

Who we are

Greene County School System is located in Greensboro, Georgia, halfway between Atlanta and Augusta on Interstate 20. The population of Greene County is approximately 16,000. The demographic break down of the county is 52% White, 45% Black and 5% other. Greene County Schools serves approximately 2,200 students in six schools: Greensboro Elementary School, Union Point Elementary School, Carson Middle School, Greene County High School, Greene County Preschool and Lake Oconee Academy.



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It's All About the Children!



GCSS offers programs that provide high quality educational opportunities.

Programs

- **High School of Applied Arts and Sciences** – our high school will begin this program Fall 2011 offering culinary arts, agriculture, business and computer applications, and health/medical programs. This program is designed to graduate students who are college/work ready; students who can obtain a high school diploma and an industry certified certificate and/or a dual enrollment (college) degree. Each year, additional programs will be added to assist in developing more career opportunities for high school graduates. Our goal – graduate high school students with the ability to go to work, go to college, go into military service to serve our country, if they so choose.
- **IB** (International Baccalaureate – www.ibo.org/myp) **Middle Years Programme** was authorized to serve students ages 11-16. IB provides a framework of academic challenge that encourages students to embrace and understand the connections between traditional subjects and the real world, and become critical and reflective thinkers. Students are required to study their mother tongue, a second language, humanities, sciences, mathematics, arts, physical education and technology. In the final year of the programme, students also engage in a personal project, which allows them to demonstrate the understandings and skills they have developed throughout the programme.
- **Suzuki Method Violin** – students begin this program in kindergarten, unless they have prior violin experience, and progress up through grade 5. This is a method way of learning to play music, whereby emphasis is placed on playing from a very young age. In the beginning, learning music by ear is emphasized over reading musical notation. The method encourages, individual playing, frequent playing in groups (including playing in unison) and frequent public performance, so that playing is so far as possible natural and enjoyable. The method discourages competitive attitudes between players, and advocates collaboration and mutual encouragement for those of every ability and at every level. Parent participation is a very important aspect of this method, as the parent is expected to supervise instrument practice every day

Our Beliefs

We believe all students deserve access to a world class education.

We believe everyone is worthy of being treated with dignity and respect.

We believe it is the responsibility of students, parents, faculty and community to create and to maintain collectively a quality education program for student success.

We believe every student and adult is responsible and accountable for reaching their highest potential.

We believe in a safe and orderly learning environment.

We believe high qualified educators and staff are essential for student success.

Our Vision

Greene County Schools will be regarded as the innovative model for excellence as a teaching and learning community.

Our Goals

- Provide pathways to success – *college, career & citizen-ready*
- Increase the graduation rate
- Prepare students to be contributing citizens



Our Mission

To educate, inspire, challenge and support students to be productive citizens prepared to compete globally.