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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

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The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 requires that parents or guardians who have children attending a Title I school be notified of how well their child's school is preparing its students for college and/or a career, as well as the school's designation status under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver.

Under the 2015 renewal of Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver, certain Title I schools continue to be designated as Reward, Priority, or Focus Schools. The Waiver allows the use of the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) as the comprehensive report card for all schools in Georgia, providing a score between 0-100 for each school—measuring how well the school is doing in preparing its students to be successful in college and/or a career.

Clinch County School System's 2015 CCRPI score was 63.2 Additional information regarding CCRPI can be found on the Georgia Department of Education's website at <u>www.gadoe.org</u> Information regarding individual school results and Title I status can be found on our system website at <u>www.clinchcounty.com</u>

Priority Schools and Focus Schools receive their designation based on student achievement on statewide assessments. Schools keep their designation until they meet the exit criteria for Priority or Focus School status. Reward Schools are identified annually.

- **Reward Schools** are Title I schools that are either among the State's highest performing schools or schools with significantly high progress. They are identified annually. Highest Performing Reward Schools are among the highest 5% of Title I schools in the state based on the achievement of the "all students" group in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI. High Progress Reward Schools are among the highest 10% of Title I schools in the state based on the progress in improving the performance of the "all students" group over a number of years on the statewide assessments that are part of the state set.
- **Priority Schools** are among the lowest 5% of Title I schools in the state based on achievement of the "all students" group in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI or high schools with a four-year cohort graduation rate less than 60 percent in 2013 and 2014.
- Focus Schools are among the lowest 10% of Title I schools in the state that have a subgroup or subgroups with low achievement in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the state's CCRPI.

Clinch County Middle School has been designated as a FY16 High Progress school!

In addition to providing you with information regarding the performance of CCMS, all Title I schools must notify parents of their Intradistrict Transfer Rights, also known as HB251, even where no intradistrict transfer option is available. HB251 does not apply to districts with only one school at each level (i.e., one elementary, one middle, and one high school); therefore, this option is not available within Clinch County Schools.

If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact Lori Register, Parent Involvement Coordinator at 912-487-5385 or lregister@clinchcounty.com

Sincerely,

Lori James

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