



NORTH CLAYTON HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL STATUS PARENT NOTIFICATION

August 7, 2017

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

In December 2015, the *Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA), the replacement for the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act* (commonly known as *No Child Left Behind*) was signed into law. In an effort to ensure parents of student who attend Title I schools are notified on how well their school is preparing its students for college and/or a career, our district mandates all schools inform parents of their College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI score). The comprehensive report card for all schools in Georgia, provides 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 2016 CCRPI score is 58.8. More detailed information can be found at the following web site: <http://www.gadoe.org/CCRPI/Pages/default.aspx>.

I am very proud to tell you that North Clayton High School is a Title I school that is continuing to provide a quality education to all of our students.

Despite the progress made by our students, North Clayton High School has been designated as a Priority School for the 2017 - 2018 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 have 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 teachers who teach 9th grade to collaborate their focus on decreasing the freshman retention rate. We also have a Graduation Coach that will identify struggling students and provide them with additional supports. Additionally, we offer on site dual enrollment classes to provide our students with the opportunity to

earn college credit without leaving our campus. Our faculty participates in staff development to improve the quality of instruction.

At North Clayton High School, we take pride in the teaching we provide for our children. Our teachers and staff members work very hard to meet the needs of all students to ensure they achieve at their highest potential.

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 engaged 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 contact Deserae Benton, Parent Liaison, at 770-994-4035 ext. 504126, or email her at deserae.a.benton@clayton.k12.ga.us.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lonnie Farmer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lonnie Farmer, Ed.S.
Principal
North Clayton High School
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