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## Houston County High Wins Platinum State Award for Academic Performance



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA - Houston County High School won a Single Statewide Accountability System (SSAS) award from the Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA) for 2019. This award is presented in collaboration with the Georgia Department of Education. Houston County High won Platinum in the Greatest Gains Award category. This is the school's third consecutive SSAS award.

Principal Dr. Doug Rizer commented, "I am very proud of our students, teachers, staff members, and parents for all of their hard work in helping our school achieve Platinum Status from the Governor's Office of Student Achievement. At Houston County High, we often say that "All Means All!" Our teachers are passionate about their work and this award exemplifies that we believe all students can learn and be successful. Our goal is to make sure that everyone is successful; this is only accomplished by working together and having the same vision through the Professional Learning Communities process."

As a 2019 Platinum Greatest Gains Award recipient, Houston County High is one of only 6 high schools and 27 K-12 schools in Georgia. To earn Platinum in the Greatest Gains category, a school must earn a three-year average College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) Score that ranks at the 99<sup>th</sup> percentile. The CCRPI single score range must at least maintain the same score range.

To be considered for the Greatest Gains category, a school's three-year average must be in the 93<sup>rd</sup> percentile or above. The 2019 awards are based on CCRPI data from the 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years. In 2018, the criteria for the SSAS awards were revised by GOSA to account for changes made to the 2018 CCRPI.

Winners receive a banner, certificate and letter of recognition. The awards were announced on Dec. 19, 2019. For more information about these awards, please visit the [Governor's Office of Student Achievement SSAS webpage](#).

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