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Gwinnett to operate 114 educational facilities in 2008-09

Several new GCPS facilities will open their doors in 2008-09, bringing the numbers of Gwinnett schools to 69 elementary schools, 20 middle schools, 17 high schools, and eight 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** and **GIVE Center West**); **Maxwell High School of Technology** (technical education programs); **T. Carl Buice School** (Pre-K programs); **Hooper Renwick** (special education programs); **Oakland Meadow School** (special education programs); and **Monarch School** (special education and pre-K programs and services). New Life Academy of Excellence is a Board-approved charter school that operates in the county.

Nearly 400 new classrooms for students in 2008

The 2008-09 school year brings to Gwinnett three new elementary schools and two replacement facilities.

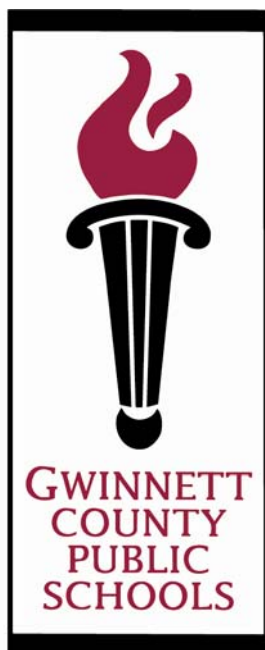
New schools opening August 2008:

Puckett's Mill Elementary (Mill Creek Cluster) - 2442 S. Pucketts Mill Rd., Dacula
64 classrooms – 1,331 student capacity
Construction cost: \$15,289,150

Rosebud Elementary (South Gwinnett Cluster) - 4151 Rosebud Rd., Loganville
64 classrooms – 1,331 student capacity
Construction cost: \$14,850,000

Trip Elementary (Grayson Cluster) - 841 Cooper Rd., Grayson
64 classrooms – 1,331 student capacity
Construction cost: \$16,265,300

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Replacement facilities opening August 2008:

Benefield Elementary replacement (Berkmar Cluster) - 1221 Old Norcross Rd., Lawrenceville
53 classrooms – 1,102 student capacity
Construction cost: \$13,385,600

Lanier Middle replacement (North Gwinnett Cluster) - 6482 Suwanee Dam Rd., Buford

-- 6th Grade Building (opening as White Oak Elementary in 2009) – 53 classrooms,
1,102 student capacity

Construction cost: \$15,547,800

-- 7th and 8th Grade Building (Lanier Middle) – 72 classrooms, 1,800 student capacity

Construction cost: \$28,114,200

Additions at existing Gwinnett schools opened in 2008:

Knight Elementary – 17 new classrooms

Alton C. Crews Middle – 10 new classrooms