



# ALPHARETTA HIGH SCHOOL

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Good Morning Raiders,

The Georgia Department of Education just released 2022 Graduation Rates, and I am extremely proud to share that AHS' 4-year co-hort grad rate improved from 93.2 % in 2021 to 96.9% in 2022. With the support of our entire school community, we continue to guide the majority of our students to high school completion within 4 years.

2022 Four -Year Cohort Graduation Rate (percent of students)			
School	2021	2022	1-year Gain 2022 vs 2021
Alpharetta High School	93.2	96.9	3.7
Banneker High School	82.4	82.8	0.4
Cambridge High School	97.5	98.1	0.6
Centennial High School	91.0	93.5	2.5
Chattahoochee High School	98.2	96.6	-1.6
Creekside High School	84.4	88.5	4.1
Hapeville Career Academy	94.2	91.9	-2.3
Independence High School	26.1	17.0	-9.1
Johns Creek High School	97.3	96.6	-0.7
Langston Hughes High School	86.7	85.3	-1.4
McClarin High School	42.2	54.6	12.4
Milton High School	96.1	97.1	1.0
North Springs High School	94.5	92.1	-2.4
Northview High School	98.3	97.2	-1.1
Riverwood International High	93.5	97.5	4.0
Roswell High School	91.7	93.6	2.0
Skyview High School	2.9	8.5	5.6
Tri-Cities High School	89.1	89.2	0.1
Westlake High School	95.5	92.8	-2.7
<b>District</b>	<b>87.7</b>	<b>89.3</b>	<b>1.6</b>

Embargoed  
UNTIL 10/6

Attention parents, we have just finished the first 9-weeks of the semester and teachers will be entering progress report grades over the next few days. Please know that new to Fulton County Schools this year is the addition of non-academic skills which are designed to inform you about your child's work habits in class and are separate from the overall academic grade. As teachers enter these, parents will be able to see them in Home Access Center, but they will not be finalized until progress reports are completed.





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**NON-ACADEMIC SKILLS** will be reported every 9 weeks in the following categories:

1. **Self-Direction:** The student follows directions and procedures, sustains attention during class, and/or resists distractions
2. **Collaboration:** The student works well with others, asks for help when needs it, and/or shares ideas.
3. **Problem Solving:** The student can describe a problem, finds more than one way to solve a problem, and/or is aware that all actions have outcomes.
4. **Work Habits:** The student comes prepared for class, manages time and materials, and/or stays on task.

**The following key will be used to report non-academic skills critical to student success**

- Consistently demonstrates
- Often demonstrates
- Sometimes demonstrates
- Rarely demonstrates

Attention teachers, parents and students: As we approach the upcoming holidays, it important to remind our school community that candy, desserts, baked goods (store bought/homemade), or any other edible items are not to be distributed at school or on the bus unless approved in advance by school administration. Per our Student Code of Conduct, students who do not adhere to this expectation are subject to disciplinary action for violation 7A: Failure to Follow Rules and all candy or food items will be confiscated. Please discuss this expectation and possible consequence with student(s) as this will be taken very seriously. This is due to recent national and state reports about students sharing edible items and synthetic medications with other students that contain very harmful substances. Please know that taking this measure will help us maintain a safe environment for all students. You can help us protect your student(s) by requesting that they not eat anything given to them by another person, anything that they have not brought from your home or anything not in its original sealed package. Thank you for your continued partnership in keeping all our students safe at school. If food items are part of a class project, students must have permission from the teacher to share the food and can only share food in the class under the teacher's supervision.

**Attention Sophomores:** Interested in IB but not sure what the classes are really like? Sign up today to shadow a current IB student and experience learning in IB! This experience will be October 18, and today is the last day to signup. Interested sophomore students should reach out to Mr. Fortunato to reserve their spots! Additionally, students are invited to attend an information meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> during each lunch period hosted by current IB seniors Simra Baig, Benjamin Henry, Hrinmai Manikandan, and Haley





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Simpson. This is a great chance to get your questions answered from students currently pursuing the IB Diploma to hear what it's *really* like.

Finally, a few reminders:

- Yearbook photo make up day is today in the Fine Arts building lobby from 9 – 1:30.
- Alpharetta High School will be administering the **PSAT on Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**
- Our safety campaign, “Wear It” runs through October. We aim to increase the visibility and frequency of all students wearing their student ID’s. Together, we are responsible!
- The [Spring 2023 Dual Enrollment Funding Request](#) is due October 21, 2022.

I wish all our families and enjoyable long weekend. Monday, school is closed for Columbus Day, Tuesday is a Professional Development Day and Wednesday is a Teacher Work Day. We will see our students again next Thursday.

That’s all for today, Raiders! Stay Safe!

With Raider Pride,

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