having been designated as “Needs Improvement” for not making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for two or more years. These schools are: **Lilburn MS, Radloff MS, Richards MS, Shiloh MS, Snellville MS, Summerour MS, Sweetwater MS, Meadowcreek HS, and Norcross HS.**

Letters were sent to the families of students attending these schools, informing them of the transfer option. Those interested in seeking a transfer were asked to choose from a list of schools accepting transfers, placing their choices in priority order. The schools designated as “accepting AYP choice transfers” all made AYP and their buildings were under capacity. The middle schools receiving AYP transfer students are Dacula MS, Pinckneyville MS, and Duluth MS. The high school options are: Duluth HS, Peachtree Ridge HS, and Central Gwinnett HS.

The deadline to submit the transfer request form to the local school was August 11. GCPS received 195 requests for a transfer before the deadline. All of the requests have been granted, with every requestor receiving their first choice. Families have been notified by phone and letter that their child may begin attending their new school. (The actual number of transfer requests may be lower as some families have indicated that they have changed their mind and will be staying at their home school.)

Students who transfer must be transported to and from the new school by their parent/guardian. Only parents of students transferring from Title I schools are reimbursed for transportation costs. The school system will reimburse these families the transportation costs of 44.5 cents per mile up to the round trip distance from the student’s home to the new school on a once daily basis.

Last school year, going through this same process, GCPS received student transfer requests from seven schools, with a total of 163 students requesting a transfer. Attached is a chart that summarizes this year’s AYP transfer requests.



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