



**Metro Atlanta  
Public School Rankings  
Academic Year 2011/2010**

**Elementary School System Rankings  
Sorted by All Metro Atlanta City/County  
Systems**

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# **EXPLANATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL RANKINGS**

## **Elementary and Middle Schools:**

The Stanford-9 Norm-referenced tests were discontinued after the 2000-2001 Georgia Department of Education Report Card. In the 2001/2002 academic year the Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCTs) were expanded to cover all grades 1 through 8. In addition, two more test areas (Science and Social Studies) were added to the test battery for grades 3 through 8. Average grade scores are no longer shown on the report cards. Instead, the percentage of students either not meeting, meeting or exceeding the standard score is disclosed. Subject areas tested are: Reading, Language Arts, Math for all grades 1-5 and, additionally, Science and Social Studies for grades 3-5. For the 2010/2011 academic year, grades 1 & 2 were not tested. Thus, there is a slight variation from last year's (2009/2010) rankings because of the missing test scores from 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

There is a correlation between the percentage of students exceeding the standard and the average test score. Thus, we have averaged the % of students exceeding the standard in each subject area by grade to arrive at a grade level average (e.g. 4<sup>th</sup> grade). Then we have taken the average for each grade and arrived at an overall average for the school.

**NO OTHER CRITERIA WERE USED TO RANK SCHOOLS. ONLY THE % OF STUDENTS EXCEEDING THE STANDARD WAS USED.**

There are many other factors that should be evaluated before judging a school. These rankings are just one of the criteria that can be used when deciding the merits of a school.

**NOTE:** Some schools were combined. For instance, in Cobb County, Riverside Primary was combined with Riverside Intermediate to arrive at a Grade 1 through Grade 5 average.

## **High Schools:**

The most recent SAT score was used as the ranking criteria. If there was a tie, then the ACT average was used to break the tie. **NO OTHER CRITERIA WERE USED TO RANK THE SCHOOLS.**

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## **School Systems:**

There are 23 Metro school systems (18 county and 5 city systems).

Buford City – Gwinnett

Decatur City – Dekalb

Marietta City – Cobb

Carrollton City – Carroll

Gainesville City - Hall

## **Source:**

Test scores and other data come from the Georgia Governor's Office of Student Achievement and from the Georgia Department of Education.

**Metro Atlanta Public School Rankings - Elementary**  
**Academic Year 2011/2010**  
**Ranked by All Metro Atlanta County/City School Systems**

System Name	School Name	Number of ES Students	Met AYP	Improvement Status	Demographics - Pct of Students									CRCT Test Scores % Exceeding				Rankings					
					Asian	Black	Hispanic	Native American	Multiracial	White	Limited English Proficient	Economically Disadvantaged	With Disabilities	Grade 3 % Exceed Avg	Grade 4 % Exceed Avg	Grade 5 % Exceed Avg	School % Exceed Avg	No. of ES Schools in System	Avg No. of Students Per ES School	Avg Amount Spent Per Student	No. of Schools in Metro Top 50	Pct of Schools in Top 50	Metro Rank
Forsyth County	System	19,399	Yes	ADEQ	8	2	13	0	3	73	9	20	12	45.3	61.5	57.0	54.6	19	1,021	\$7,431	9	47.4%	1 / 23
Fayette County	System	6,590	No	ADEQ_DNM	6	25	12	0	5	52	7	31	8	45.8	56.4	56.6	53.0	12	549	\$8,538	2	16.7%	2 / 23
Decatur City	System	1,564	Yes	DIST	2	26	5	0	5	61	3	22	9	43.8	54.8	51.0	49.9	3	521	\$12,989	0	0.0%	3 / 23
Cherokee County	System	22,423	No	ADEQ_DNM	2	6	15	0	3	73	7	33	10	42.8	51.3	47.4	47.2	22	1,019	\$7,918	0	0.0%	4 / 23
Gwinnett County	System	82,588	No	ADEQ_DNM	10	28	30	0	4	28	28	58	10	42.6	50.3	46.0	46.3	75	1,101	\$8,129	10	13.3%	5 / 23
Buford City	System	1,113	Yes	ADEQ	3	14	30	0	3	50	18	55	10	43.3	51.9	39.0	44.7	1	1,113	\$9,559	0	0.0%	6 / 23
Fulton County	System	42,377	No	ADEQ_DNM	7	47	16	0	3	26	11	56	10	40.9	47.9	44.9	44.5	53	800	\$9,116	11	20.8%	7 / 23
Carrollton City	System	2,539	Yes	ADEQ	1	31	17	0	5	46	5	58	9	39.3	46.9	45.6	43.9	1	2,539	\$7,813	0	0.0%	8 / 23
Dawson County	System	1,801	Yes	ADEQ	1	0	6	0	1	93	4	48	14	41.2	43.4	41.6	42.1	4	450	\$9,584	0	0.0%	9 / 23
Cobb County	System	49,691	No	NI	5	28	20	0	3	43	15	46	11	38.0	44.7	43.0	41.9	59	842	\$8,115	7	11.9%	10 / 23
Carroll County	System	8,145	No	NI	0	16	8	0	7	69	3	68	12	41.0	40.8	40.2	40.7	12	679	\$8,391	0	0.0%	11 / 23
Coweta County	System	11,840	No	ADEQ_DNM	2	21	9	0	4	64	4	45	8	39.2	43.6	39.0	40.6	19	623	\$7,804	0	0.0%	12 / 23
Rockdale County	System	7,579	Yes	ADEQ	1	59	16	0	3	20	9	72	7	38.9	41.7	37.8	39.5	10	758	\$9,139	0	0.0%	13 / 23
Henry County	System	19,585	No	ADEQ_DNM	3	43	8	0	4	41	4	50	13	39.1	40.8	37.9	39.3	27	725	\$7,401	0	0.0%	14 / 23
Paulding County	System	12,811	No	NI	1	20	8	0	4	67	3	40	8	37.6	42.1	37.7	39.1	16	801	\$7,023	0	0.0%	15 / 23
Douglas County	System	9,125	No	NI	1	50	10	0	4	35	5	58	10	36.4	40.2	38.0	38.2	14	652	\$8,453	0	0.0%	16 / 23
Marietta City	System	4,995	No	ADEQ_DNM	3	41	36	0	3	17	27	69	10	37.7	37.9	37.3	37.6	13	384	\$10,087	1	7.7%	17 / 23
Atlanta Public Schools	System	30,716	No	NI	1	77	7	0	1	14	5	77	7	36.4	33.1	33.9	34.5	56	549	\$13,955	6	10.7%	18 / 23
Hall County	System	13,395	No	ADEQ_DNM	1	4	41	0	2	52	30	66	8	33.4	36.0	33.9	34.4	19	705	\$7,747	0	0.0%	19 / 23
Newton County	System	10,315	No	ADEQ_DNM	1	47	7	0	4	41	5	67	11	34.7	35.5	30.6	33.6	13	793	\$7,804	0	0.0%	20 / 23
Gainesville City	System	3,472	No	ADEQ_DNM	2	21	63	0	2	12	45	87	7	33.1	31.3	32.8	32.4	4	868	\$7,595	0	0.0%	21 / 23
DeKalb County	System	57,963	No	NI	5	66	15	0	1	12	14	73	8	33.3	31.7	32.2	32.4	79	734	\$9,335	4	5.1%	22 / 23
Clayton County	System	29,479	No	NI	5	68	21	0	3	4	13	85	7	32.1	28.5	27.5	29.4	35	842	\$7,658	0	0.0%	23 / 23