



No Child Left Behind

Centennial High School
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1. What is NCLB?

The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, signed into law by President Bush on January 8, 2002, was the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. NCLB increases accountability for schools by establishing annual testing requirements as well as measuring academic progress.

2. What annual tests are used in Georgia for NCLB?

The Math and English portions of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) are used by Georgia high schools to comply with the requirements of NCLB.

3. What is AYP?

Adequate Yearly Progress is an essential element of the NCLB legislation. AYP requires schools, as a whole, and each student group that constitutes a subgroup (see questions 7 and 8 for explanation of subgroup), to meet targets in three areas: (1) test participation in the Math and English portions of the GHSGT, (2) academic progress on the Math and English portions of the GHSGT and (3) graduation rate.

4. What is the test participation target?

Schools are required to test at least 95% of all students and 95% of each student subgroup in the 11th grade on the Math and English portions of the GHSGT.

5. What is the academic progress target?

The goal of NCLB and AYP is for 100 percent of all students across the country to achieve proficiency in reading and math by the year 2014. Academic progress is measured through the 'Annual Measurable Objective' which increases every year as shown on the table below. In 2011, 74.0% of all students, and all subgroups, must score a 200 on the Math GHSGT to meet the target. In 2011, 90.8% of all students, and all subgroups, must score a 200 on the English GHSGT to meet the target.

Year	Math GHSGT	English GHSGT
2011	74.0%	90.8%
2012	84.0%	93.9%
2013	92.0%	96.9%
2014	100%	100%

6. What is the graduation rate target?

The graduation rate target for 2011 was 85%. This target increases by 5% each year so that all high schools will have a 100% graduation rate by 2014. For 2011, the graduation rate at Centennial High School was 86.4%.

7. What is a subgroup?

The following groups can qualify to be subgroups;

All Students	White
Asian/Pacific Islander	Multi-Racial
Black	Students with Disabilities
Hispanic	English Language Learners
American Indian/Alaskan	Economically Disadvantaged

8. What qualifies as a subgroup?

When 10% of the testing population (11th grade students) or 40 students are identified as belonging to one of the groups above, whichever number is higher, that subgroup's results must meet all targets in order for the school to meet AYP.

9. What subgroups did Centennial High School have in 2010-2011?

There were 436 students registered for the full academic year in the 11th grade, which made 43 the required number of students needed to qualify as a subgroup. Therefore, the following subgroups counted this year for AYP:

Subgroup	Number of Students
All Students	436
Black	101
Hispanic	59
White	239
Economically Disadvantaged	116

10. Why did Centennial High School not make AYP for the 2010-2011 school- year?

Centennial High School met both the participation and graduation rate targets.
Centennial High School did not meet the academic progress targets for one subgroup.

Subgroup	Math GHSGT	English GHSGT
All Students	Met	Met
Black	Met	Met
White	Met	Met
Hispanic	Met	Met
Economically Disadvantaged	Met	Did Not Meet

11. What does this mean for Centennial High School for the 2011-2012 school-year?

Centennial High School will continue to build on its standing as an award-winning school for outstanding school achievement and one of Newsweek's Top 500 high schools in the nation based on Advanced Placement Testing. Centennial High School will also utilize school-wide initiatives to ensure we meet the 2012 AYP targets as defined by NCLB.

Centennial recently earned a ranking on the Washington Post annual report, *The High School Challenge: Ranking Schools that Prepare Students for College*. This list is reported to "reveal the level of a high school's commitment to preparing average students for college". Out of 2306 high schools on this list, Centennial was ranked 806th. Centennial High School has also been named by *Atlanta Magazine* as one of metro Atlanta's Best High Schools in multiple categories for 2010-11. As one of 48 schools recognized, Centennial is described as a top achiever in math & science, fine arts, and athletics.

To learn more about AYP and Centennial High School's goals for 2011-2012, please attend Dr. Miletto's Community Forum on August 2nd at 6pm or August 3rd at 7:30am in the Auditorium.



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