Welcome to the Douglas County School System
#teamdouglas
Douglas County

- Burgeoning technology hub for data centers and home to major data centers from Google and T5
- Median Douglas County home value is $156,400, up 8.9% over the past year; Zillow predicts they will rise 11.1% within next year
- Frontrunner in Georgia based movie and television productions
- Home to multiple film and television projects
Douglas County Fast Facts

Population estimate 2017: 142,000*

Expected population in 2040: 201,000**

Demographics: White 42.1%, Black 45.9%, Hispanic 9.4%*

Income: 98% of African Americans have income equal to or greater than Caucasian peers. The national average is 63%.

Natural resources: Sweetwater Creek State Park, Chattahoochee River, Dog River

Higher education: Georgia Highlands College, West Georgia Technical College, Mercer University, Strayer University

Largest employers: DCSS, DC Government, Silverline Building Products, WellStar Douglas Hospital, American Red Cross, Google, Medline

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau
**Source: Atlanta Regional Commission
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• During the 2000s, Douglas County was among the fastest growing counties in Georgia
• Over the past ten years, Douglas County has added 30,000 new residents.
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• In 2015, 19 percent of Douglas County residents had a bachelor’s degree or higher.

Today, over 30 percent of Douglas County residents have a bachelor’s degree or higher. That’s more than Georgia and higher than the general population.

• Over the course of the past 15 years, Douglas County’s level of college education attainment has increased significantly and now exceeds the US average

• Total employment within Douglas County reached an all-time high in 2016
About DCSS

62.68% Free and Reduced Lunch

$9,029 DCSS Per Pupil Expenditure

$9,742 Average Per Pupil Expenditure in GA
DCSS Class of 2019 Graduation Rate

Alexander High School: 92.8%
Chapel Hill High School: 92.6%
Douglas County High School: 83.9%
Lithia Springs High School: 82.2%
New Manchester High School: 87%
All Douglas County Schools: 87.4%
State Average: 82%
What Makes Us Special?

Chapel Hill and Douglas County: 2019 AP Access and Support Schools

At least 30% of AP exams taken by African American or Hispanic students and 30% of all AP exams earning scores of 3 or higher

64 schools named out of 482 public high schools in GA
What Makes Us Special?

Douglas County High School: 2019 AP STEM Achievement School

Students testing in at least 2 AP science courses and 2 AP math courses and at least 40% of AP math and science exams earning scores of 3 or higher

128 schools named out of 482 public high schools in GA
Four developmental themes from birth to career (early learning, foundations, explorations, independence)

Eight steps to success anchored by kindergarten readiness, third-grade reading level, literacy and numeracy proficiency, personal plan development, and certification or degree completion.

Inclusion of entities & individuals directly focused on increasing numbers of students who are enrolled, enlisted, or employed upon completion of high school.
Douglas County Educational Collaborative

Forging strong partnerships with the Douglas County Educational Collaborative Executive Team:

Trent North, Superintendent – Douglas County School System
Dr. Michael Crafton, Interim President - University of West Georgia
Dr. Scott Rule, President - West Georgia Technical College
Dr. Don Green, President - Highlands College
Chris Pumphrey, Executive Director – Economic Development Authority
Sara Ray, President and CEO – Douglas County Chamber of Commerce
Dr. Janet Memark, District Director - Cobb Douglas Public Health
Odessa Archibald, Area Manager – Georgia Power Company
Dr. Avis King, Navigator
Modeled after the Carrollton Carroll County Education Collaborative

- Initiated by the University of West Georgia in collaboration with West Georgia Technical College, Superintendents, Chamber of Commerce and Community Leaders.

- The Carrollton-Carroll County Education Collaborative (CCEC) is a community-wide effort that is the result of previous workforce development task force initiatives and the partnering of educational entities in Carroll County. The structural design of the CCEC reflects intentional participation of a broad range of stakeholders to include preschool options through graduate programs, the business community, the non-profits sector, governmental agencies and the citizens of the community.
Carrollton Carroll County Education Collaborative Structure

- Leaders from the community, post-secondary education, P-12 education, business and government will work together to achieve the CCEC goals and to increase opportunities for all students.

- Executive Committee: UWG president, WGTC president, public and independent school superintendents, Carroll COC’s CEO and community leaders.

- Action Teams: These teams focus on performance and research processes, student support and interventions, and communication and partnerships.

- Networking Effectiveness Team: This team addresses community and entity network structures continually evaluating design for optimum efficiency and effectiveness.