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Dear Guilford County Families and Community Members,

Thank you for taking time to learn more about GCS' progress. This site provides important data related to student achievement from the 2021-22 school year.

In 2022, the district achieved its highest-ever graduation rate at 91.8 percent, including the highest graduation rate for Black and Hispanic students. Ten GCS high schools posted perfect graduation rates – with 100% of all students who started high school in the fall of 2018 graduating within four years.

The district also significantly reduced graduation rate gaps for students of color and improved test scores in math and reading for all student groups. Additionally, the district recovered at a faster rate in math grades 3-8 for all students and by student groups compared to the state and other large districts in North Carolina.

While we acknowledge the long road ahead as we strive to get students back on track, we are moving toward transformative change in public education. We continue to actively serve all students by developing innovative methods for learning recovery.

I encourage you to review our website, [www.gcsnc.com](http://www.gcsnc.com), for more stories about how we are supporting our children. Thank you for joining us on this journey.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Whitney Oakley". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Whitney Oakley, Ed.D.  
Superintendent,  
Guilford County Schools