



The Division of Academic Services provides direct line authority over the operation of all schools and educational sites in the district. Academic Services staff members supervise the administration and implementation of instructional programs system-wide. The Division is responsible for development and implementation of professional development programs and leads school improvement efforts.

### **Academic Services Goals and Objectives**

#### **Goal - Assist and support the district's schools to meet/exceed the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) measures of No Child Left Behind (NCLB)**

##### **Objectives**

- Increase the number of students with disabilities who receive instruction in the general education environment from 68 to 72%.
- Implement research-based Best Practices, to include: Six Elements of a Mathematics Lesson and Daily Distributed Practice for English/Language Arts.
- Implement the Truancy Initiative to increase student daily attendance.

#### **Goal - Ensure full implementation of the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS)**

##### **Objectives**

- Develop district-wide GPS pacing guides and curriculum tools for teachers.
- Provide school-based Academic Coaches using federal funding to support teachers as they implement standards-based classrooms.
- Re-Deliver state GPS implementation training to all teachers.

#### **Goal - Establish a Continuous Learning Culture for administrators and instructional staff**

##### **Objectives**

- Train cohorts of academic administrators on: standards-based instructional systems; learning theory to practice; leading literacy and math programs; and developing the professional capacity of the school staff, through the National Institute for School Leadership.
- Train cohorts of accomplished teachers to become future school leaders through university partnerships.
- Provide support for new and struggling teachers through induction activities, coursework, coaching and mentoring.















