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Russell Elementary School Named as Title I Distinguished School

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Russell Elementary School has been named to the 2025 list of Distinguished Schools by the Georgia Department of Education.

Schools that are named a Distinguished School are among the highest-performing five percent of Title I Schoolwide and Title 1 Targeted Assistance schools based on the combined ELA and math content mastery scores from the statewide assessments from the 2024-2025 school year.



“Our teachers and students have worked really hard to get to this point,” said William Wilson, Principal at Russell Elementary School. “Our staff is really excited and strive to ensure that all our students are learning, achieving, and growing every day. This recognition isn’t something that is achieved overnight. You have to keep working from the primary grades all the way to fifth grade to reach this level of achievement. Our students are phenomenal. It’s great to be in an atmosphere where everyone is working together towards the same goal.”

[The full list of Title I Distinguished Schools can be found on the Georgia Department of Education website.](#)

The mission of Russell Elementary is to promote high expectations and high academic excellence for all students. They are located at 101 Patriot Way in Warner Robins. For more information about Russell Elementary, visit <https://res.hcbe.net>.

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