



District Accountability System Goal 4, Objective C Engaging Our Neighborhoods & Communities Annual Report – July 2009

Executive Summary

Target: Every principal will present information on their school and the District to least one civic organization geographically related to the school by the end of each school year.

Summary: Over the past year, the Office of Communications and Community Engagement and our schools' principals have worked with the City of Savannah to build relationships between recognized community groups and our schools. Taking the lead, the principals have devoted time and effort into forging these essential community relationships. In addition, many of our principals have taken additional steps to meet with local civic organizations, i.e. Exchange Club, Rotary, Lions, Optimists, etc. to not only introduce themselves but to extend an invitation to join their schools as volunteers/mentors/tutors.

As shown in *Table 1*, the 2007-2008 baseline of activity was established indicating 20 out of 51 principals spoke at 49 neighborhood/community/civic functions. The results from this school year indicates the following; 42 principals out of 52 sites (Coastal Montessori added) spoke at a total of 103 neighborhood/community/civic functions, doubling the previous year's effort.

Steps to Ensure Future Success: The Community Engagement Liaison will continue to work with the City of Savannah's Community Projects Technician and local civic organizations

providing principals with an updated list of community and neighborhood organizations at the beginning of every school year and assisting them in making connections with associated civic organizations. In addition, the neighborhoods monthly meeting and activities schedule will be sent via email to all principals to assist with their scheduling and ensure the principals are aware of future meetings and their timing.

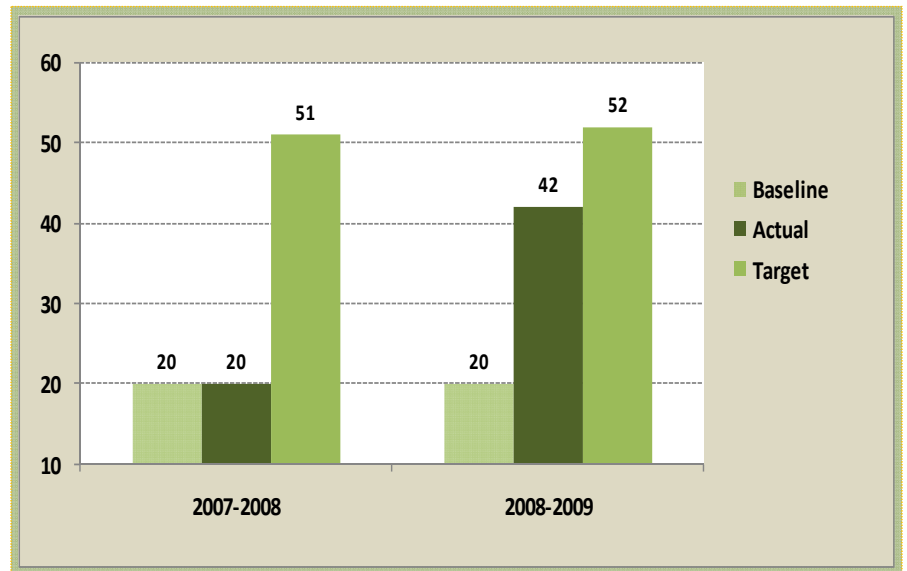


Table 1 – Principals' Community Speaking Activity

Elementary Schools

School	2007-2008	2008-2009	Target Met
Bartow	9	10	Yes
Bloomington	2	2	Yes
Butler	1	2	Yes
Coastal Empire Montessori	0	0	No
East Broad	1	1	Yes
Ellis	1	2	Yes
Gadsden	0	1	Yes
Garden City	0	1	Yes
Garrison	2	2	Yes
Georgetown	1	2	Yes
Gould	0	0	No
Haven	1	2	Yes
Heard	0	3	Yes
Hesse	0	4	Yes
Hodge	0	1	Yes
Howard	0	1	Yes
Islands	0	1	Yes
Isle of Hope	1	1	Yes
Largo-Tibet	0	2	Yes
Low	0	0	No
Marshpoint	0	1	Yes
Pooler	0	1	Yes
Port Wentworth	0	0	No
Pulaski	0	2	Yes
J.G. Smith	0	1	Yes
Southwest	0	3	Yes
Spencer	1	1	Yes
Thunderbolt	0	1	Yes
West Chatham	0	4	Yes
White Bluff	2	3	Yes
Windsor Forest	0	0	No

Middle Schools

School	2007-2008	2008-2009	Target Met
Bartlett	0	0	No
Coastal	0	3	Yes
DeRenne	1	1	Yes
Hubert	0	6	Yes
Mercer	0	1	Yes
Myers	2	4	Yes
Oglethorpe	0	0	No
Shuman	0	1	Yes
Southwest	0	2	Yes
West Chatham	0	1	Yes

High Schools

School	2007-2008	2008-2009	Target Met
Beach	5	5	Yes
Groves	1	2	Yes
Jenkins	4	7	Yes
Johnson	1	3	Yes
Savannah Arts	0	0	No
Savannah High	0	0	No
Windsor Forest	2	2	Yes

Other Sites

School	2007-2008	2008-2009	Target Met
Coastal GA Comprehensive	1	3	Yes
Early College	0	0	No
Scott	0	0	No
Woodville-Tompkins	0	3	Yes