

# Kedron Elementary School School Council Annual Report 2004-2005

**Vision:** To bring the school, community and parents closer together in the spirit of cooperation to solve difficult education problems and improve student achievement with support for the instructional leaders.

**Mission:** Kedron Elementary School strives for excellence in all things.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL ACTION PLAN GOALS

Goals	Action Steps Taken	Progress Toward Meeting Your Goals
1. To revise and adopt new by-laws so that they reflect the changes in the school council law.	1.To rewrite the by-laws to reflect amendments to the Georgia School Council Law. July 1, 2004	1. Kedron's by-laws were amended as follows: a. Four meeting months were designated in the by-laws as: September, November, February, and April. b. Starting in school year 2004-2005 the terms were

<p>2. To review Kedron's tests scores (CRCT &amp; ITBS) in all academic areas in order to assist in developing a school improvement plan for Kedron Elementary School.</p>	<p>As each section of the School Improvement Report was developed by teachers, parents, community members and school council members the council received an overview of the summary and had an opportunity to offer input for the report. All council members served on all six sections of the QSIP report.</p>	<p>staggered for all positions except principal.</p> <p>c. Goal accomplished by holding elections in May 2005. All terms in office are now staggered positions.</p> <p><b>This goal was met.</b></p> <p>The final school improvement report was presented to the school council members. They were invited to meet with our visiting Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) team to offer their comments concerning our report. The report was validated on Feb. 8, 2005 Kedron received the marking of <i>passing - with quality</i> by the visiting team.</p>
<p>3. To educate the school council on legislative actions that affect public schools</p>	<p>3. Information was presented to the council on issues and topics that were a part of the legislative session in January – March 2005.</p>	<p><b>This goal was met.</b></p> <p>3. Parents were given information about the state-wide law concerning the calendar start date and information about</p>

<p>4. To continue to support Kedron's PTO with our volunteer efforts.</p>	<p>4. Principal presents a report that highlights the school's activities and council members are encouraged to attend any upcoming activities.</p>	<p>the possibility of changing the way schools are funded.  <b>This goal was met</b>  4. The School Council members participate in many of our ongoing events such as: Academic Expo, Heart-to-Heart Fun Run, Bingo Family Fun Night, Fall Family Festival, etc., Restaurant nights at Chick-fil-a, Mike &amp; C's ,Beef-o-Brady's, Cultural Arts events, etc.</p>
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## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT GOALS/GAINS

- Students will raise achievement in English / Language Arts in grades 1-5 from a school average of 42. 4% *exceeding* in SY 2004 on the CRCT to an average of 45% SY 2005 *exceeding* the standard with 100% participation on the tests.
- The fifth grade students will score a combined 93% in SY 2005 or higher in the *extending* and *engaging* categories on the state-mandated writing assessment with 100% of the students participating.
- Students will raise achievement in Mathematics in grades 1-5 from a school average of 56% *exceeding in SY 2004* to a school average of 58% *exceeding* the standard in SY 2005.
- Students will raise achievement in reading vocabulary for grades 1-5 from a school average of 65.2% *exceeding* the standard in SY 2004 to 68% *exceeding* the standard in SY 2005 .

<b>Language Arts</b>	
<b>Goal(s)</b>	<b>Summary</b>

<p>1. Students will raise achievement in English/Language Arts in grades 1-5 from a school average of 42.4% exceeding the standard on the CRCT to an average of 45% exceeding the standard with 100% participation of all subgroups.</p>	<p>The Kedron students in grade 1-5 increased student achievement from an average of 42.4% to an average of 60.8% with 100% participation of all subgroups. <b>This goal was met.</b></p>
<p>2. The fifth grade students will score a combined 93% or higher in the <i>Extending / Engaging categories on the state-mandated writing assessment with a 100% participation in all subgroups.</i></p>	<p>The 5th graders scored 86% in the Extending and Engaging categories on the state-mandated writing tests with 100% participation of all students in all subgroups. <b>We did not meet the entire achievement goal, but did meet 100% participation. School improvement plans will continue to be developed for this area.</b></p>

<b>Mathematics</b>	
<b>Goal(s)</b>	<b>Summary</b>
<p>Students will raise achievement in grades 1-5 from a school average of 56% exceeding the standard on the CRCT to 58% exceeding the standard with 100% participation of all subgroups.</p>	<p>The Kedron students increased achievement from a school average of 56% exceeding the standard to 65% exceeding the standard on the CRCT with 100% participation. <b>We met our goal.</b></p>

<b>Reading</b>	
<b>Goal(s)</b>	<b>Summary</b>

Students will raise achievement in reading vocabulary from a school average of 65.2% exceeding the standard in SY2004 to 68% exceeding the standard on the CRCT at the end of SY2005 with 100% participation by all subgroups.

The Kedron students increased achievement from a school average of 56% exceeding the standard on the CRCT to 72% exceeding the standard with 100% participation.  
**We met our goal.**

## COMMUNICATION PLAN

### Summary of Plan

Audience	Type of Communication	Medium
Parents/Staff	Notices concerning all meetings. School Council / PTO	Weekly Lunch Menu – sent home on Friday.
Parents / Community /Staff	Posting of all meetings dates & times	Kedronknights.org/ Doors of school/ Driveway sign School calendar board in office
Parents /Community /Staff	Minutes from meetings	Weekly menu Website e-mail to teachers

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INVOLVEMENT

### Summary of Activities

The Kedron School Council did not sponsor any activities on its own, but all the members offered support to the Kedron PTO and the activities that they planned.

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

### **Summary of Activities**

#### **PTO planned activities**

1. Kedron Elementary has tremendous parent and community involvement. During school year 2005 funds were donated to the school by anonymous donors to fund a piano lab for the school music program, an A.E.D. machine for the school clinic, and to complete a \$20,000 rubberized track for the school's PE Department.
2. A grant from Alcan was provided for Kedron to fund a new LCD projector and to mount the projector in the computer lab.
3. The community participated in the Heart-to-Heart Fun Run to raise part of the money for the PE track.
4. Planned Geography Expo for students focusing on world culture.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **to the Local School Board for the current school year.**

The Kedron School Council met four times in 2004-2005. The average attendance rate was 85%. All members participated in one or more sections of the School Improvement (QSIP) report that was written by the instructional staff, parents, and school council members. The school council met and discussed many issues as well as ways to improve Kedron's facility and grounds. A suggestion of cutting a driveway into the end of the parking lot was discussed. The principal discussed this improvement with the Director of Facility Services, and the Superintendent John DeCotis. The school council supported the suggestion. This exit was needed to alleviate traffic concerns on Kedron Drive. The Superintendent was responsive to the issue and allotted money to have this completed during the summer of 2005. The traffic concern has now been alleviated and the school is seeing more students being on time to school.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **to the Local School Board for the 2005-06 School Year**

To be determined by new school council members in September 2006

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- 1. Received AYP for 2004 & 2005**
- 2. AYP – Named a Distinguished School for SY2005**
- 3. Kedron had one of two \$25,000 Milkin Teachers of the Year for the State of Georgia.**
- 4. First place in the Fayette County Math Bowl Team for 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Second place in the Math Bowl for 4<sup>th</sup> place.**
- 5. Six teachers are working toward National Board certification. (will be notified in Nov. 2005)**
- 6. Kedron Elementary School's Science Olympiad Team placed sixth in the Elementary State Science Olympiad Team competition held in May 2005.**