



NORTH CLAYTON HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 requires that parents or guardians who have children attending a Title I school be notified of how well their school is preparing its students for college and/or a career as well as the school's designation under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver.

Under the 2015 renewal of Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver, certain Title I schools continue to be designated as Reward, Priority, or Focus Schools. The Waiver allows the use of the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) as the comprehensive report card for all schools in Georgia, providing a score between 0-100 for each school—measuring how well the school is doing in preparing its students to be successful in college and/or a career.

North Clayton High School's 2014 CCRPI score is 62.3. More detailed information can be found at the following web site: <http://www.gadoe.org/CCRPI/Pages/default.aspx>.

Despite the progress made by our students, North Clayton High School has been designated as a Priority School for the 2015 - 2016 school year. This designation is based on our school's performance over three previous consecutive years, and we keep this designation until our school meets the exit criteria for Priority School status.

The areas our school needs to improve on are the academic achievement on standardized tests in the areas of Math, Science, English Language Arts, and Social Studies. We also need to improve our graduation rate.

As a Priority School, we will work together with parents/guardians, our community, and the Clayton County School District to develop a school plan that delivers the necessary support to address the learning needs of our students and improve their academic success.

To address improving student achievement, we are implementing a Freshman Academy to assist 9th graders with their transition to high school. Most freshman will take three Georgia Milestone End of Course Assessments in the spring. This is the greatest number of assessments of any grade level. The Freshman Academy will provide students with extensive support in preparation for the assessments. Graduation rate begins in 9th grade, and the Freshman Academy will allow those teachers who teach 9th grade to collaborate their focus on decreasing the freshman retention rate.

We will also have a Graduation Coach that will identify struggling students and provide them with additional supports. Additionally, we will be implementing a Flexible Learning Program that addresses our lowest performing students. Furthermore, we are offering on site dual enrollment classes to provide our students with the opportunity to earn college credit without leaving our campus. This year, NCHS faculty and staff will participate in professional development to improve the quality of instruction.

An important part of North Clayton High School's success is parent participation and support in developing activities to improve student achievement. We hope that you will become involved in our school improvement work as we continue to monitor student achievement and set high expectations. If you are interested in participating in the development of our school improvement plans, being a part of our family engagement team or have questions about how you can better help your child in school please call Deserae Benton, Parent Liaison, at 770-994-4035 ext. 504126, or email her at deserae.benton@clayton.k12.ga.us.

Thank you for all that you do to support your child's education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lonnie Farmer".

Lonnie Farmer, Ed.S.
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