

## Clayton County Public Schools Office of the Superintendent

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DR. MORCEASE J. BEASLEY Superintendent of Schools

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This letter is to inform you of Clayton County Public Schools' promotion and retention guidelines for students in grades 3, 5, and 8. Clayton County Schools' Strategic School System Wavier approved application allows the district to **waive** the automatic retention requirements for grades 3, 5 and 8 based upon the results of the Georgia Milestones End of Grade (EOG) Assessment. Therefore, performance on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment **will NOT** be the sole criterion used to determine promotion, placement, or retention for students in Grades 3, 5, and 8 for the 2018-2019 school year. The district will take into consideration other readiness indicators, such as classroom grades, district assessment performance, and/or input from the School-Level Promotion Committee.

The State of Georgia has given discretion to local school districts that have an approved request to waive State Board of Education policy 160-4-2-.11 Promotion, Placement, and Retention to determine retest opportunities for students who would have been considered for retention based upon their Georgia Milestones EOG Assessment performance. Clayton County Public Schools is **NOT** offering a summer retest opportunity for students in grades 3, 5, and 8 who scored "Below Grade Level" on the reading portion of the Georgia Milestones EOG Assessment in Language Arts and/or "Beginning Learner" on the Georgia Milestones EOG Assessment for Mathematics. These students will receive targeted instructional support during the 2019-2020 school year. Additionally, these students are encouraged to participate in the Summer Learning Beyond the Classroom activities. These activities can be accessed at the following link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CCPSSummerLearning">https://tinyurl.com/CCPSSummerLearning</a>

Contact your child's current principal if you have questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

Dr. Morcease J. Beasley,
Superintendent/CEO of Schools