

## State Bridge Crossing Elementary School

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### Key Results from 2008-09 School Improvement Plans

Improvement plans, which outline current and ongoing school goals, are developed by each Fulton County school. These guide school administrators and teachers toward improving student achievement and overall school success.

#### Objective – Improve student achievement in writing

**Results** – State Bridge Crossing Elementary achieved its goal of increasing the mean score on the Fifth Grade Georgia Writing Assessment. Our previous score was 230. Our target goal was 240 and our final result was 243. Furthermore, 99% of our fifth grade students scored “Meets” or “Exceeds” standards on the assessment. Writing samples for all fourth and fifth grade students were submitted to the University of Georgia Assessment Center for scoring in October, which provided our teachers with objective scoring to determine the needs for remediation/enrichment groups in writing. All staff members participated in Six Traits training on Early Release Days, ensuring a schoolwide approach to teaching writing.

#### Objective – Improve student achievement in mathematics

**Results** – The students in grades 3 and 5 increased their proficiency and fluency in math computation on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS). Our third grade students improved from 85% to 91% on this norm-referenced test. Students in grade 5 improved from 78% to 87%.

#### Objective – Improve student achievement in mathematics

**Results** – Students in grade 4 did not meet their target goal of 93% scoring “Meets” or “Exceeds” on the Georgia Criterion Referenced Competency Test (CRCT). However, fourth grade scores did increase from 89% to 91%. All teachers provided a weekly focus on basic math facts to improve overall computational competency. Data was reviewed monthly to drive instruction and form remediation/enrichment groups. Parent volunteers and staff mentors provided one-on-one remediation of math facts based on data collected from computational tests.

### About this Report

The Fulton County School System uses a framework – called the **Value-Added Performance System** – that guides school leaders in raising student achievement by measuring academic growth as well as performance and by comparing or “benchmarking” against similar schools achieving excellent results.

The system helps answer the questions:

- **How effective are our schools?**
- **How much difference do our schools and teachers make?**
- **How much added value do our schools offer over other schools and school systems?**
- **How can we improve in order to better help each and every student reach his or her fullest potential?**

The Value-Added Performance System uses analytical tools to isolate data that reflects the school’s impact on student learning. It enables the school to focus on factors over which they have control to better focus improvement initiatives.

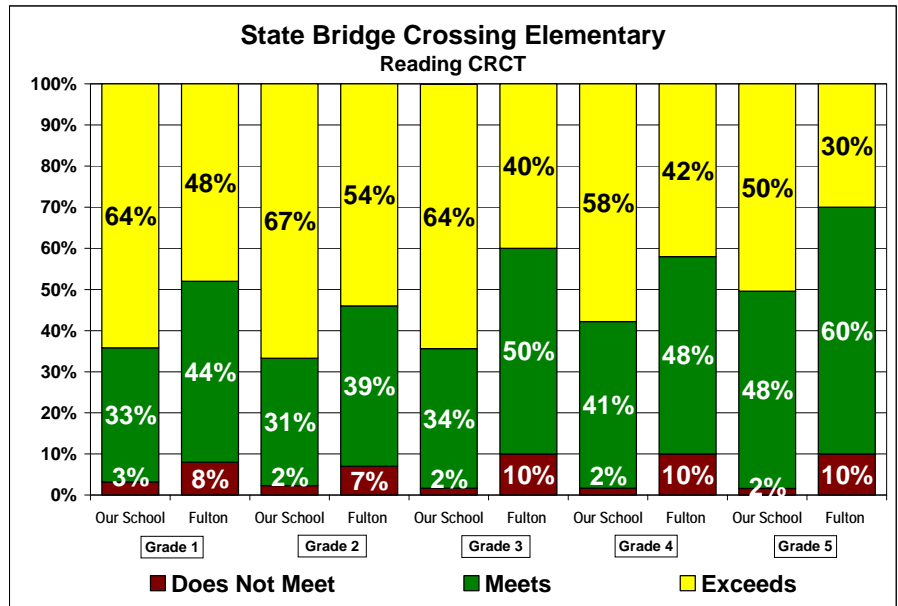
# 2008-09 Academic Achievement

## Georgia Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests

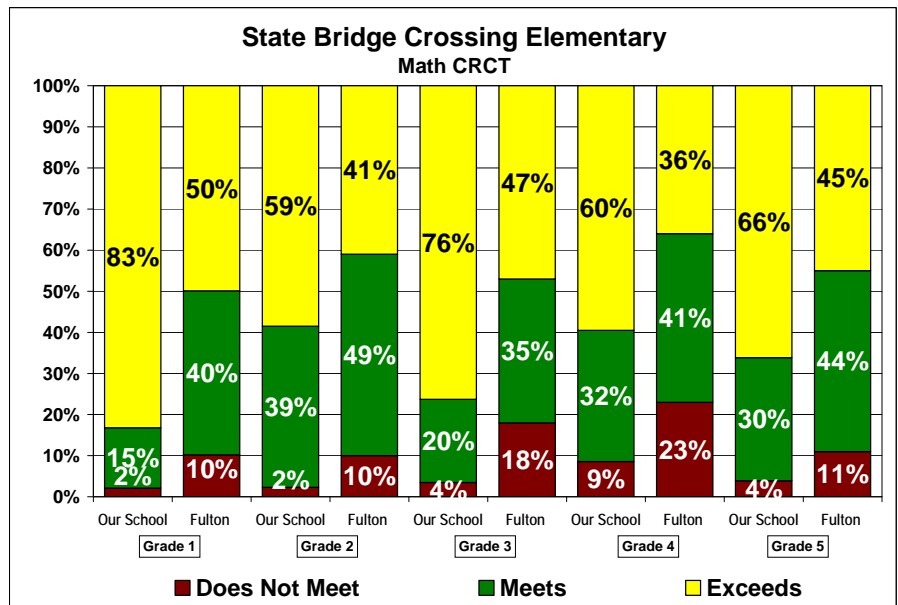
The Georgia Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCT) are given in grades one through eight. The test measures specific skills included in the Georgia core curriculum that are considered essential for continued academic progress.

CRCT scores are reported as levels. Level I indicates students do not yet meet expectations. Students scoring at Level 2 meet the state's expectations of being on grade level, and students at Level 3 exceed expectations, or are above grade level. Scores are reported by the percent of students in a school scoring at or above grade level.

### Reading Achievement – Our School vs. Fulton County Averages



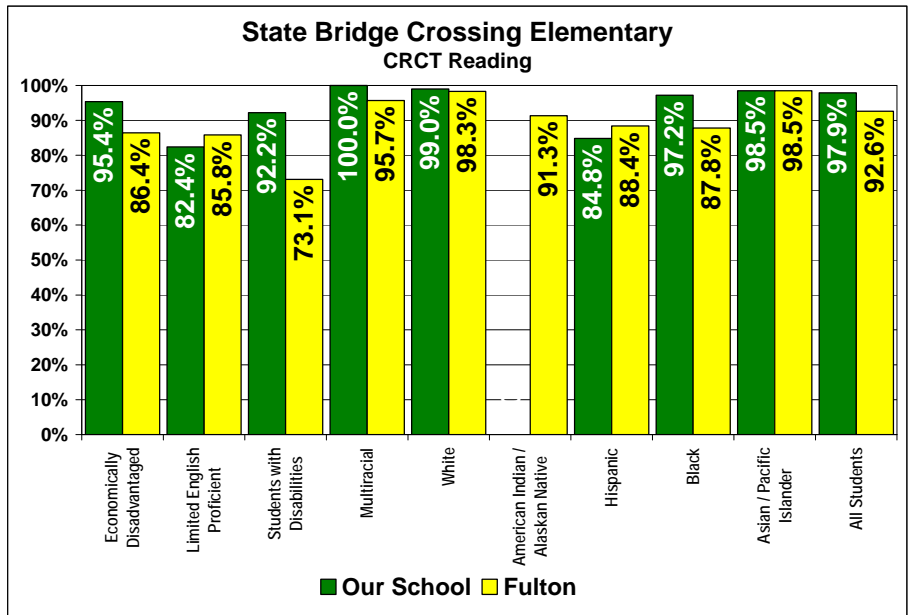
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**Reading Achievement –**

**Separated by Our School’s Student Demographics**

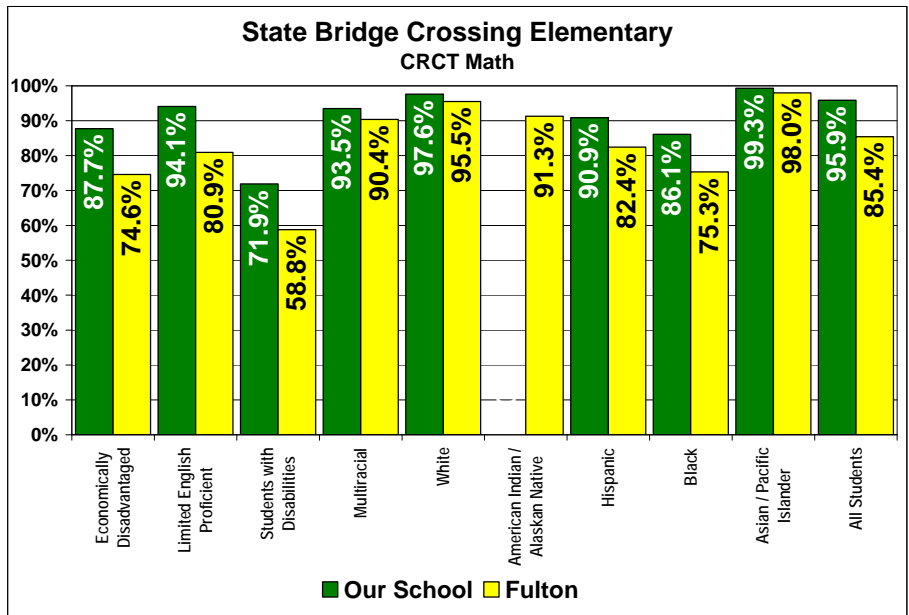
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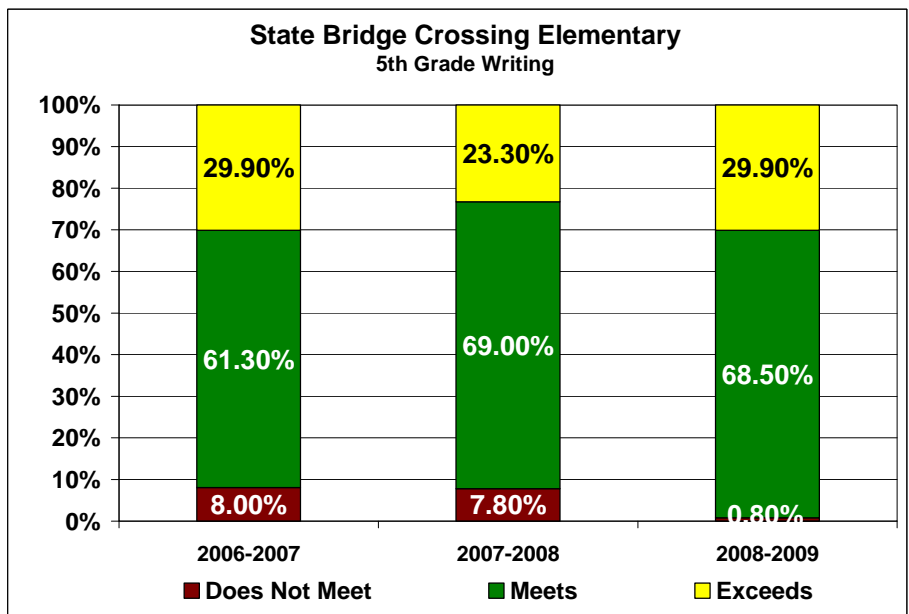
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**Grade Five Writing Assessment**

Part of the Statewide Testing Program, fifth grade students are assigned an essay topic in one of three genres: narrative, informational, and persuasive. Students are allowed approximately 120 minutes to write their essays. Papers are scored by trained raters using a standardized scoring system.

Similar to the CRCT, scores are reported as Does Not Meet, Meets and Exceeds Standards.



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## 2008-09 Highlights and Achievements

### Academics and Activities

- Governor's Office of Student Achievement Silver Award for highest percentage of students meeting and exceeding academic standards
- Georgia Department of Education's High Performance Principal award
- State Superintendent's Distinguished Achievement Award for CRCT Grade 1 mathematics
- Golden Apple Award for school volunteerism
- PTA Reflections Contest: five students recognized at Council Level for outstanding submissions
- PTA Reflections Contest: three students named finalists at state level
- PTA Reflections Contest: two students named first place winners and one student named second place winner at state level
- Eighth Annual Fulton County Technology Competition: four first place winners, three second place winners and five third place winners
- State Technology Competition – three students named first place winners
- Recipient of the National Endowment for the Humanities – Picturing America initiative
- Certified an Evergreen School by Keep North Fulton Beautiful
- PTA Science Force Program conducted parent-led labs for all grade levels
- First Fulton County elementary school to sponsor a Kiwanis K-Kids program for students in third through fifth grade
- 100% of the faculty joined PTA
- Chess Team Regional Competition – third place
- Chess Team State Competition – Plus Score
- Annual holiday toy drive for another Fulton County school
- 99% of fifth graders scored in the “meets” or “exceeds” level on the Fifth Grade Georgia Writing Assessment

### Other Notable Achievements

- All teachers were trained in the use of the WIDA (World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment) standards which help in the instruction of ESOL students
- State Bridge Crossing raised proceeds for Muscular Dystrophy Association and Relay for Life
- State Bridge Crossing parent selected as Parent of the Year by the Georgia Association for Gifted Children

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