

## Student Growth Model (SGM)

The Georgia Student Growth Model (GSGM) is an exciting new initiative designed to provide students, parents, educators, and the public with additional information on student progress.

The GSGM provides a wealth of rich information on student, school, district, and state progress on Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCTs) and End of Course Tests (EOCTs). In addition to providing student-level diagnostic information and improving teaching and learning, the GSGM works in conjunction with other factors as part of the state's new accountability system, the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI), and serve as one of multiple indicators of educator effectiveness with the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System (TKES) and the Leader Keys Effectiveness System (LKES).

Students in grades 5-9 who took the CRCT and students in grades 10-12 who took an EOCT during the 2013-2014 school year will receive student reports in March.

To learn more about the GSGM, make plans to attend a Student Growth Model (SGM) Awareness Session being offered throughout the school district this month.

### Criterion-Referenced Competency Test (CRCT) Resource Tips

The Online Assessment System (formerly known as the CRCT Online System) enables students in Georgia's public schools to access tests that consist of the same kinds of questions that appear on two of Georgia's end-of-year assessments, the Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCT), the End of Course Tests (EOCT), the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT), and the Georgia Writing tests. The Online Assessment System (OAS) is available throughout the school year for student and teacher use.

Make plans to attend one of the CRCT Awareness Sessions being offered throughout the school district this month. A few of the areas we will be taking a closer look at will include OAS, CRCT subject areas, study tips, parent and student resources as well as test score interpretation.

# Spotlight on Parent Engagement



<http://parentresources.ga.schoolinsites.com>  
DCBOEPI app

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## March Calendar of Parental Involvement Events

<b>ESOL Parent Meeting</b> <b>March 3, 2014</b> <b>6:30-7:30 pm</b> <b>BMS</b>	<b>PSE-Patriot Connection Team Meeting</b> <b>March 18, 2014</b> <b>9:00 -10:00 am</b> <b>Or</b> <b>5:00 – 6:00 pm</b>	<b>Student Growth Model (SGM) Awareness</b> <b>March 20, 2014</b> <b>5:00-6:00 pm</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b>
<b>Student Growth Model (SGM) Awareness</b> <b>March 6, 2014</b> <b>6:00-6:45 pm</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b>	<b>CRCT Parent Awareness</b> <b>March 18, 2014</b> <b>5:00-6:00 pm</b> <b>PSE</b>	<b>Parent Volunteer Training</b> <b>March 25, 2014</b> <b>8:30-9:30 am</b> <b>Or</b> <b>5:00-6:00 pm</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b>
<b>Student Growth Model (SGM) Awareness</b> <b>March 10, 2014</b> <b>8:30-9:15 am</b> <b>BHS</b>	<b>HMS-PTO</b> <b>March 18, 2014</b> <b>5:30-6:30 pm</b>	<b>JJE-PTO</b> <b>March 25, 2014</b> <b>6:30-7:30 pm</b>
<b>PSE K- Parent Luncheon</b> <b>March 12, 2014</b> <b>11:00—11:30 am</b>	<b>BMS-CRCT Parent Awareness</b> <b>March 18, 2014</b> <b>2:00 –3:00 pm</b>	<b>CRCT Parent Awareness</b> <b>March 27, 2014</b> <b>12:00-1:00 pm</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b>
<b>CRCT Parent Awareness</b> <b>March 12, 2014</b> <b>8:30-9:30 am</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b>	<b>District Parent Involvement Connection Team Meeting</b> <b>March 19, 2014</b> <b>12:00-1:00 pm</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b>	<b>Migrant PAC Meeting</b> <b>March 27, 2014</b> <b>6:00-7:00 pm</b> <b>Migrant Resource Room</b>
<b>Early Release Day</b> <b>March 13, 2014</b>	<b>Report Cards</b> <b>March 20, 2014</b>	<b>Spring Break</b> <b>March 31- April 4</b>
<b>No School; Teacher Furlough</b> <b>March 14, 2014</b>	<b>Dyslexia: Evaluation and Education in Decatur County Schools</b> <b>March 20, 2014</b> <b>12:00-1:00 pm</b> <b>District Parent Resource Center</b> <b>(Bring your own brown bag lunch)</b>	
<b>Autism Awareness Group</b> <b>March 17, 2014</b> <b>12:00-1:00 pm</b> <b>Gilbert H. Gragg Library</b>		

### March Benchmark Assessments

**March 7- Social Studies**  
(5th-8th)

**March 10- Language**  
(5th-8th)

**March 11- Reading**  
(1st-8th)

**March 13- Science**  
(1st-8th)

### April Criterion-Referenced Competency Test (CRCT) Testing Schedule

**April 9- CRCT Reading**  
(3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)  
**DCIA Reading**  
(1st and 2nd only)

**April 16- CRCT Science**  
(3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

**April 17- CRCT Social Studies**  
(3rd-8th)

**April 10- CRCT English**  
(3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)  
**DCIA English**  
(1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> only)

**April 15- CRCT Math**  
(3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)  
**DCIA Math**

