



July 12, 2007

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) is intended to address the needs of all students through improved academic achievement. Our teachers and staff members work hard to meet the needs of all students, and we take great pride in the educational opportunities we are able to provide. A large majority of our students are learning and making good progress, and we consider this to be an important indicator of success.

The recently released 2006-2007 Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report for Georgia's schools indicated that we did meet criteria in 32 out of 33 categories. However, Radloff Middle School did not satisfy all requirements. The AYP report provides a focus to improve our school. The state identified that the following criteria was not met.

Criterion – 58.3 % of all students in every group must meet or exceed the standard for the Criterion Referenced Competency Test (CRCT) for Mathematics. All groups met this criterion except English Language Learners where 45.1% achieved the standard.

The chart below indicates each area where Radloff Middle School met the AYP standard and the area where the school did not achieve the passing percentage standard required.

Student Sub-Groups	Participation		Proficiency		2nd Indicator Attendance
	Math	Reading English/LA	Math	Reading English/LA	
All	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Asian/Pacific	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Black	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Hispanic	YES	YES	YES	YES	
White	YES	YES	NA	NA	
Multi-Racial	YES	YES	NA	NA	
Student w Disabilities	YES	YES	YES	YES	
ELL(LEP)	YES	YES	NO	YES	
Econ.Disadvantaged	YES	YES	YES	YES	

For additional information or to see how our school compares to other schools in our system or the state, you may visit the GCPS website at <http://www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us/> or the following DOE websites, <http://public.doe.k12.ga.us/aypnclb.aspx> and <http://www.gaosa.org/>.

An Open House opportunity will be provided for parents of students at Radloff Middle School who have questions or concerns about AYP performance indicators as well as the school plan for improvement. We will discuss special programs that are available to our students and what we are doing to improve the students' achievement in the area where we did not meet the criteria. The Open House at

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It is the policy of Gwinnett County Public Schools not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, or disability in any employment practice, educational program, or any other program, activity, or service.

the school is scheduled for: **Wednesday, July 25, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.**

Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS) has identified Quality Plus teaching strategies based on scientific research and proven to enhance student achievement. These strategies are being implemented school wide to promote student success. Radloff Middle School with support from the district is working diligently to improve academic achievement. We are committed to reach standards of success so that every child can receive a quality education.

The *No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB)* legislates that a school determined to be in “need of improvement,” must offer specific options to parents. All students in our school have the option to transfer to another school with capacity in the district for the upcoming 2007-2008 school year. If you want to transfer your child to another school, please follow the procedure below:

- (1) Select a middle school from the following choices. Open House dates and times are listed next to each of the choice schools below:
 - Dacula MS – Tuesday, July 24 – 11:00 am to 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 - Pinckneyville MS – Thursday, July 26 – 11:00 am to 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 - A map with these school locations, addresses and phone numbers is enclosed.
- (2) Complete and submit the accompanying NCLB Choice form to Radloff MS no later than Thursday, August 9, 2007 in order to be considered. If the school does not receive the form by the August 9 due date, we will conclude that you have decided not to use the choice option
- (3) Notification regarding your request for a Choice transfer will be provided no later than Friday, August 10.

Students who transfer must be transported to and from the new school by their parent/guardian. The school system will reimburse transportation costs of 48.5 cents per mile up to the round trip distance from the student’s home to the new school on a once daily basis.

Please understand that school choice is an option for the upcoming school year, but you do not have to transfer your child. We hope that you will continue to keep your child in our school and be a part of the efforts to promote success for ALL students. For students remaining at Radloff Middle School, support will be available in all areas of academic need.

If you choose for your child to remain at our school there may be another option available to you. Supplemental Educational Services (SES), free tutoring, is available to students on Free or Reduced Meals. Enclosed is detailed information on this program.

We encourage parents to become involved by providing input on the school improvement plan, participating in school parent meetings and activities, making certain that your child attends school on a regular basis, and closely monitoring homework completion and your child’s academic progress.

If you have questions regarding this issue or any other school concern, please call Radloff MS at 678-245-3400.

Sincerely,

Dr. Patty Heitmuller, Principal

Gwinnett County Public Schools AYP Choice Form

**IF YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR CHILD REMAIN AT RADLOFF MIDDLE SCHOOL,
NO RESPONSE IS NECESSARY.**

**If you wish to have your child transfer to one of the Choice schools,
PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE
RADLOFF MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE IN PERSON, BY FAX, OR BY MAIL.**

**Date Due to be Received at School: As soon as possible, but no later than Thursday, August 9,
2007**

FAX Number: 678-245-3403

I request that my child, _____, be considered for transfer to the following school.
(Clearly Print Student Name Above)

_____ 1st Choice

_____ 2nd Choice

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Phone Number

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date