

Clayton County Public Schools

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Clayton County Board of Education Achieves 2023 GSBA Exemplary School Board Status



JONESBORO - The Clayton County Board of Education (CCBOE) is proud to announce the achievement and status of the Georgia School Boards Association's (GSBA) 2023 Exemplary School Board recognition! This is the highest level of recognition in the GSBA program.

The CCBOE met and/or exceeded the criteria set forth by GSBA to earn the honor of a 2023 Exemplary Board. The recognition program is designed to showcase best practices in school governance and leadership. GSBA recognizes good school board governance to foster educational community cultures in order to advance student learning and achievement. The CCBOE has achieved Exemplary status every year since 2015.

"This recognition speaks directly to the time and dedication invested by each member of this Board in responding in a manner appropriate to the GSBA standards," said Ms. Jessie Goree, CCBOE Chair (District Three) speaking on behalf of the Board. "Each member of this Board is committed to providing the highest quality of engaged leadership possible for our students and their families and the greater Clayton County Community."

"The receiving of the GSBA Exemplary Board status speaks volumes about the quality of leadership Clayton County Public Schools has at its highest level," said Dr, Anthony W. Smith, Clayton County Public Schools Superintendent/CEO of Schools. "Speaking on behalf of more than 50,000 students and our more than 7,000 employees, I am proud to add sincere congratulations to this group of public servants who are indeed working to Build a Better Tomorrow, Today."

In addition to Ms. Goree, CCBOE members are: Board Vice Chair Mr. Benjamin Straker, District Nine; Ms. Jasmine Bowles, District One; Mr. Mark Christmas, District Two; Ms. Victoria Williams, District Four; Dr.

Deatrice Dee Haney, District Five; Ms. Mary Baker, District Six; Ms. Sabrina Hill, District Seven; and Ms. Joy Tellis Cooper, District Eight.

GSBA Governance Team Recognition Program

The GSBA Governance Team Recognition Program was developed by Georgia superintendents and board members based on the <u>state board of education's standards for effective governance</u> to recognize exemplary leadership.

In 1998, the Georgia School Boards Association was one of the first school board associations in the nation to develop a program of standards for local boards of education.

The GSBA Board recognition program is a three-tiered program. For more information on the program you may visit the <u>GSBA website for awards and recognition</u> to view the criteria for all tiers of the program.



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About Clayton County Public Schools: Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.