



NEWTON COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

QUICK NOTES

→ **Official enrollment 2011-2012:** **19,168**

→ **25 Schools:**

- 13 elementary schools (grade ranges Pre-K through 5)
- 5 middle schools (grades 6-8)
- 3 high schools (grades 9-12)
- 1 Theme School (grades K-6)
- 1 Career Academy (grades 11-12)
- 1 Charter School
- 1 Alternative School (Ombudsman)

→ **Economically Disadvantaged:** **65%**

→ **Students with Disabilities:** **12.7%**

→ **Enrolled in Gifted Program:** **9.2%**

→ **Ethnicity**

- Black 52%
- White 38%
- Hispanic 5.5%
- Multi-Racial 3.5%
- Asian 0.9%
- American Indian .04%
- Pacific Islander .06%

→ **English Language Learners:** **2.4%**

37 different languages are spoken as our students' native language

→ **2011 Graduation Rate for ALL Students (start of year vs. end of year):** **85%**

→ **Pupil-Teacher Ratio:** **15:1** (total number of teachers divided into enrollment)

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2109 Newton Drive NE

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Our mission is to provide educational excellence for ALL students.

- **Largest employer in Newton County**
- **Of our 2,434 total employees, 1,403 are certified, with 1,260 serving as teachers. Of our 1,403 certified staff members:**
 - 2 have Trade and Industrial Certificates (High School diploma);
 - 2 have Trade and industrial Certificates (Associate Degrees);
 - 401 have a bachelor’s degree;
 - 648 have a master’s degree;
 - 297 have a specialist degree; and
 - 53 have a doctorate degree
- **98% of our teachers and 100% of our paraprofessionals are highly qualified**
- **FY 2012 General Fund Budgeted Expenditures: \$131,580,750**
- **FY 2012 Total Budget Operating Expenditures: \$155,312,041**
(inclusive of federal and state grants)
- **Average Expenditure per Pupil FY12: \$8,102.67**

RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Heard-Mixon Elementary, Flint Hill Elementary, Rocky Plains Elementary, Livingston Elementary, and South Salem Elementary schools named 2012 Georgia Title I Distinguished Schools.
 - Liberty Middle School recognized by Governor’s Office of Student Achievement with a 2012 Bronze Award for being in the top percent of schools in the state with the Greatest Gains on the Criterion Referenced Competency Tests (CRCT).
 - Heard-Mixon Elementary School named a 2011 Georgia School of Excellence.
 - Indian Creek Middle School named a 2011 Breakout Middle School by the Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals.

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Our non-negotiable goals are increased student achievement and more effective teaching.