



"Buzz" Around the BOE

February Newsletter



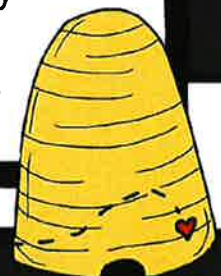


February School WINNERS

Cook Primary School and Cook Elementary School was in the spotlight for the month of February.



Congratulations to Cook Primary School for earning the Math Matters "*Highest Growth*" Award for the month of February! Mr. Folsom accepted the trophy for Cook Primary School as well as a check for \$100 for the category. These funds will be used to purchase classroom supplies for CPS teachers and students.



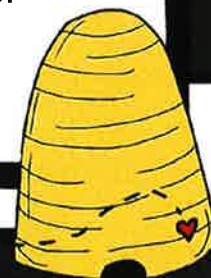


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Congratulations to Cook Elementary School for earning the "*Highest Average*" Award for the month of February! Mr. Hammock accepted the trophy for Cook Elementary School as well as a check for \$100 for the category. These funds will be used to purchase classroom supplies for CES teachers and students.



Congratulations!!!!

Ms. Tracy Madden
received the
“Golden Daylily Award”.



Congratulations!!!!

Ms. Michelle Stephens
received the
“Golden Bus Driver Award”





2020 Star Student & Star Teacher



Cook High School senior Gracie Beth White has been named the school's 2020 PAGE STAR Student. White selected Bill Durrance, an AP Biology teacher at Cook High School, as her STAR Teacher. Each year the local award is co sponsored by the Adel Cook Chamber's Education Committee and BASF in Sparks.



Cook Elementary School



3rd Grade Awards



Highest ELA Growth:
Dillon Daughtrey

Highest Math Growth:
Luke Daughtrey

Highest ELA Score:
Maci Speight

Highest Math Score:
Jack Jacobson



Citizenship Awards:

Esmeralda Santiz-Pineda,
Chandler Brannon,
Matthew Williams and
Kaylee Allen



GREAT JOB!!



Cook Elementary School



4th Grade Awards



Highest ELA Growth:
Erin Newsome


Highest Math Growth:
Izzabella Hansen

Highest ELA Score:
Brenden Wilson &
Karlie Arrendale

Highest Math Score:
Cohen Weeks



Citizenship Awards:
Hans Hadley, Lizbeth
Chonocoa De la Cruz,
Eleanor Williams-Smith,
Deshawn Jackson,
Margaret Webb and Ruger
Lewis



GREAT JOB!!



Cook Elementary School



5th Grade Awards



Highest ELA Growth:
Cirilo Simon Rivira

Highest Math Growth:
Harris Holley

Highest ELA Score:
Harris Holley

Highest Math Score:
Layla Kinsey



Citizenship Awards:

Hayden Edwards,
Ja'Nya Benefield,
Matthew May and
Ty-Rei Adkins




GREAT JOB!!



Cook Elementary School




Duke TIP Awards




Fourth Grade:
Shahid Abdel-Ghani,
Gracie Betts,
Essence Covington,
Kourtney Fineberg,
Dakota Fulghum,


Isaiah Furtado,
John Lawrence,
Tomas Lopez,
Madison Martin,
Jacob Moore,
Emmie Nichols,



Fifth Grade:
Dakotah Garvie,
Kam'ron Johnson,
Maliq Vickers and
Carter Woodall



Adeliade Richardson,
Zoey Spradley,
Cohen Weeks and
Eleanor
Williams-Smith





BABY HORNET PARENT ACADEMY



CURIOUS GEORGE
SAYS...
FREE BOOKS FOR
EVERYONE!!

**Nursery Rhyme Time with
Mrs. Connie, Pre-K teacher**

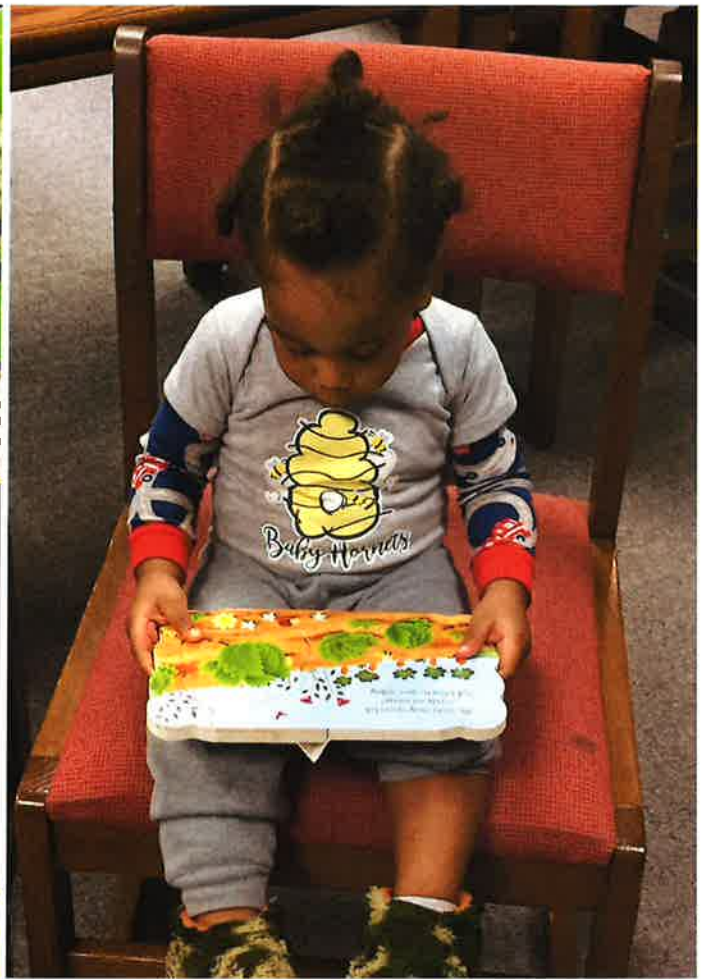
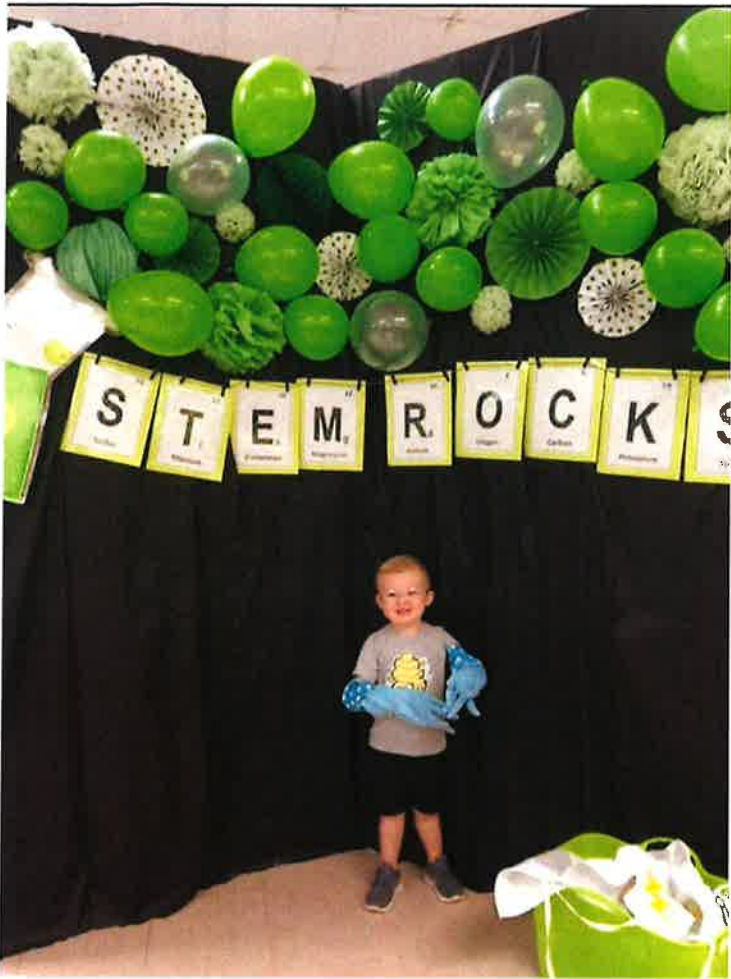




Music and Movement with Mrs. Ki, CPS Music teacher

**Decorating
VALENTINE
COOKIES!!**







COOK TENNIS FACILITY

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January 30,
2020

Ribbon Cutting/
Grand Opening

COOK TENNIS
FACILITY





COOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



- ★ Monday, 3/9 - Board Meetings (5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.)
- ★ Monday, 3/16 - March Holiday (March 13 & 16 Students)
- ★ April 6-10 - Spring Break



Richard Woods, Georgia's School Superintendent
"Educating Georgia's Future"

Georgia ranks 17th in nation for AP performance, improves performance of economically disadvantaged students

State names 255 AP Honor Schools

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [College Board AP Cohort State Report](#) | [College Board AP Cohort Data Report](#)

February 6, 2020 – Georgia's public-school class of 2019 has the 17th-highest Advanced Placement (AP) pass rate in the nation, according to data released by the College Board today.

In Georgia, the percentage of class of 2019 public-school students earning a 3 or higher on an AP exam held steady at 23.2 percent. Georgia students recorded stronger AP performance than most Southern states, scoring higher than their peers in Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee, West Virginia, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

The percentage of low-income AP test-takers who scored 3 or higher increased in Georgia, from 43 percent in 2018 to 43.7 percent in 2019. This figure is based on the performance of students who used an AP exam fee reduction, which states look to as a marker of equitable participation for low-income students.

"I'm proud of Georgia's students, who continue to record strong performance on Advanced Placement exams and outperform their peers in other Southern states," State School Superintendent Richard Woods said. "I'm also pleased to see the gains made by economically disadvantaged students in Georgia, as we work to ensure all students receive an excellent education. Ultimately, our goal is to provide rich opportunities for every student in our state – from advanced coursework like AP to the fine arts, world languages, career exploratory courses, and more."

Overall, 40.5 percent of Georgia's class of 2019 took an AP exam while in high school. This is the 15th-highest AP participation rate in the nation. 30.4 percent of Georgia's class of 2019 test-takers used an AP exam fee reduction.

2020 AP Honor Schools

Additionally, State School Superintendent Woods today named 255 Advanced Placement (AP) Honor Schools for 2020.

"I commend the students, teachers, and staff of these 255 schools," Superintendent Woods said. "Behind this recognition is an enormous amount of hard work, and I congratulate all those who

worked to expand access, improve performance, and build strong Advanced Placement programs in each school recognized today.”

The Georgia Department of Education began recognizing AP Honor Schools in 2008. This recognition began with three categories: AP Access and Support Schools, AP Challenge Schools, and AP Merit Schools. AP STEM and AP STEM Achievement categories were added in 2011, and the AP Humanities category was added in 2015. This year two new categories were added: AP Humanities Achievement and AP Expansion Schools. The AP Merit Schools category was renamed AP Schools of Distinction.

Categories:

AP Access and Support Schools (78 named)

Schools with at least 30% of AP exams taken by students who identified themselves as African-American and/or Hispanic and 30% of all AP exams earning scores of 3 or higher

AP Challenge Schools (39 named)

Schools with enrollments of 900 or fewer students and students testing in English, math, science, and social studies

AP Schools of Distinction (70 named)

Schools with at least 20% of the total student population taking AP exams and at least 50% of all AP exams earning scores of 3 or higher

AP Expansion Schools (34 named)

AP schools with 25% growth in AP participation from May 2018 to May 2019 and a minimum of 25 students testing in May 2018

AP Humanities Schools (85 named)

Schools with a minimum of five students testing in each of the following AP categories: one ELA course, two history/social science courses, one fine arts course and one world language course

AP Humanities Achievement Schools (70 named)

AP Humanities schools (see above definition) with at least 50% of all AP Humanities exams earning scores of 3 or higher

AP STEM Schools (183 named)

Schools with a minimum of five students testing in at least four AP STEM courses (AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics 1, AP Physics 2, AP Physics C, AP Computer Science A, AP Computer Science Principles)

AP STEM Achievement Schools (94 named)

AP STEM schools (see above definition) with at least 50% of all AP STEM exams earning scores of 3 or higher.

2020 AP CHALLENGE SCHOOLS

A R JOHNSON HEALTH SCI AND ENGINEERING MAGNET HS	Savannah-Chatham County
ARMUCHEE HIGH SCHOOL	Floyd County
BOOKER T WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL	Atlanta Public Schools
BUTLER HIGH SCHOOL	Richmond County
CHARLES R DREW CHARTER SCHOOL	Atlanta Public Schools
CHEROKEE BLUFF HIGH SCHOOL	Hall County
COMMERCE HIGH SCHOOL	Commerce City
* COOK HIGH SCHOOL *	Cook County *
COOSA HIGH SCHOOL	Floyd County
CORETTA SCOTT KING YOUNG WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP ACAD	Atlanta Public Schools
D M THERRELL HIGH SCHOOL	Atlanta Public Schools
DAWSON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	Dawson County
DEKALB SCHOOL OF THE ARTS	DeKalb County
ELBERT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL	Elbert County
ELITE SCHOLARS ACADEMY	Clayton County
ELIZABETH ANDREWS HIGH SCHOOL	DeKalb County
FANNIN COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL	Fannin County
GORDON CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL	Gordon County
JASPER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	Jasper County
JOHN S DAVIDSON FINE ARTS MAGNET SCHOOL	Richmond County
KIPP ATLANTA COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL	Atlanta Public Schools
LINCOLN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	Lincoln County
LUCY CRAFT LANEY HIGH SCHOOL	Richmond County
MARTHA ELLEN STILWELL SCHOOL OF THE ARTS	Clayton County
MCNAIR HIGH SCHOOL	DeKalb County
MODEL HIGH SCHOOL	Floyd County
MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	Morgan County
PAUL DUKE STEM HIGH SCHOOL	Gwinnett County
PEPPERELL HIGH SCHOOL	Floyd County
RABUN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	Rabun County
SCREVEN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	Screven County
SONORAVILLE HIGH SCHOOL	Gordon County
TEMPLE HIGH SCHOOL	Carroll County

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Richard Woods, Georgia's School Superintendent

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INVOLVE
me and
I LEARN.**

