



Muscogee County School District

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Strategic Waiver Application Process Public Hearings Notice



(Columbus, GA)-The strategic waiver application process for the Muscogee County School District is scheduled to be discussed at two public hearings.

Public Hearing #1

Tues., March 1, 2016 - 6:00 P.M.

Northside High School

2002 American Way

Columbus, GA 31909

Public Hearing #2

Thurs., March 3, 2016 - 6:00 P.M.

G.W. Carver High School

3100 Eighth Street

Columbus, GA 31906

The purpose of the public hearing is to share information and to address any questions about the Strategic Waiver School Systems (SWSS), formerly known as Investing in Educational (IE²), before final recommendations are presented to the Board of Education.

An SWSS/IE² System is a local school district that operates under the terms of an SWSS/IE² contract between the State Board of Education and the local Board of Education. SWSS/IE² contracts are intended to provide local school districts with the flexibility needed to increase student achievement. Local Boards of Education (LBOE) may choose to enter into multi-year contracts with the State Board of Education based on strategic plans developed in partnership with the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) and the Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA), which must identify specific school-level student achievement goals that are in addition to current accountability requirements.

Progress is monitored by GOSA on an annual basis and reported to the State Board of Education.

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If any school has not met its performance goals (for at least three years of the contract) and is not meeting targets at the end of the contract, GOSA will recommend consequences to the SBOE.

For more information, attend a public hearing, access www.muscogee.k12.ga.us to print/read the SWSS/IE² proposal for the Muscogee County School District, or the Governor's Office of Student Achievement, <http://gosa.georgia.gov/strategic-waiver-school-systems-swssie2-evaluation> .

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