

Joint Budget Hearing

Chief Turnaround Office

January 22, 2020



Offering a holistic education to **each and every child** in our state.



Update on Chief Turnaround Office

- On Friday, January 24 the State Board of Education voted unanimously to:
 - Accept Dr. Eric Thomas' resignation letter
 - Refer the Georgia DOE auditor's report regarding the Chief Turnaround Office to Georgia's Office of Inspector General for further investigation
 - Place Dr. Eric Thomas on administrative leave effective immediately
 - Appoint Dr. Stephanie Johnson, from DOE School Improvement, the acting Chief Turnaround Officer

Our Shared Belief:

Every child deserves an excellent education.

Every child deserves to attend a school that's prepared to equip them for their future.

It is our greatest responsibility as a state to provide the service, support, and resources schools need to improve – so that all students can succeed.

13 Schools Currently Served by CTO

Cohort I (December 2017)

1. Alice Coachman Elementary, Dougherty County
2. Appling Middle, Appling County
3. Ballard-Hudson Middle, Bibb County
4. Clay County Elementary, Clay County
5. Clay County Middle, Clay County **(not Turnaround Eligible)**
6. Dooly County Elementary, Dooly County
7. Dooly County Middle, Dooly County **(not Turnaround Eligible)**
8. Dooly County High, Dooly County
9. Northside Elementary, Dougherty County
10. Radium Springs Middle, Dougherty County
11. Randolph-Clay Middle, Randolph County
12. Veterans Elementary, Bibb County

Cohort II (December 2018)

13. Cooper-Carver Elementary, Terrell County

Cohort II – Withdrew (By Spring 2019)

- Glenn Hills Elementary, Richmond County
- Glenn Hills Middle, Richmond County
- Glenn Hills High, Richmond County
- Hubert Middle, Chatham County
- Mercer Middle, Chatham County
- Murphey Middle, Richmond County
- Josey High, Richmond County
- W.S. Hornsby Middle, Richmond County

Taking Immediate Action

- Dr. Stephanie Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of School Improvement, appointed by SBOE to serve as interim Chief Turnaround Officer
- Proven turnaround leader as principal
- Offers immediate buy-in, credibility & respect from those in the field

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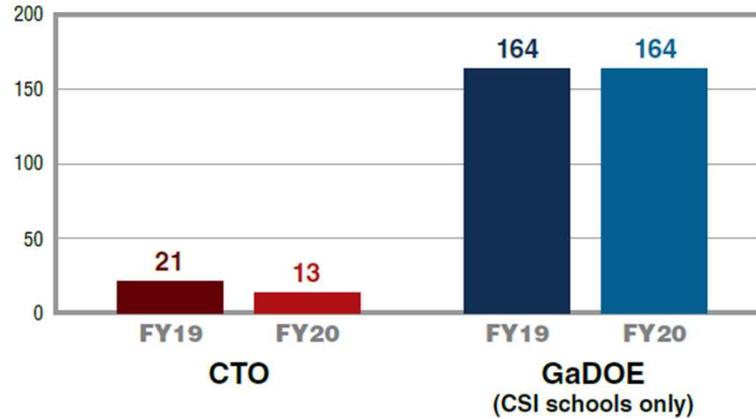
- On-the-ground assessment
- Nationally recognized training for turnaround staff
- Get staff out of Atlanta and into struggling schools
- Establish a new Rapid Response Team

Access to School Improvement Resources & Supports

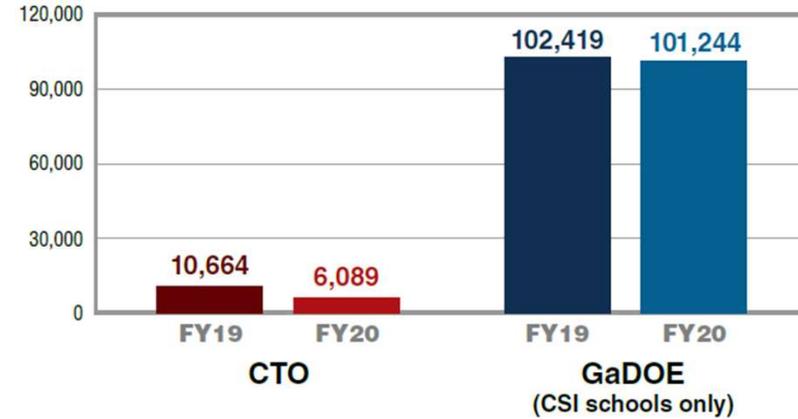
- School- and district-assigned coaches
- School Improvement Dashboard (accessible to schools and districts)
- Comprehensive school improvement plans

Number of Schools & Students Served

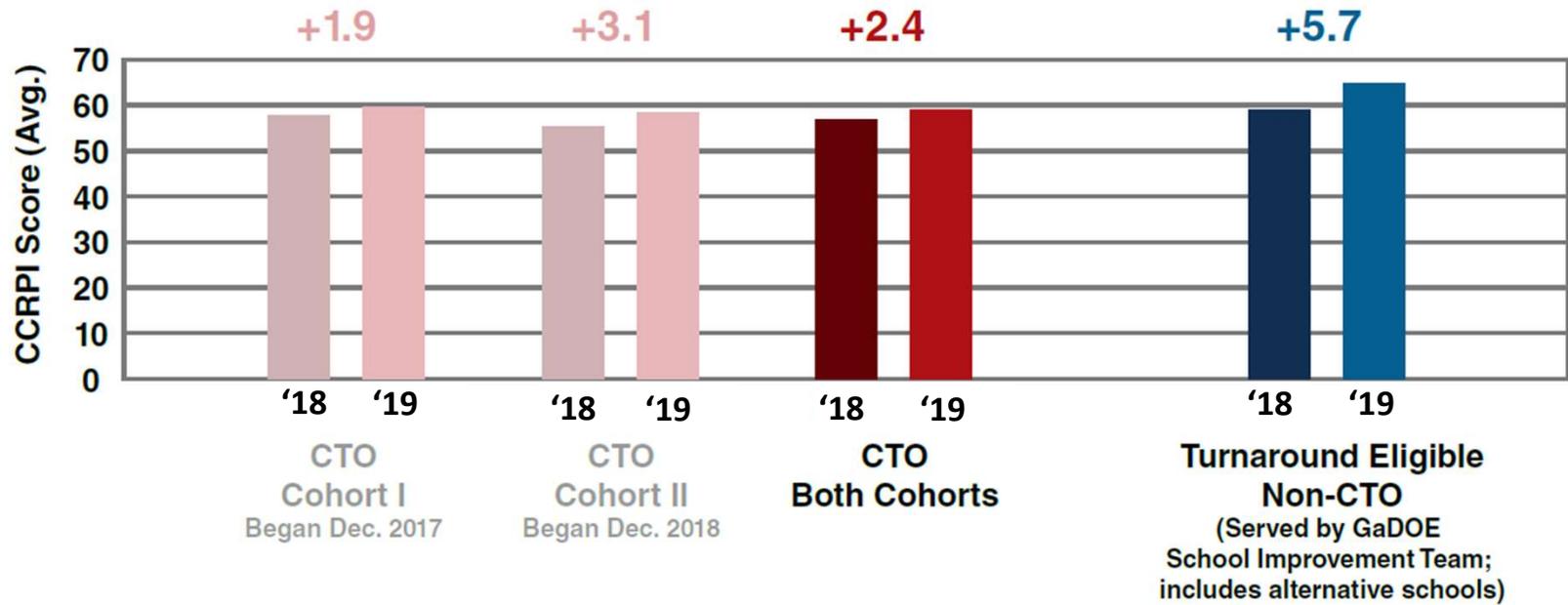
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CCRPI Comparison: 2018 to 2019



Governor's Budget Recommendation

- Eliminates duplication and redundancy, providing a clear, cohesive, and more efficient strategy for supporting Georgia's lowest-performing schools
- Recognizes effectiveness, offering a better return on investment for the state
 - Schools working with DOE School Improvement had an average CCRPI increase double that of schools working with the Chief Turnaround Office

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