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Georgia Department of Education Releases 2015 CCRPI Scores; Cobb County Schools Exceed State Average for Fourth Straight Year

Cobb’s district score of 79.7 on the 2015 College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) exceeded the state average for the fourth straight year. Scores for Cobb County schools on the 2015 CCRPI exceeded average scores for Georgia schools at all three levels: elementary, middle, and high. The CCRPI measures the academic achievement and progress of individual schools, school systems, and the state itself on a 100-point scale. The CCRPI represents Georgia’s accountability system. The Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE), which released the CCRPI today, significantly modified the CCRPI for 2015 by including the new Georgia Milestones Assessments and altering the weight of individual components of the index.

Table 1. Components of the 2015 CCRPI score at each school level for Cobb schools. Comparison of Cobb’s overall CCRPI score for each level compared to Georgia’s overall score for each level.

| Level | Achievement Points (max = 50) | Progress Points (max = 40) | Achievement Gap Points (max = 10) | Challenge Points (max = 10) | Cobb’s CCRPI Score | Georgia’s CCRPI Score |
|------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Elementary | 32.3 | 34.1 | 6.7 | 4.2 | 77.3 | 76.0 |
| Middle | 33.6 | 35.9 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 79.0 | 71.2 |
| High | 37.0 | 36.9 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 83.9 | 75.8 |

Description of CCRPI

The base CCRPI score is calculated from three separately weighted components: achievement, progress, and achievement gap. **Achievement** points account for 50 percent of the overall CCRPI score. Achievement points are distributed among content mastery as measured by the Georgia Milestones tests, post-readiness (which uses various measures of college and career readiness), and high school

graduation rate or a predictor of high school graduation. **Progress** points account for 40 percent of the overall school score and measure the amount that students grow based on their performance on state assessments from year to year. The student growth measure determines how much students in a school or district are growing compared to academically-similar students from across Georgia. **Achievement gap** points account for 10 percent of the overall CCRPI score. These points measure the difference between the performance of the lowest 25 percent of students in a school or district compared to the performance of all students in Georgia. Schools may also receive up to 10 **challenge** points or bonus points in addition to the 100 CCRPI points based on the performance of certain subgroups of students within the school and by demonstrating excellence in specified areas like innovative practices and STEM certification.

Changes from 2014 to 2015

The 2015 CCRPI scores cannot be directly compared to the CCRPI from the previous three years because the GaDOE significantly modified the CCRPI for 2015. First, the state assessments upon which the 2015 CCRPI is based are the new Georgia Milestones, which were first given during the 2014–2015 school year. CCRPI scores from 2012 to 2014 were based on the CRCT and EOCT. Second, the weight of each component within CCRPI also changed. Achievement and achievement gap were lower by 10 and 5 points, respectively, while progress was raised by 15 points. Finally, in the content mastery indicators, the Georgia Milestones scores are weighted according to a formula that rewards schools based on how well the students performed on the Milestones and not just whether or not the students passed the test. In previous years, students who barely passed and students who scored at the highest level were weighted the same. In 2015, scores at the highest level on the Georgia Milestones, which have four levels of performance, count three times more than scores at the second level of performance.

Individual School Performance

Sope Creek (95.5) and Mount Bethel (94.2) had the highest CCRPI scores among Cobb’s elementary schools. Six other elementary schools exceeded 90.0: East Side, Ford, Garrison Mill, Kemp, Murdock, and Timber Ridge. Thirty-one Cobb elementary schools exceeded the state elementary average of 76.0. Because of the modifications to the CCRPI, the GaDOE did not issue scores for primary schools this year (Kennesaw, Riverside Primary, and McCall Primary).

Dodgen (98.4) and Hightower Trail (96.5) were the top scoring middle schools in Cobb. Dickerson and Mabry also exceeded 90.0. Nineteen of Cobb’s twenty-five middle schools exceeded the middle school state average of 71.2. Lassiter (98.7) and Walton (96.8) led Cobb’s high schools. Five other high schools also exceeded 90.0: Allatoona, Harrison, Hillgrove, Kennesaw Mountain, and Pope. Twelve Cobb high schools exceeded the high school state average of 75.8. The 2015 CCRPI score for each Cobb school and the breakdown of each school’s score by component are listed in Tables 2–5.

According to Cobb Superintendent Chris Ragsdale, “As a district, we focus on equipping our teachers with the tools necessary to meet the individual needs of our students. Our district CCRPI scores have exceeded the state average for the past four years due to the focus and commendable work of our teachers.” Walton High School earned the most points in the district for the achievement category, much of which is based on the Georgia Milestones. According to Walton Principal Judy McNeill, “Walton’s high achievement scores are a result of the rigorous curriculum delivered by our teachers. Our students and their parents have high expectations for academic success, and those expectations propel our students to perform well on the state assessments.”

More Information

The GaDOE uses the CCRPI to hold schools accountable for results, to provide more prescriptive state support, and to reward schools for high performance and progress. Detailed information about the CCRPI is available from the GaDOE (<http://ccrpi.gadoe.org/2015>). The available information includes full reports for all schools and districts in Georgia.

Table 2: Component scores and CCRPI score for elementary schools (A–J).

| School | Achievement Points | Progress Points | Achievement Gap Points | Challenge Points | CCRPI Score |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Cobb | 32.3 | 34.1 | 6.7 | 4.2 | 77.3 |
| Georgia | – | – | – | – | 76.0 |
| Acworth | 28.7 | 34.7 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 76.4 |
| Addison | 35.6 | 37.0 | 7.5 | 4.3 | 84.4 |
| Argyle | 20.9 | 30.0 | 5.8 | 3.6 | 60.3 |
| Austell | 27.1 | 32.8 | 5.0 | 1.2 | 66.1 |
| Baker | 36.6 | 37.3 | 7.5 | 4.9 | 86.3 |
| Bells Ferry | 36.9 | 35.0 | 5.8 | 4.6 | 82.3 |
| Belmont Hills | 22.3 | 23.9 | 4.2 | 3.3 | 53.7 |
| Big Shanty | 32.0 | 36.1 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 79.6 |
| Birney | 24.7 | 36.3 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 70.5 |
| Blackwell | 33.5 | 33.5 | 6.7 | 5.7 | 79.4 |
| Brumby | 24.7 | 32.5 | 5.8 | 3.5 | 66.5 |
| Bryant | 22.8 | 31.6 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 64.1 |
| Bullard | 34.7 | 31.8 | 5.0 | 3.6 | 75.1 |
| Chalker | 35.9 | 34.4 | 6.7 | 4.9 | 81.9 |
| Cheatham Hill | 33.0 | 32.1 | 5.8 | 3.4 | 74.3 |
| Clarkdale | 25.6 | 36.6 | 5.8 | 3.3 | 71.3 |
| Clay | 21.3 | 30.8 | 5.8 | 1.3 | 59.2 |
| Compton | 21.3 | 35.6 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 63.4 |
| Davis | 39.0 | 31.8 | 6.7 | 4.0 | 81.5 |
| Dowell | 29.3 | 32.3 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 74.6 |
| Due West | 38.4 | 34.7 | 7.5 | 3.6 | 84.2 |
| East Side | 43.9 | 36.4 | 10.0 | 3.0 | 93.3 |
| Eastvalley | 35.9 | 39.5 | 6.7 | 4.6 | 86.7 |
| Fair Oaks | 23.4 | 31.1 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 60.8 |
| Ford | 42.3 | 35.9 | 9.2 | 2.7 | 90.1 |
| Frey | 36.6 | 33.8 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 80.8 |
| Garrison Mill | 40.8 | 40.0 | 10.0 | 2.7 | 93.5 |
| Green Acres | 19.8 | 29.7 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 55.0 |
| Harmony Leland | 27.4 | 37.5 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 73.2 |
| Hayes | 26.7 | 34.5 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 69.8 |
| Hendricks | 26.6 | 34.4 | 4.2 | 5.9 | 71.1 |
| Hollydale | 24.6 | 34.7 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 69.7 |
| Int. Academy Smyrna | 29.8 | 32.4 | 7.5 | 3.7 | 73.4 |

Table 3: Component scores and CCRPI score for elementary schools (K-Z).

| School | Achievement Points | Progress Points | Achievement Gap Points | Challenge Points | CCRPI Score |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Cobb | 32.3 | 34.1 | 6.7 | 4.2 | 77.3 |
| Georgia | – | – | – | – | 76.0 |
| Keheley | 36.7 | 34.4 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 82.6 |
| Kemp | 40.7 | 39.2 | 8.3 | 2.5 | 90.7 |
| Kennesaw | 38.5 | – | – | 0.0 | – |
| Kennesaw Charter | 31.3 | 35.0 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 74.9 |
| Kincaid | 39.2 | 37.9 | 6.7 | 3.4 | 87.2 |
| King Springs | 38.0 | 34.3 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 83.8 |
| LaBelle | 21.6 | 37.4 | 7.5 | 1.3 | 67.8 |
| Lewis | 30.7 | 33.4 | 5.0 | 3.2 | 72.3 |
| Mableton | 23.7 | 24.2 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 54.0 |
| McCall Primary | 35.7 | – | – | 0.0 | – |
| Milford | 22.4 | 30.6 | 5.0 | 1.8 | 59.8 |
| Mount Bethel | 44.9 | 37.1 | 10.0 | 2.2 | 94.2 |
| Mountain View | 39.2 | 33.0 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 83.2 |
| Murdock | 43.0 | 37.2 | 8.3 | 3.2 | 91.7 |
| Nicholson | 34.0 | 31.0 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 75.2 |
| Nickajack | 30.7 | 39.0 | 7.5 | 2.2 | 79.4 |
| Norton Park | 22.8 | 30.0 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 57.8 |
| Pickett's Mill | 36.4 | 36.6 | 8.3 | 3.3 | 84.6 |
| Pitner | 29.7 | 34.0 | 5.8 | 3.7 | 73.2 |
| Powder Springs | 24.0 | 32.0 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 66.4 |
| Powers Ferry | 23.2 | 30.3 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 62.6 |
| Riverside Intermediate | 18.9 | 26.9 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 51.3 |
| Riverside Primary | 29.4 | – | – | 0.0 | – |
| Rocky Mount | 39.7 | 36.0 | 7.5 | 3.7 | 86.9 |
| Russell | 25.4 | 30.1 | 5.0 | 2.3 | 62.8 |
| Sanders | 22.5 | 33.8 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 63.0 |
| Sedalia Park | 30.8 | 33.4 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 74.3 |
| Shallowford Falls | 41.7 | 34.4 | 8.3 | 2.4 | 86.8 |
| Smyrna | 23.3 | 29.9 | 4.2 | 0.7 | 58.1 |
| Sope Creek | 44.5 | 38.7 | 10.0 | 2.3 | 95.5 |
| Still | 37.8 | 36.1 | 7.5 | 4.4 | 85.8 |
| Teasley | 33.0 | 34.4 | 5.8 | 4.5 | 77.7 |
| Timber Ridge | 45.2 | 34.2 | 10.0 | 3.3 | 92.7 |
| Tritt | 44.0 | 32.3 | 10.0 | 2.8 | 89.1 |
| Varner | 30.1 | 33.1 | 6.7 | 6.0 | 75.9 |
| Vaughan | 38.2 | 37.6 | 6.7 | 3.4 | 85.9 |

Table 4: Component scores and CCRPI score for middle schools.

| School | Achievement Points | Progress Points | Achievement Gap Points | Challenge Points | CCRPI Score |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Cobb | 33.6 | 35.9 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 79.0 |
| Georgia | – | – | – | – | 71.2 |
| Awtrey | 33.1 | 34.6 | 5.8 | 2.5 | 76.0 |
| Barber | 30.9 | 32.8 | 5.8 | 2.0 | 71.5 |
| Campbell MS | 27.1 | 35.3 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 69.4 |
| Cooper | 25.2 | 31.6 | 5.8 | 0.6 | 63.2 |
| Daniell | 34.6 | 34.9 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 79.0 |
| Dickerson | 45.9 | 36.7 | 10.0 | 2.1 | 94.7 |
| Dodgen | 46.3 | 39.8 | 10.0 | 2.3 | 98.4 |
| Durham | 38.0 | 33.8 | 6.7 | 3.1 | 81.6 |
| East Cobb | 29.8 | 36.7 | 6.7 | 4.7 | 77.9 |
| Floyd | 23.8 | 35.0 | 6.7 | 1.9 | 67.4 |
| Garrett | 23.2 | 34.5 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 64.2 |
| Griffin | 28.2 | 37.5 | 6.7 | 2.0 | 74.4 |
| Hightower Trail | 45.6 | 38.7 | 10.0 | 2.2 | 96.5 |
| Int. Academy Smyrna | 27.5 | 35.6 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 71.5 |
| Kennesaw Charter | 24.5 | 24.8 | – | 0.5 | 55.3 |
| Lindley 6 | 25.5 | 40.0 | 7.5 | 5.2 | 78.2 |
| Lindley MS | 23.2 | 31.8 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 60.8 |
| Lost Mountain | 40.5 | 36.1 | 8.3 | 2.3 | 87.2 |
| Lovinggood | 37.5 | 33.8 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 81.3 |
| Mabry | 42.5 | 37.0 | 10.0 | 2.7 | 92.2 |
| McCleskey | 35.6 | 37.7 | 6.7 | 3.1 | 83.1 |
| McClure | 38.5 | 39.0 | 7.5 | 2.4 | 87.4 |
| Palmer | 32.8 | 36.1 | 6.7 | 3.0 | 78.6 |
| Pine Mountain | 29.5 | 36.1 | 6.7 | 1.0 | 73.3 |
| Simpson | 40.7 | 35.6 | 8.3 | 3.0 | 87.6 |
| Smitha | 25.1 | 35.5 | 5.8 | 1.5 | 67.9 |
| Tapp | 29.5 | 37.6 | 7.5 | 4.6 | 79.2 |

Table 5: Component scores and CCRPI score for high schools.

| School | Achievement Points | Progress Points | Achievement Gap Points | Challenge Points | CCRPI Score |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Cobb | 37.0 | 36.9 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 83.9 |
| Georgia | – | – | – | – | 75.8 |
| Allatoona | 40.2 | 39.4 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 90.6 |
| Campbell HS | 30.0 | 30.9 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 66.2 |
| Harrison | 43.0 | 38.1 | 8.3 | 2.6 | 92.0 |
| Hillgrove | 41.9 | 40.0 | 9.2 | 3.6 | 94.7 |
| Kell | 37.1 | 37.3 | 6.7 | 0.7 | 81.8 |
| Kennesaw Mountain | 39.9 | 39.8 | 7.5 | 2.9 | 90.1 |
| Lassiter | 45.8 | 40.0 | 10.0 | 2.9 | 98.7 |
| McEachern | 32.5 | 36.6 | 7.5 | 3.1 | 79.7 |
| North Cobb | 35.2 | 35.9 | 6.7 | 3.9 | 81.7 |
| Osborne | 25.1 | 36.5 | 6.7 | 1.9 | 70.2 |
| Pebblebrook | 27.5 | 31.6 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 64.1 |
| Pope | 44.8 | 37.9 | 10.0 | 1.5 | 94.2 |
| South Cobb | 28.1 | 32.1 | 5.8 | 1.8 | 67.8 |
| Sprayberry | 34.9 | 36.4 | 7.5 | 2.1 | 80.9 |
| Walton | 46.5 | 38.0 | 10.0 | 2.3 | 96.8 |
| Wheeler | 34.8 | 37.7 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 82.0 |