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Colquitt County Board of Education Achieves 2019 GSBA Exemplary School Board Status

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Colquitt County School System is proud to announce the achievement and status of the Georgia School Boards Association's (GSBA) 2019 Exemplary School Board recognition.

The recognition program is designed to showcase best practices in school governance and leadership. GSBA recognizes good school board governance to foster educational community cultures in order to advance student learning and achievement.

Colquitt County Board of Education met and/or exceeded the criteria set forth by GSBA to earn the honor of a **2019 Exemplary Board**. The criteria may be reviewed by [clicking here](#) for more information. This year 55 of the 180 public school boards earned the Exemplary Board status.

Colquitt County Board of Education Chairman Mary Beth Watson commented, "The Exemplary Board recognition program challenges local school boards to review their strengths and weaknesses and to have their practices examined by the citizens they serve. This process helps to insure that our team maintains its focus on supporting staff to improve student outcomes while adhering to the highest ethical standards."

The GSBA Governance Team Recognition Program was developed by Georgia superintendents and board members based on the [state board of education's standards for effective governance](#) to recognize exemplary leadership.

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 awards and recognition](#) or [click here](#) to view the criteria for all tiers of the program.



Pictured left to right, front: Dr. Dede Megahee-Hall, Mary Beth Watson (Chairman), Trudie M. Hill, and Patricia Anderson. Back: Robby Pitts (Vice Chairman), Doug Howell (Superintendent), and Kevin Sumner.

