

SWSS Contract Amendments Updated February 21, 2019

Amendment #1 (August 2016)

The SWSS Contract was amended to include five additional schools.

Rationale: Since the approval of the Gwinnett County Public Schools SWSS contract by the State Board of Education in October 2014, three new schools have been added which are now included in the SWSS flexibility contract. These three additional schools are:

- Discovery High School
- Coleman Middle School
- Baldwin Elementary School

Additionally, Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science and Technology (GSMST) and Gwinnett Online Campus (GOC) are no longer charter schools as of June 30, 2016. These two schools have been added to the SWSS flexibility contract.

Amendment #2 (August 2017)

The SWSS Contract was amended to include two additional flexibilities.

Rationale: The Gwinnett Board of Education created a resolution to include two additional flexibilities to the SWSS flexibility contract which are noted below.

- Flexibility with regards to Awarding Units of Credit for the purpose of substitution of equivalent or higher level requirements which will assist students in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful as they continue their education at the postsecondary level and/or enter the workforce (SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.15)
- Flexibility with regards to Promotion and Retention (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-282, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-283, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-284, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-285)

Amendment #3 (February 16, 2018 with December 5, 2018 DOE Update)

Rationale: The Gwinnett Board of Education created a resolution to amend the SWSS Contract to include the following changes:

1. Exhibit B of the Contract shall be amended to add the following waivers:
 - a. Scheduling for Student Success (O.C.G.A. §§ 20-2-168(c) and (d)).
 - b. School Day for Students (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-151, O.C.G.A. §§ 20-2-168(c) and (d)).
 - c. School Day for Students and Employees (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-151, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-160 except to the extent that it relates to funding, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-165 except that this waiver cannot be used to augment funding, and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-168(c)).
 - d. QBE Formula (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-161 except to the extent that it relates to funding).

2. Exhibit B of the Contract shall be further amended by including the following flexibility components:
 - a. Awarding Units of Credits and Acceptance of Transfer Credit and/or Grades (SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.15 for the purpose of substitution of equivalent or higher level requirements which will assist students in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful as they continue their education at the postsecondary level and/or enter the workforce).
 - b. Class-size and Reporting (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-182, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-187(b) flexibility with respect to social graces and etiquette, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-200, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-108, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-201, and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-204).
 - c. Program Enrollment and Appropriation (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-160 except to the extent that it relates to funding)
 - d. Competencies and Core Curriculum, Online Learning (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-140.1, O.C.G.A. §20-2-142 and SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.48 for the purpose of substitution of equivalent or higher-level requirements which will assist students in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful as they continue their education at the postsecondary level and/or enter the workforce.)

3. Exhibit B of the Contract shall be further amended by deleting the following waivers:
 - a. Educational Programs (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-152)
 - b. Promotion and Retention (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-282)

Additionally, two new schools will be added to the SWSS contract.

- International Transition Center
- Paul Duke STEM High School

Amendment #4 (February 21, 2019)

On February 21, 2019, the State Board of Education approved an amendment to Gwinnett County Public Schools Strategic Waivers School System Contract.

Rationale: To incorporate the revised Exhibit C - Accountability Component of the Gwinnett County Public Schools Strategic Waivers School System Contract which accounts for the reset of the CCRPI baseline year to 2018 as included in Georgia's ESSA State Plan and is included in the revised Exhibit E-F-G – Elementary, Middle, and High School Plans which identifies the 2018 CCRPI Baseline Reset and the Targets through 2021.