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# THREE BIBB SCHOOLS NAMED TO STATE'S REWARD LIST FOR ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT

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(MACON, GA) – Three Bibb County School District schools were recently named to the Georgia Department of Education's Reward Schools list. These schools are Brookdale Elementary School, Burdell-Hunt Magnet School and Miller Magnet Middle School.

Reward Schools rank among the most-improved 5 percent of Title I schools in the state, based on data from the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI). These schools also maintain the performance of certain subgroups based on income, disabilities and language fluency.

Data released this fall reflects an increase in CCRPI among Bibb County schools from 67.2 in 2018 to 68.5 percent in 2019. This increase also outpaced the state's growth, which declined from 2018 to 2019.

Overall, 21 of 35 schools in Bibb demonstrated increases in school CCRPI scores. Among the list of schools with double-digit increases in scores from 2018 to 2019 were Burdell-Hunt (+20.5 percentage points), Brookdale (+17.2 percentage points), Miller (+14.4 percentage points) and Riley (+10.3 percentage points). With double-digit increases at both Brookdale and Riley in 2019, the District is optimistic about the new consolidated elementary school's future at Greenbriar Road when the school opens in fall 2020.

Additionally, School Climate Star Ratings are released with CCRPI data. Climate Star Ratings are meant to provide insight into the quality and character of school life and allow schools to identify areas in need of improvement. Climate ratings range from 1 star to 5 stars, with 5 stars being the highest a school can achieve. With its increase from 4 stars in 2018 to 5 stars in 2019, Miller Magnet Middle School is the first middle school and first secondary school in the Bibb County School District to ever achieve a 5-star climate rating. Previously, only elementary schools in Bibb had achieved a 5-star climate rating.

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