## **COOK COUNTY SCHOOLS**

## **Demographics**

	942 students	883 students
<u>Cook High (9-12)</u>		
Cook Middle (6-8)	741 students	758 students
Cook Elementary (3-5)	719 students	701 students
Cook Primary (K-2)	751 students	742 students
Cook Pre-K	197 students	203 students
Student population:	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2011-12</u>

## Composition of population:

55% White 34% Black 8% Hispanic 3% Asian

- 73% of student population receives free or reduced meals
- 13% of student population receives special education services
- 10% of student population receives gifted services
- Annual budget of \$22,682,159.06 with a millage rate of 16.065 mills

## **Achievements**

- Recognized in Standard and Poor's Top 20 Outperforming School Districts in Georgia. Cook County outperformed similar school districts in reading and mathematics proficiency for economically disadvantaged students for two consecutive years. The county reported 60.5% of students as economically disadvantaged while attaining an average reading and mathematics proficiency of 87.6%.
- Cook Primary School was recognized as a Title I Distinguished School for the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

- Cook Primary School was designated as a 2007 Single Statewide Accountability System winner for demonstrating great gains in student achievement. Cook Primary School was one of only 13 schools statewide to receive this award
- Cook Primary and Cook Elementary were highlighted on the Georgia Excellence in Education Tour in 2004.
- All Cook County Schools are fully accredited by SACS. District accreditation was granted by SACS CASI in February, 2008.
- Cook County Schools maintains a 96% student attendance rate system wide.
- Cook High School boasts a 77.8% graduation rate. The graduation rate was 57% in 2004.
- All faculty and staff satisfy the highly qualified requirements of No Child Left Behind.
- The Cook County Educational Foundation awarded over 1 million dollars in scholarships to Cook County graduates in the class of 2012.
- Cook County students enjoy new and current facilities in grades K-12.
- The construction of a new high school and auditorium has been completed.
- High school project funding sources:

\$ 8,887,401	State Capital Outlay
\$ 1,200,000	Cook Council for the Arts
\$18,000,000	ESPLOST (11 years)

- The ESPLOST referendum was passed November, 2011.
- The Cook County School System utilizes the Balance Scorecard System of evaluation for continuous school improvement.