

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Brian V. Hightower, Superintendent



2022 Large System Governance Team of Year



Kyla
Cromer

Chair



Rick
Steiner

Vice Chair/D4



Kelly
Poole

D1



Patsy
Jordan

D2



John
Harmon

D3



Erin
Ragsdale

D5



Dr. Susan
Padgett-
Harrison

D6

Our BOARD



2.5%	Asian
8.1%	Black
23.3%	Hispanic
5.6%	Multiracial
60.5%	White

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

3,968

English Language
Learners

5,317

Special Education
Students

5,337

Gifted Students

3,530

504 Plans

15,415

F/R Meal Program

2,210

School Choice



CCSD WORKFORCE



5,300

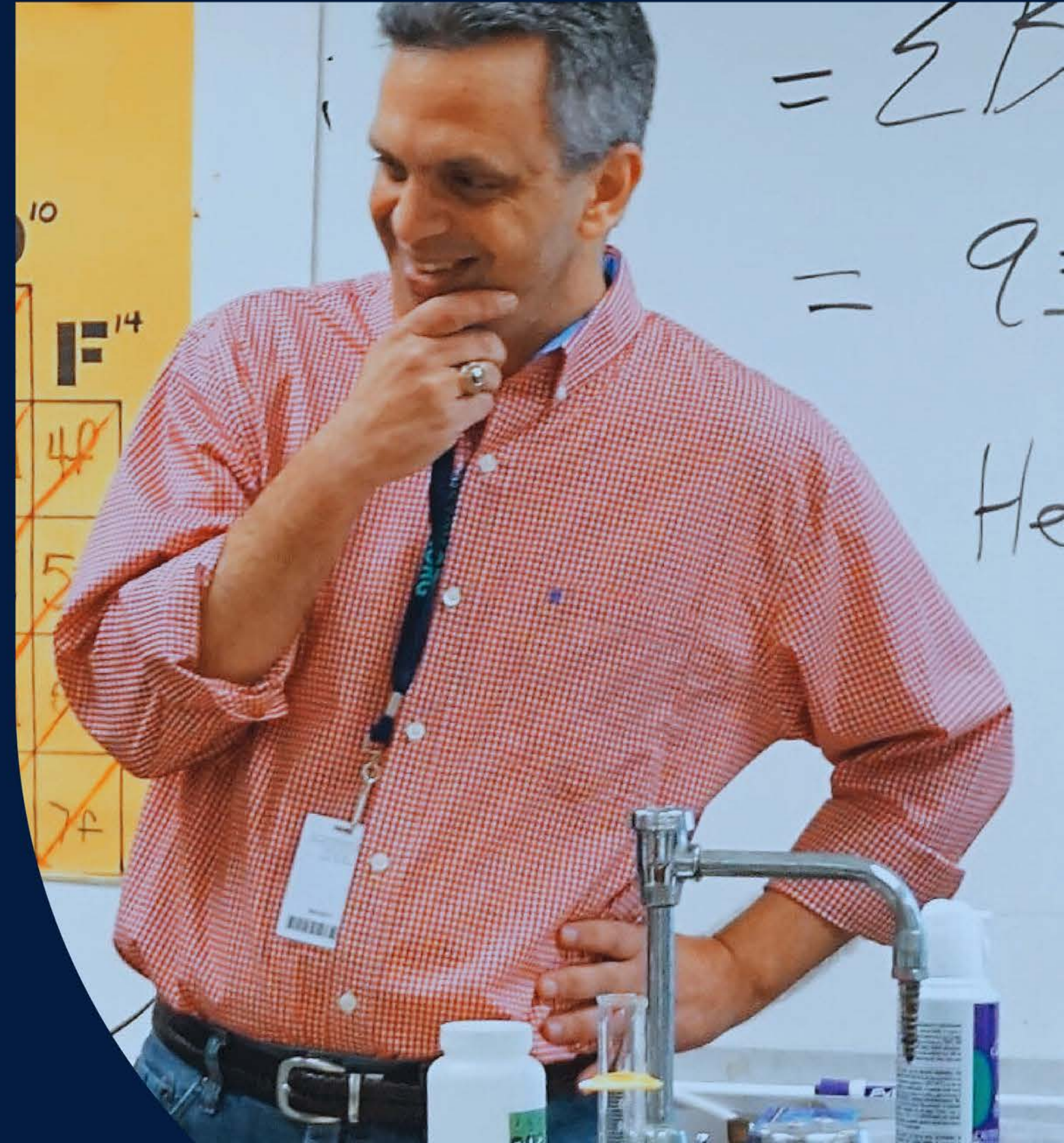
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3000

99.99

15

53,500



BLUEPRINT

Student
Achievement

01

Organizational
Effectiveness

02

Community
Engagement

03

Culture &
Climate

04

Quality
Workforce

05



ABOUT OUR HIGH SCHOOLS



1956 Cherokee

1977 Etowah

1990 Sequoyah

1996 Woodstock

2006 Creekview

2010 River Ridge

EdSPLOST-FUNDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT START-UPS





ENROLLMENT

Cherokee HS	2940
Creekview HS	2098
Etowah HS	2413
River Ridge HS	1919
Sequoyah HS	2074
Woodstock HS	1970
i-Grad HS	194



HONORS

- Consistently named to Listing of Best High Schools in U.S.
- Consistently Ranked Among Best in State on GA Performance Metrics
- AP Honor Schools
- STEM Certified (WHS)
- GASSP Breakout School (CVHS)



GRADUATION STATISTICS

+92%

CCSD has achieved its two highest-ever graduation cohort rates the last two years.

99%

CCSD Seniors who earn status as “pathway completers” by completing three courses in one of the 38 college/career pathways supported by CCSD have an almost perfect graduation rate.





HS RIGOR INDICATORS

2023 ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

Number of exams up from 4746 to 6091--28% increase

Exams taken in 27 Different AP Courses

Average AP Score was 3.4

78% of students w/≤3 (within 1% of CCSD's highest percentage ever)

Approximately \$4.6M in-state tuition avoided

2023 Individual Honors

AP Scholars (3 Exams = scored a "3" on all): 417

AP Scholar w/Honors (4 Exams = Avg 3.25 or scored a "3" on all): 229

AP Scholar w/Distinction: (5 Exams = Avg 3.5 or scored a "3" on all): 405



2023 NATIONAL ASSESSMENTS

CCSD AVG
1094

GA = 1045
US = 1003

Only 32 Points
Separate All CCSD
Schools

← **SAT**

CCSD Students continue to achieve in the top 10% of all districts statewide. Scores continue to trend upward following a high-water mark during the Pandemic.

ACT ►

CCSD Students ranked 2nd highest in Metro ATL for ACT average score and 2nd highest statewide for districts with at least 200 test takers.

CCSD AVG
22.9

GA = 21.3
US = 19.5

Increase of .7 over
2022 Scores

Only 1.4 Points
Separate All CCSD
Schools



CAREER PATHWAYS

- In 2022, CCSD Offered 38 Different Career and Technical Pathways--Increased to 41 this year and expands again in the Fall to 45 Pathways
- 8143 Students Enrolled in CTAE Courses
- 818 Students Enrolled in Healthcare Courses & 48 Served in Healthcare Internships
- 525 College Credit Hours Earned
- CCSD's College & Career Academy added Aviation/Ground Operations to the existing Cybersecurity offerings (@ACTIVE Campus)
- All CCSD HSs Have Advisory Boards as They Expand Their Community/Business Partnerships



CHEROKEE COUNTY



**THANK
YOU!**

