Good News about Georgia Education

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7th National rank on the 2011 Education Week “Quality Counts” report

13th National rank for percentage of students scoring 3, 4 or 5 on Advanced Placement exams

2nd National rank for rate of African-American students scoring 3, 4 or 5 on Advanced Placement exams

7 Number of points by which the average SAT score for Georgia students increased in 2012, when the national average dropped by 2 points.

20.1 Average ACT score for Hispanic students in Georgia, outpacing national average score of 18.7

10 Number of states, including Georgia, granted waivers from No Child Left Behind in the first round

3 Number of Georgia schools named 2012 U.S. Green Ribbon Schools for their environmental efforts - out of 78 schools total nationwide

$400 million Amount Georgia won from federal Race to the Top grant competition

November 2012
• The ONLY state in the country to see growth on the most recent national assessments (ACT, SAT, AP and NAEP)

• First state in the U.S. to adopt Career Pathways requirements for all high school students

• Signed agreements with the Saxony, Germany, Minister of Education, the Bavarian State Ministry of Education and Culture, and the Academy of Nancy-Metz in France, to offer exchange programs for teachers and students

• Partnering with the Technical College System of Georgia and the University System of Georgia to offer international internships, language courses and immersion programs for students

• State School Superintendent Dr. John Barge and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Mike Buck named to the Council of Chief State School Officers’ task force on reauthorizing the Elementary and Secondary Education Act

• Chief Information Officer Bob Swiggum named the Data Quality Campaign’s 2010 State Leader for his work on the statewide student information system

• Science Program Manager Juan-Carlos Aguilar elected President of the Council of State Science Supervisors

• Social Studies Program Manager Shaun Owen named President-Elect of the Council of State Social Studies Specialists