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2005-06 projected enrollment for GCPS: 142,453 students

Gwinnett County Public Schools, the largest school system in Georgia, anticipates a record enrollment of 7,000 new students, bringing the system's enrollment to 142,453. By the 2009-10 school year, student enrollment in Gwinnett is projected to top 162,800 students.

Gwinnett to operate 106 educational facilities in 2005-06

The school system's facility count holds steady in 2005-06 at 63 elementary schools, 20 middle schools, 16 high schools, and seven other educational facilities. The special facilities are GIVE Center East (Gwinnett InterVention Education Center, an alternative program for middle and high school students); Buchanan High School of Technology (housing Gwinnett County Online Campus, GIVE Center West, and community programs); Maxwell High School of Technology (technical education programs); T. Carl Buice School (Pre-K programs); Hooper Renwick (special education programs); Oakland School (special education programs); and Monarch School (special education and pre-K programs and services).

More than 400 new classrooms for students in 2005

2005-06 is a unique year in Gwinnett's current building program in that no new schools are opening. Although GCPS won't open any new schools in August 2005, the school system will open 447 new classrooms at existing Gwinnett schools. All of these classrooms are opening as a result of SPLOST funding. The SPLOST benefits not just new school communities, but existing school communities, as well.

Additions at existing Gwinnett schools opening in 2005-06:

Central Gwinnett HS, 42 classrooms	Chattahoochee ES, 10 classrooms
Craig ES, 30 classrooms	Dacula ES, 33 classrooms
Duluth HS, 41 classrooms	Harbins ES, 24 classrooms
Jackson ES, 12 classrooms	Lilburn ES, 15 classrooms
McConnell MS, 39 classrooms	North Gwinnett HS, 24 classrooms
Rock Springs ES, 22 classrooms	*Dacula MS, 32 classrooms
*Grayson HS, 24 classrooms	*Hopkins ES, 33 classrooms
*Magill ES, 30 classrooms	*Richards MS, 20 classrooms
*Snellville MS, 16 classrooms	

** These additions were completed early allowing schools to begin use during last school year.*

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