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### Houston County Board of Education Receives Exemplary School Board Status



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – The Houston County School District is proud to announce the achievement and status of the Georgia School Boards Association’s (GSBA) 2024 Exemplary School Board recognition for the Houston County Board of Education.

The recognition program is designed to highlight the Board’s commitment to continuous improvement, collaboration, and enhancing educational opportunities for every student. GSBA honors school boards that demonstrate strong governance, helping to create a positive educational culture that supports student learning and achievement.

“Our Board of Education has received the highest level of recognition for their incredible commitment to public education each year since this program began,” said Dr. Mark Scott, Superintendent of Schools for the Houston County School District. “Our board members are dedicated to ensuring our processes are followed and that our students and teachers have the resources they need to learn and be effective. They continuously support our staff as we work to provide quality education for all Houston County students.”

The Houston County Board of Education met and/or exceeded the criteria set forth by GSBA to earn the honor of a 2024 Exemplary Board. [The criteria may be reviewed here.](#)

The GSBA Governance Team Recognition Program was developed by Georgia superintendents and board members. In 1998, the Georgia School Boards Association was one of the first school board associations in the nation to develop a program of standards for local boards of education.

The GSBA Board recognition program is a three-tiered program. For more information on the program, you may visit the [GSBA website](#). For more information about the Houston County Board of Education, visit <https://www.hcbe.net/boe>.

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