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DOE's list names 33 GCPS "Distinguished Title I Schools"

The work that Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS) teachers do every day to make sure that all Gwinnett students are receiving a quality education has once again been recognized by the Georgia Department of Education (DOE). 33 GCPS schools made the DOE's list of "Title I Distinguished Schools". The honor highlights these schools for their work in meeting and exceeding the state's academic standards.

Title I schools receive federal funds to better serve their students, which include a higher percentage of students receiving free or reduced lunch. A Title I school earns the title "Distinguished" for making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) under No Child Left Behind (NCLB) for three or more consecutive years. Along with the title, most of the schools receive a monetary award to continue providing services to its students. Annually, the Georgia Department of Education recognizes Title I schools that excel in meeting achievement standards.

"GCPS is proud of the academic achievement results that affirm the programs of teaching and learning in our Title I schools," says **Dale Robbins**, the district's associate superintendent for teaching and learning support. He shares, "The success of Gwinnett's Title I schools is built on the belief that all students can achieve at high levels if challenged through high expectations for student learning, access to rigorous grade level AKS [Academic and Knowledge Skills, the school district's curriculum], and frequent assessment to measure progress toward the standard." Mr. Robbins further explains that a number of factors contribute to Gwinnett's impressive list of Distinguished Title I schools, including the district's Quality-Plus Teaching Strategies to differentiate instruction which enhance student engagement, extended day learning programs, staff development, and collaboration on the effective use of data to improve student achievement.

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This year's honored schools from Gwinnett are:

Gwinnett's 33 "Distinguished Title I Schools"		
Nine consecutive years of making AYP		
School	Years as a Title I Distinguished School	Award
Annistown Elementary	7	\$1,113
Kanoheda Elementary	7	\$9,230
Eight consecutive years of making AYP		
Bethesda Elementary	6	\$7,384
Britt Elementary	6	\$742
Cedar Hill Elementary	6	\$742
Knight Elementary	6	\$742
Nesbit Elementary	6	\$7,384
Norcross Elementary	6	\$7,384
Norton Elementary	6	\$742
Partee Elementary	6	\$742
Peachtree Elementary	6	\$7,384
Shiloh Elementary	6	\$742
Seven consecutive years of making AYP		
School	Years as a Title I Distinguished School	Award
Alford Elementary	5	\$742
Corley Elementary	5	\$7,384
Meadowcreek Elementary	5	\$7,384
Minor Elementary	5	\$7,384
Rockbridge Elementary	5	\$7,384
Sycamore Elementary	5	\$742
Central Gwinnett High	5	\$742
Six consecutive years of making AYP		
Alcova Elementary	4	\$742
Beaver Ridge Elementary	4	\$7,384
Centerville Elementary	4	\$742
Chesney Elementary	4	\$742
Winn Holt Elementary	4	\$742
Five consecutive years of making AYP		
Simonton Elementary	3	\$742
Four consecutive years of making AYP		
Benefield Elementary	2	\$7,384
Lawrenceville Elementary	2	\$7,384
Stripling Elementary	2	\$7,384
Lilburn Middle	2	\$7,384
Shiloh Middle	2	\$742
Summerour Middle	2	\$7,384
Norcross High	2	\$742
Three consecutive years of making AYP		
Radloff Middle	First year	Certificate

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All 33 “Title I Distinguished Schools” will be recognized by the Gwinnett County Board of Education at a future meeting at the Instructional Support Center in Suwanee.

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