

August 3, 2016

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 requires that parents or guardians who have children attending a Title I school be notified of how well their school is preparing its students for college and/or a career, as well as the school's designation status under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver.

Under the 2015 renewal of Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver, certain Title I schools continue to be designated as Reward, Priority, or Focus Schools. The Waiver allows the use of the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) as the comprehensive report card for all schools in Georgia, providing a score between 0-100 for each school—measuring how well the school is doing in preparing its students to be successful in college and/or a career.

The 2015 CCRPI score for Benteen Elementary School was 65.5. You can find more information about CCRPI scores at www.gadoe.org/CCRPI/Pages/default.aspx. Additional information about the Atlanta Public School District's CCRPI scores can be found by visiting our superintendent, Dr. Meria Carstarphen's blog at www.atlsuper.com. For 2016-2017 your school has the Title I designation of Focus.

At Benteen Elementary School, we take pride in the teaching we provide for our children. Our teachers and staff members work very hard to meet the needs of all students to ensure they achieve at their highest potential.

An important part of Benteen Elementary School's success is parent participation and support in developing activities to improve student achievement. We hope that you will become involved in our school improvement work as we continue to monitor student achievement and set high expectations. If you are interested in participating in the development of our school improvement plans, being a part of our family engagement team or have questions about how you can better help your child in school, please contact Benteen Elementary School, Principal at ajlovett@atlanta.k12.ga.us.

Thank you for all that you do to support your child's education.

Sincerely,

Dr. Andrew Lovett

Principal