Thirty Fulton schools ‘beat the odds’ according to GOSA index

Thirty of Fulton County Schools (FCS) have “beaten the odds” for the 2017-2018 school year, according to information released today by the Governor’s Office of Student Achievement (GOSA).

The “Beats the Odds” analysis measures schools against those with similar backgrounds to see whether they performed better than statistically expected on the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI). The CCRPI is Georgia’s statewide accountability system that measures schools and school districts on a 100-point scale based on multiple indicators of performance.

Schools that “beat the odds” are those with a higher CCRPI than alike schools serving comparable students in Georgia. The Beating the Odds analysis predicts a range within which each school’s CCRPI is statistically expected to fall – given the school’s size, grade cluster, student mobility and student demographics (including race/ethnicity, disability, English Language Learners, and poverty).

Previously, if an individual school’s actual CCRPI was above the predicted range, then that school ‘beat the odds.” The 2018 calculation for Beating the Odds (BTO) was recently revised, which makes comparisons of 2018 results to previous years invalid. The changes made include several computational changes, the evaluation of different school characteristics and the addition of an outcome tier of “Within Expected Range.”

Based on this criteria, FCS schools on the list are: A. Philip Randolph Elementary School, Abbotts Hill Elementary School, Amana Academy, Asa G. Hilliard Elementary School, Barnwell Elementary School, Benjamin Banneker High School, Brookview Elementary School, C. H. Gullatt Elementary School, Camp Creek Middle School, Conley Hills Elementary School, Elkins Pointe Middle School, Findley Oaks Elementary School, Hapeville Elementary School, Heritage Elementary School, Hillside Elementary School, KIPP South Fulton Academy School, Lake Forest Elementary School, Liberty Point Elementary School, Mimosa Elementary School, North Springs Charter School, Northwood Elementary School, Oakley Elementary School, Palmetto Elementary School, Roswell High School, Sandy Springs Charter Middle School, Seaborn Lee Elementary School, Stonewall Tell Elementary School, Vickery Mill Elementary School, Westlake High School and Wolf Creek Elementary School.
Details about the changes and the rationale for the changes can be found in the following document: https://gosa.georgia.gov/sites/gosa.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/BTO%20Revised%20Model%2020180820.pdf.

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**About the Fulton County School System.** The Fulton County School System is the fourth largest school system in Georgia. Approximately 95,000 students attend 106 schools in the cities of Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, Roswell, Sandy Springs, South Fulton and Union City.