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#### Vision

Achievement and  
Performance for...  
Every child  
Every classroom  
Every school

#### Mission

Our Mission is to  
provide a high quality  
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County students in a  
safe and comfortable  
environment, and to  
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and technological  
resources in preparing  
graduates for post-high  
school objectives.

#### Strategic Objectives

- Highly qualified workforce
- Positive culture and climate
- Communication and Information
- Student Achievement

#### For Immediate Release

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## **Criterion-Referenced Competency Test First Administration Results**

On June 23, the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) released system-level results for the first administration of the Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCT). School results, according to the GaDOE, should be released by July 8.

Improvements at the system level in the district for the first administration occurred in:

- Reading in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> grades;
- English/Language Arts in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, & 7<sup>th</sup> grades;
- Math in grades 3-8;
- Science in 6<sup>th</sup> grade; and
- Social Studies in 3<sup>rd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

“Our math scores in grades 3-8 indicate that strategies implemented this year supported student learning,” says Teaching & Learning Deputy Superintendent Dr. Cathy Magouyrk. “Next year, principals will be working with teachers to determine next steps for improving reading and language arts skills. The district will also be implementing a pilot program in eight schools which will provide a structured reading and language arts approach with specific interventions to improve achievement for all students.”

In the 2009-2010 school year, the district implemented benchmarking and universal screening systems which measure student knowledge of the standards, allowing teachers to identify student strengths and needs. As these processes become more integrated, they will provide greater depth and detail about student performance.

“By looking at student data at different points throughout the year, schools are able to adjust instruction, rather than waiting on the CRCT to identify a student’s areas of strength or need,” says Dr. Magouyrk.

#### ***About the CRCT***

Each year, the CRCT is administered across the state for grades 1-8. Students in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade must meet the standards on the Reading portion as one requirement to move onto the next grade, and students in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades must meet the standards on the Reading and Math portions as one requirement to move onto the next grade.

Test results under the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) began in:

- 2008-2009 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies; and
- 2009-2010 for 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies.

## Criterion-Referenced Competency Test Results 2008-2010

### *Percent of Students Meeting and Exceeding Standards*

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Grade Level	Reading 2008	Reading 2009	Reading 2010
1st	85.8	85	85
2nd	86.6	87.2	84.1
3rd	79.3	78.5	82.7
4th	82.9	77	76.3
5th	78.9	81.9	80.5
6th	87	76.7	81.8
7th	78.8	80.1	76.7
8th	83.6	87.2	88.7

Grade Level	English / Language Arts 2008	English/ Language Arts 2009	English/ Language Arts 2010
1st	77.9	76.3	74.4
2nd	76.1	80.1	74.4
3rd	81.3	77.1	79.4
4th	81.6	76.7	76
5th	83.5	87.3	85.5
6th	82	81.3	84.4
7th	82.7	82	83.2
8th	82.2	86.5	85.9

Grade Level	Math 2008	Math 2009	Math 2010
1st	80.8	80.8	71.5
2nd	72.5	77.4	73.5
3rd	56.2	64.5	69.5
4th	59.6	58.9	60.1
5th	55.5	69.1	71.9
6th	47.6	49.7	57.8
7th	64.2	69.6	72
8th	42	48.8	58.2

Grade Level	Science 2008	Science 2009	Science 2010
3rd	60.9	66.5	65.7
4th	59.9	55.8	55.2
5th	57	62.6	58.4
6th	47	39.2	42.1
7th	61	55.1	54.8
8th	35.2	39.8	39.2

Grade Level	Social Studies 2008	Social Studies 2009	Social Studies 2010
3rd		67.2	68.9
4th		54.8	51
5th		59.3	51.6
6th			43.4
7th			47.9
8th	38.8	40.8	44.3



Represents tests not scored under Georgia Performance Standards.