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Title I Distinguished Schools

(Columbus, GA)- The following MCSD schools have been identified as 2008-2009 Title I Distinguished Schools. This recognition is authorized in Section 117 of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001. It includes monetary awards for qualifying schools. Recognition is based on the number of consecutive years a school makes Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). Schools that make AYP for three consecutive years receive a certificate of recognition. Schools that make AYP for four or more years receive a certificate of recognition and a monetary award. Seventy-five percent of the funds available for awards to Title I Distinguished Schools must be awarded to schools in the highest quartile based on poverty. In Georgia, the percent of students eligible for free and reduced price meals is used to determine the poverty quartile. Funds can be used only for instructional purposes, to provide monetary awards to employees and school-wide projects.

Title I Distinguished Schools

Benning Hills Elementary - Ms. Pam McCoy, Principal

Brewer Elementary – Ms. Jan Grogan

Cusseta Road Elementary - Ms. Linda Sessions, Principal

Dawson Elementary - Ms. Denise Perryman, Principal

Davis Elementary - Mr. Joe Myles, Principal

Dimon Elementary - Ms. Valerie Williams

Downtown Elementary - Ms. Sheila Brock, Principal
Edgewood Elementary - Ms. Melana Cassell, Principal
Forrest Road Elementary - Ms. Bea Riley, Principal
Gentian Elementary - Ms. Betsy Tomblin, Principal
Georgetown Elementary - Dr. LaVerne Brown, Principal
Hannan Elementary - Dr. Ann Robison, Principal
Johnson Elementary - Mr. Mark Tanner, Principal
Key Elementary - Ms. Donna Hart, Principal
Lonnie Jackson Academy - Ms. Kay Dowis, Principal
Rigdon Road Elementary - Ms. Charleen Robinson, Principal
Rothschild Middle School - Mr. Chris Cox, Principal
St. Marys Road Elementary - Ms. Brenda Byrd, Principal
Waddell Elementary - Ms. Carolyn Ambrose, Principal
Wesley Heights Elementary - Ms. Donna Kemp, Principal
Wynnton Elementary - Ms. Nancy Johnson, Principal

Non-Title I Distinguished Schools

Listed below are the Non-Title I Schools that were recognized as Distinguished Schools:

Allen Elementary – Ms. Ruthie Hamlin, Principal
Blackmon Road Middle – Mr. Mike Barden, Principal
Blanchard Elementary – Mr. Tim Smith, Principal
Britt David Elementary – Ms. Veronica Collins, Principal
Clubview Elementary – Ms. Adele Lindsey
Columbus High – Ms. Susan Bryant, Principal
Double Churches Elementary – Ms. Paula Shaw-Powell, Principal
Mathews Elementary – Ms. Dianne Sharpe, Principal

Midland Academy – Ms. Janice Miley, Principal

Midland Middle – Mr. Richard Breen, Principal

Northside High – Mr. James Wilson, Principal

Reese Road Elementary – Ms. Jeanella Pendleton, Principal

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