74.4% of our students qualify for free or reduced lunch.

2,499 Class of 2019 Graduates

$164,458,597 in academic and athletic scholarships offered to the class of 2019.

91 SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS
58 Neighborhood Schools
18 Charter Schools
6 Partner Schools
3 Alternative Programs
2 Single Gender Academies
70 Title I Schools

293 Bus Routes transport 32,069 students
21,215 miles per day

5,294 TOTAL TEACHERS
3,217 Traditional
2,077 Non-Traditional

Projected K-12 2020 Student Enrollment
51,551
41,731 Traditional
9,820 Charter

Our student population is: 72.9% African-American, 15.9% Caucasian, 7.6% Hispanic, 2.4% Multi-Racial & 1.3% Other
Dear Students and Families of Atlanta Public Schools,

Welcome to our 2019-2020 school year! All of us in Atlanta Public Schools (APS) remain excited and committed to the work of preparing our students to graduate ready for college and career. With your support and engagement, we are making great progress on our Journey of Transformation and on our path toward becoming a high-performing school district where students love to learn, educators inspire, families engage and the community trusts the system.

Now, more than ever, we need your continued engagement in ensuring the success of our students and of APS. I can’t stress enough how much we appreciate and need our APS families and community stakeholders to continue to work with us on our journey.

As part of helping you ensure that our students are prepared and ready to learn throughout the year, I’m excited to provide you with our 2019-2020 Back-to-School Guide. This year’s guide includes important information about the district, key dates, financial and educational data, a comprehensive listing of district contact information, including school addresses and phone numbers and our 2019-2020 school calendar.

To further support you this year, we are going deeper to improve transparency, responsiveness and accountability. At the center of this work is a new customer engagement platform called Let’s Talk, a new tool to enable students, parents, staff and others to communicate with us in one place whether it is by phone, email, online submissions or social media. Our goal is to raise expectations and increase satisfaction for every stakeholder who makes contact with an employee in an APS school or APS department.

APS also remains focused on developing the whole child by incorporating social emotional learning skills into the mix and equipping our kids with the smarts and hearts, as they become the adults and future leaders of our communities.

I love hearing from you and look forward to seeing you in our schools throughout the year. Remember, we are your partner in helping all students in APS succeed.

Welcome back, and let’s make it a great school year!

Sincerely,

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