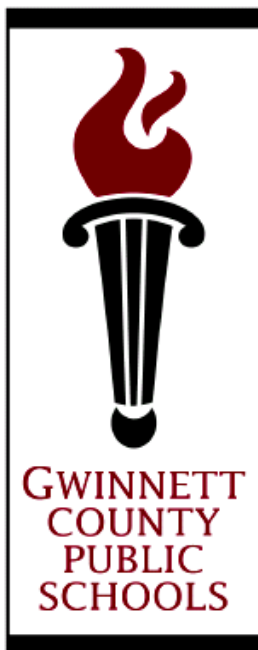


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Meetings provide information about choice/supplemental service

Under provision of the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB), schools that have been identified as “Needs Improvement” schools for two or more years may be required to offer parents the opportunity to transfer their child to another school. (Note: Schools that have been identified as “Needs Improvement” schools must make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for two years in a row to move out of that status. During that time, schools may be required to offer choice and other options, required by the law.)

AYP Information Sessions will be held at all schools offering the NCLB choice option this school year, as well as at the four schools designated by the district as accepting choice students in 2008-09. The schools offering the NCLB choice option to students this year and the dates/times of each school’s AYP Information Session are as follows:

Berkmar High School	July 29, 2008	6:30 p.m.
Meadowcreek High School	July 29, 2008	6 p.m.
Richards MS	July 29, 2008	6 p.m.
Snellville MS	July 29, 2008	7 p.m.
* Sweetwater MS	July 29, 2008	6 p.m.
* Radloff MS	July 29, 2008	6 p.m.

(* These schools made AYP in 2008, but must offer choice for one more year until they make AYP in 2009.)

The four schools designated as accepting choice students and the dates/times of their AYP Information Sessions are:

Duluth Middle	July 31, 2008	6 p.m.
Lilburn Middle	July 31, 2008	5 p.m.
Dacula High	July 31, 2008	7:15 p.m.
Duluth High	July 31, 2008	7:15 p.m.

Parents of newly-enrolling students attending a school offering the NCLB choice option may contact the school directly to learn more about next steps.

SES Provider Fairs and Parent Informational Meetings for Title I Schools

The three Title I schools offering Supplemental Educational Services (SES) for students this year have organized several meetings to share information with parents. These provider fairs will provide the opportunity for tutoring providers to promote their programs and interact with parents. In addition, Title I staff members will offer parents information on regulations and guidelines for the program and answer parents’ questions. The scheduled times for these meetings are:

Radloff Middle School	August 20, 2008	7-8:30 p.m.
Sweetwater Middle School	August 21, 2008	7-8:30 p.m.
Meadowcreek High School	August 26, 2008	7-8:30 p.m.