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SCHOOL DESIGNATION AND INTRADISTRICT TRANSFER OPTION PARENT NOTIFICATION

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 requires that parents or guardians who have children attending a Title I school be notified of how well their school is preparing its students for college and/or a career, as well as the school's designation status under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver.

Under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver, certain Title I schools are designated as Reward, Priority, Focus, or Alert schools. The Waiver also allows the use of the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI), which serves as a comprehensive report card for all schools in Georgia. The CCRPI provides a score between 0-100 for each school, and that score measures how well the school is doing in preparing its students to be successful in college and/or a career.

The SY 14 CCRPI Scores for Pelham City Schools are listed below:

Pelham Elementary School	69.8
Pelham City Middle School	77.1
Pelham High School	72.2

Additional information regarding CCRPI can be found on Georgia's Dept. of Education website at <http://www.gadoe.org/CCRPI/Pages/default.aspx> or by contacting your child's principal.

Despite the progress made by our students, Pelham Elementary School has been designated as a Focus School under Georgia's ESEA Flexibility Waiver for the 2015-2016 school year. This designation is based on our school's performance in 2012, 2013, and 2014. Pelham City Middle School and Pelham High School have been given no designation, which means we are continuing to provide a quality education to all of our students in these schools.

In addition to providing you with information regarding the performance of Pelham City Schools, all Title I schools must notify parents of their Intradistrict Transfer Rights, also known as HB251, even where no intradistrict transfer option is available. HB251 does not apply to districts with only one school at each level (i.e., one, primary school, one elementary school, one middle school, one high school, or one combination school); therefore, this option is not available within Pelham City Schools.

Pelham City Schools take pride in the teaching we provide for our children. Our teachers and staff members work very hard to meet the needs of all students to ensure they achieve at their highest potential.

An important part of our success is parent participation and support in developing activities to improve student achievement. We hope that you will become involved in our school improvement work as we continue to monitor student achievement and set high expectations. If you are interested in participating in the development of our school improvement plans, being a part of our family engagement team or have questions about how you can better help your child in school, please contact Cindy Smith, Parent Involvement Coordinator, at 229-294-8170 or csmith@pelham-city.k12.ga.us.

Thank you for all that you do to support your child's education.

Sincerely,



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