

Coastal Middle School Named 2017 Distinguished Breakout School



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Please find with this message information from the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System.

SCCPSS ADVISORY:

Coastal Middle School has been recognized by the Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals as a 2017 Breakout School. The Breakout Schools Award is designed to identify, recognize, and showcase Georgia middle schools that are high achieving or dramatically improving student achievement. The association selected Coastal Middle as a 2017 Breakout School and also selected it for a Distinguished Middle School Breakout Award recognizing it as one of the higher achieving schools honored at this year's GASSP award event. The winners were recognized at the GASSP Fall Conference held here in Savannah earlier this month.

Winning schools receive up to \$1,000 for their school. Schools apply for the designation through an application process that requires they show evidence of implemented strategies that fall under three core areas:

- * Collaborative Leadership which demonstrates professional learning communities, shared leadership and student and staff leadership development.
- * Personalization which demonstrates attention to all students, mentoring and school/community connections.
- * Curriculum, instruction and assessment which demonstrates access to rigorous coursework for all students, differentiated instruction with multiple assessments, data-based decision making and opportunities for career development.