Graduation Rate for Buford City Schools Exceeds 92%

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September 19, 2019 – Buford High School's 92.6 percent graduation rate placed them in the top 23rd percentile in the 2019 Georgia Department of Education report, well above the state graduation rate of 82 percent.

 Buford City Schools is one of only 71 school districts that recorded graduation rates at or above 90 percent.

“The hard work at school and at home has paid off as our graduation rate continues to be among the highest in the state at 92.6%, well above the state average. We have consistently put programs in place to identify and support those students that need support in reaching graduation,” Buford City Schools Superintendent Dr. Robert Downs said. “Last year the district had the highest Advanced Placement and Milestones scores in Buford City Schools' history which also indicates the many successes happening in each classroom.”
How Georgia calculates its graduation rate
Georgia calculates a four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate as required by federal law. This rate is:

• The number of students who graduate in four years with a regular high school diploma, divided by
• The number of students who form the adjusted cohort for the graduating class

Adjusted Cohort Rate Definition: From the beginning of ninth grade, students who are entering that grade for the first time form a cohort that is subsequently adjusted by adding any students who transfer into the cohort during the next three years, and subtracting any students who transfer out.