

Good News In Georgia Education

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Despite ...

- At least \$5 billion in cuts to the education formula since 2003
- Students in two-thirds of school districts (121 out of 180) having shortened school years – ranging from 144 to 179 days
- Pay cuts for thousands of Georgia teachers in the form of furlough days, and since 2008 alone, layoffs for 4,423 teachers throughout Georgia

... **Georgia's public schools are seeing increases in student achievement.**

2013 Education Week "Quality Counts" Report

1	Maryland	7	Georgia
2	Massachusetts	8	New Jersey
3	New York	9	West Virginia
4	Virginia	10	Kentucky
5	Arkansas	11	Vermont
6	Florida	12	Ohio

2012 Advanced Placement Results

- **Georgia ranks 12th in the nation** (percentage of students scoring a 3, 4, or 5)
- **Georgia's African American students rank 2nd in the nation** (percentage of students scoring a 3, 4, or 5)

Improvement in National Assessments by States

States with Improved SAT Scores

1	Arizona	13	New Jersey
2	Colorado	14	New Mexico
3	Florida	15	North Dakota
4	Georgia	16	Ohio
5	Idaho	17	Rhode Island
6	Indiana	18	South Dakota
7	Iowa	19	Tennessee
8	Kansas	20	Utah
9	Kentucky	21	Vermont
10	Maine	22	Virginia
11	Michigan	23	West Virginia
12	Montana	24	Wisconsin

States with Improved SAT Scores and ACT Scores

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| 1 | Florida |
| 2 | Georgia |
| 3 | Kentucky |
| 4 | Main |
| 5 | Michigan |
| 6 | New Jersey |
| 7 | New Mexico |
| 8 | Tennessee |
| 9 | Vermont |
| 10 | Virginia |

States with Improved SAT, ACT, AP, and NAEP Math Scores

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| 1 | Georgia |
| 2 | Kentucky |
| 3 | New Jersey |
| 4 | New Mexico |
| 5 | Virginia |

States with Improved SAT, ACT, AP, NAEP Math, and NAEP Reading Scores

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| 1 | Georgia |
| 2 | New Jersey |

States with Improved SAT, ACT, and AP Scores

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| 1 | Florida |
| 2 | Georgia |
| 3 | Kentucky |
| 4 | Main |
| 5 | Michigan |
| 6 | New Mexico |
| 7 | Virginia |
| 8 | New Jersey |
| 9 | Tennessee |

States with Improved SAT, ACT, AP, NAEP Math, NAEP Reading, NAEP Science Scores

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| 1 | Georgia |
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