### **Our Mission**

Catoosa County Public Schools is a student-focused learning community, where excellence is expected from staff and students, every day, without exception.

# **Our Vision**

Catoosa County Public Schools will prepare every child to reach their full potential so they graduate prepared to be good citizens and leaders of the future.

#### **VOTER INFORMATION**

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★ *March 1, 2016 7:00 am - 7:00 pm*: Presidential Preference Primary & ESPLOST Special Election

February 8, 2016

- ★ February 8th February 26th Mon-Fri. 8:00 am 5:00 pm: Early Voting Ringgold (7658 Nashville St. Ringgold, GA 30736) & Westside (3319 Lakeview Dr. Rossville, GA 30741) precincts
- ★ February 20th, 9:00 am 4:00 pm: Saturday Voting
- ★ February 25th, 8:00 am -7:00 pm: Thursday, Extended Voting

The Georgia Department of Education released the names of Title I Reward Schools. Superintendent Reese said, "I am very proud that we have seven Title I Reward schools in our district."

Title I Reward Schools fall into one of two categories:

A **Highest-Performing School** is among the five percent of the state's Title I schools with the absolute highest performance, over three years, for the "all students" group on the statewide assessments. A school may not be classified as a Highest-Performing School if it has been identified as a Priority or Focus School.

- **★** Battlefield Primary
- ★ Ringgold Primary



## **Battlefield Primary**

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Geoff Rhodes, Principal; Hiram Silas, Assistant Principal; Bobbi Marshall, Special Education Department Head; Gloria Hunt; Melvin Edwards.



### Ringgold Primary

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Nancy Gurganus, Principal; Leigh Ann Lane, Assistant Principal; Kathy Kennedy; Ann McMillen; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.

A **Highest-Progress School** is among the 10 percent of the state's Title I schools making the most progress in improving the performance of the "all students" group over three years on the statewide assessments. A school may not be classified as a High-Progress school if it has been identified as a Priority or Focus School.

- ★ Battlefield Elementary
- ★ Woodstation Elementary
- ★ Graysville Elementary
- ★ Ringgold Middle
- ★ Lakeview Middle



#### **Battlefield Elementary**

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Dr. Becky Howard, Principal; Dr. Kent McCrary, Assistant Principal; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.



### Woodstation Elementary

Front: Don Dycus, Chairman; Ellen Girod; Carolyn Parker; Donna Knight; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Carla Morris; Afton Babb; Candi Gracy; Gloria Hunt

Back: Jack Sims; David Moeller, Vice Chairman; Becky Thompson; Jennifer Simpson; Amy Still, Assistant Principal; Ernie Ellis, Principal; Angela Ables; Nancy Ridell; Melvin Edwards



## Graysville Elementary

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Shelley Johnson, Assistant Principal; Rebecca West, Academic Coach; Kamil Leonard, Title I Parent Involvement Coordinator; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.



## Ringgold Middle

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Jeff Fricks, Principal; Kim Mullins, Assistant Principal; Lesley Chance, Academic Coach; Mike Sholl, Operations Director/Past Principal; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.



## Lakeview Middle

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Steve McClure, Principal; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.



#### LFO GIRLS' SOCCER TEAM AND COACH TRACI McCRACKEN

The LFO Girls' Soccer team was recognized by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) with the 2014-2015 High School Team Academic Award. To qualify for this award, the team must have a collective minimum grade point average of 3.25 for the entire academic year. The team had a great soccer season as one of the Elite 8 in Georgia, and based on the team's GPA they were also recognized by NSCAA with their academic award.

**Front Row**: Don Dycus, Chairman; Katie Shelly; Deandra Rowe; Kinsey Farmer; Kayla Hull; Kristina Wooten; Hannah Elleman; Gloria Hunt; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Traci McCracken, Coach **Second row**: Jack Sims; David Moeller, Vice Chairman; Brooke Byrum; Caitlin McMunn; Lindsey Dunham; Alyssa Leverrett; Ulany Wooten; Kala King-Coffman; Melvin Edwards; Terri Vandiver, LFO Principal **Not pictured**: Abbi Mabry, Diana Ramos, Emma Linebarger, Rachel Wiley, Maia Payne, and Chelsey Lindsay

#### SHINING STAR RECOGNITION



Marilyn Sellers, RMS Cafeteria Manager Child Nutrition Shining Star

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Marilyn Sellers; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.



Maria McKenzie Transportation Shining Star

David Moeller, Vice-Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Maria McKenzie; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Gloria Hunt; and Melvin Edwards.



### SUPERINTENDENT REESE PRESENTS BOE WITH TWO AWARDS

Georgia School Board Association (GSBA) 2015 Exemplary Board of Education Award: Superintendent Reese said, "I appreciate our Board's dedication to excellence in leadership and their hard work to achieve GSBA's highest level of distinction." *Chairman Dycus is holding the award.* 

Times Free Press Best of the Best: CCPS - Best Place to Work Award. Superintendent Reese said, "I was absolutely thrilled when the Times Free Press announced that Catoosa County Public Schools was chosen as the "Best Place to Work" in North Georgia. I am so honored that you took time to vote for our system for this award!" Superintendent Reese is holding the award.

David Moeller, Vice Chairman; Jack Sims; Don Dycus, Chairman; Denia Reese, Superintendent; Melvin Edwards; and Gloria Hunt.