

# GCPS Mission Statement

The mission of the Gwinnett County Public Schools is to pursue excellence in academic knowledge, skills, and behavior resulting in measured improvement against local, national, and world-class standards.

# GCPS Vision Statement

- The Gwinnett County Public Schools will become a system of world-class schools where students acquire the knowledge and skills to be successful as they continue their education at the postsecondary level and/or enter the workforce.

- The PISA / OECD Test for Schools Is Widely Considered the Yardstick (Meterstick) for measuring “World-Class” in K-12 Education.

# OECD Support Mentor

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- Improve performance on the State Assessments, District Assessments, AP Exams, and other accountability measures.
- Improve student engagement by making learning more relevant.

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- Continue to address district content standards while simultaneously developing students' skills in critical-thinking, problem solving, and communication.
- Move us closer to achieving our Vision and Mission.

# Implementation Plan

- Inform middle school staffs about the purpose, format, content, scoring guidelines, and reports of the OECD Tfs.
- Connect all publicly available PISA units to our district content standards.
- Make the publicly available PISA units (stimulus material, questions, and scoring guides) available for easy teacher access.

# Implementation Plan

- Guide teachers to identify units they feel would address the content they teach while also promoting rigor.
- Facilitate discussions with teachers about what kind of instruction is needed to prepare students to perform on these more rigorous assessment tasks.

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- Help teams of teachers develop similarly rigorous questions into their own locally developed assessments and instruction.