

NEWS RELEASE

Savannah-Chatham County Public School System FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 25, 2013





SCCPSS Top Ten in the Nation!

Honored for use of Technology

The Savannah-Chatham County Public School System placed 7th in a national survey assessed by the Center for Digital Education. The survey showcases the exemplary use of technology to govern

the district, communicate with students, parents, and the community, and to improve district operations. "It's really exciting to see the unique and creative ways districts are using technology," said Cathilea Robinett, Executive Vice President for the Center for Digital Education. "We see these leaders as an inspiration to other school districts to continue leading education into a digital future. Congratulations to this year's winners!"

This award recognizes the strides that have been made in integrating technology into classroom instruction and business offices. SCCPSS employs a wide range of technology to improve the efficiency and effectiveness for students, faculty, and staff. For example, the district's website continues to be a key communication channel with regularly updated information, meeting announcements, videos, school listings, and sections dedicated to each of the district's administrative divisions. Community members stay engaged with School Board meetings through an online meeting and agenda database at boarddocs.com, live streaming of board meetings through savannahnow.com, and all meetings are re-broadcast on the City of Savannah's television channel "City Span".

Throughout Savannah-Chatham Public Schools, many students enjoy a blended learning environment through combined online and teacher led instruction, digital Smart Boards, electronic Student Response Systems, and access to a wide range of portable learning devices and computer based learning tools. Many of these

advancements have come as a result of the Educational Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax with more than \$15 million dollars in ESPLOST funds dedicated to technology.

SCCPSS is also excited to announce the launch of its website in a compact, highly optimized format. Users of smart-phone devices may utilize www.sccpss.mobi for fast access to many of the key informational items found at www.sccpss.com.

For a full list of Digital School District winners please <u>click here</u> or visit: http://www.centerdigitaled.com. **About The Center for Digital Education:** The Center for Digital Education (CDE) is a national research and advisory institute specializing in K-12 and higher education technology trends, policy, and funding. CDE's media platform includes the Center for Digital Education Special Reports, centerdigitaled.com, email newsletters, and custom publications.