

HS Principal Letter to Feeder Schools

Dear Parent/Guardian of rising 9th grade student,

The Roswell High school community is excited that your child will be joining us as a 9th grader next year, and I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to run for a position on our school's Governance Council. In case you didn't know, Fulton County schools became a charter system in 2012. This means that the district receives a waiver from state education laws in exchange for increased accountability and autonomy at the school level. As a charter system, every school in Fulton County will soon have a School Governance Council comprised of parents, teachers, school employees, and community members. The responsibilities of the School Governance Council include:

- Approve the school strategic plan and updates
- Manage the Request for Flexibility process
- Manage Seed Fund requests
- Approve the annual budget recommendations and related allocations
- Participate in the hiring of the principal (in the case of a vacancy)
- Provide annual feedback on principal performance

Fulton County Schools is implementing this charter system model in three Cohorts of schools. Our school transitioned to the charter system model as a part of the second Cohort in the 2013-2014 school year. Since that time, our School Governance Council has approved the strategic plan, brainstormed innovative programs and strategies to address the needs of our students, and submitted a Seed Fund proposal for additional funds to help get these innovative programs off the ground. As a parent or guardian of a rising 9th grader, you are eligible to run for the parent/guardian position that is open for election. The election for this position will be held May 5 – 7, 2014.

If you are interested in running for the parent/guardian position on the School Governance Council, please complete and submit the Candidate Declaration form to the district office by April 28, 2015. You can find the form online on our school's website (<http://school.fultonschools.org/hs/roswell/Pages/sgc.aspx>) or on the district website (<http://www.fultonschools.org/en/about/charter/Pages/electionresources.aspx>). You can also receive a hard copy of the form at the front office of your school.

If you have additional questions about the School Governance Council or elections, please view our school website or contact the front office.

Sincerely,

Jerome Huff

Principal
Roswell High School