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**15 BIBB SCHOOLS ‘BEAT THE ODDS’ IN 2016**

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MACON, GA – Today, the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) released “Beating the Odds” data for schools in 2016. A total of 15 schools in the Bibb County School District beat the odds in 2016, performing better than statistically expected on the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI). Two of the District’s schools that beat the odds in 2016 – Alexander II Magnet School and Springdale Elementary School – also beat the odds in each of the past 5 years for which the data has been recorded.

The CCRPI is Georgia’s statewide accountability system that measures schools and school districts on a 100-point scale based on multiple indicators of performance. The Beating the Odds analysis predicts a range within which a school’s CCRPI score is statistically expected to fall – given the school’s size, grade cluster, student mobility and student demographics (including race/ethnicity, disability, English learners, and poverty). If an individual school’s actual CCRPI is above the predicted range, then that school beat the odds.

**Bibb Schools Beating the Odds in 2016:** Academy for Classical Education, Alexander II Magnet School, Burdell-Hunt Magnet School, Heard Elementary School, Heritage Elementary School, Howard High School, Howard Middle School, Ingram-Pye Elementary School, Lane Elementary School, Morgan Elementary School, Porter Elementary School, Taylor Elementary School, Springdale Elementary School, Vineville Academy of the Arts, and Williams Elementary School.

“I believe the results from Beating the Odds show the school district is continuing to improve. The number of schools that beat the odds in 2016 – 15 – is the highest number of schools we’ve had beat the odds since the scores have been recorded by the state since 2012. In fact, 40 percent of our schools beat the odds in 2016 compared to only 23 percent in 2012, demonstrating that a lot of good things are happening in Bibb. I want to congratulate the teachers and students for their hard work – it’s starting to pay off,” said Superintendent Dr. Curtis Jones Jr.

Local school districts in Georgia had a deadline of June 30, 2015, to determine whether they would operate as a Status Quo System, Charter System, or as a Strategic Waivers School System. In December 2015, the State Board of Education approved the Bibb County School District’s application to be a [Strategic Waiver School System](#) (SWSS). Under the [SWSS model](#), schools may apply for a certain amount of flexibility on state rules and legislation through the form of waivers in exchange for greater accountability. As part of the agreement, school performance contracts include requirements related to both CCRPI and the Beating the Odds analysis.

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*Vision: Each student demonstrates strength of character and is college or career ready.*  
*Mission: The Bibb County School District will develop a highly trained staff and an engaged community dedicated to educating each student for a 21st century global society.*