



Cook County Schools

**2016-2017
Strategic
Plan**

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Creating and Inspiring Lifelong Learners

Cook County Schools Five Strategic Focus Areas

Focus Area 1: <i>High Academic Achievement</i>	Focus Area 2: <i>College and Career Readiness</i>	Focus Area 3: <i>Quality Teachers, Administrators, and Staff</i>	Focus Area 4: <i>Supportive Learning Environments</i>	Focus Area 5: <i>Strong Parental and Community Support</i>
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MISSION

Cook County Schools will provide an exemplary education to all students in a safe and positive environment.

VISION

To stimulate learning and creativity that will prepare our students for success and lifelong learning.

KEY STRATEGIES 2016-2017

- ✓ **Increase the percentage of students scoring Proficient or Distinguished on GA Milestones.**
- ✓ **Increase college and career readiness and the graduation rate for all students.**
- ✓ **Ensure that all teachers and paraprofessionals are well prepared and effective.**
- ✓ **Provide a safe and positive learning environment for all students and staff.**
- ✓ **Increase parental and community partnerships to promote student achievement.**

TARGETS 2016 – 2017

Grad Rate	84.9
ES CCRPI	63.4
MS CCRPI	69.8
HS CCRPI	73.9

CORE BELIEFS

- Student learning is the highest priority.
- Each student is unique and will be provided with a variety of instructional approaches to support and enhance learning.
- A positive, safe, and orderly environment enhances and promotes student learning.
- Students should be involved in decision-making, planning, and enhancing self-esteem that promotes positive relationships and mutual respect among and between students and staff.
- Students learn best when actively engaged with challenging work.
- Education is a shared responsibility of the entire school community, i.e. students, parents, teachers, administrators, and community members.
- A commitment to continuous school improvement is necessary for students to become lifelong learners.

S.W.O.T. Analysis: Summary of Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Talented, dedicated staff members ❖ Strong community support ❖ Strong commitment to students and families 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Increased class sizes ❖ Reduced resources ❖ Limited technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Implementation of Georgia Standards of Excellence ❖ Implementation of Career Pathways ❖ ESEA Waiver (CCRPI) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Continued reduction in federal, state, and local funding ❖ Continued weak economy ❖ Decreased local control