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## **Greene County BOE named a Quality Board by Ga. School Boards Association**

December 8, 2014 – The Greene County Board of Education was named a 2014 Quality Board by the Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) last week during the GSBA's Annual Winter Conference.

The recognition program was designed to showcase best practices in school governance and leadership. GSBA recognizes good school board governance to foster educational community cultures in order to advance student learning and achievement.

Greene County School Board met the criteria set forth by GSBA to earn this honor of a 2014 Quality Board. In order to become a Quality Board, school boards must meet the following criteria: have an adopted Strategic Plan in place that is being implemented; review the recommendations of the Vision for Public Education in Georgia: Equity and Excellence report; complete a self – assessment, using a Governance Team Self – Assessment Instrument; have an adopted Superintendent Evaluation model in place that reflects state requirements and incorporates the school district's Strategic Plan; school board members meet State Board of Education training requirements; and the school district is in compliance with all applicable accreditation agencies, such as SACS.

The GSBA Governance Team Recognition Program was developed by Georgia superintendents and board members based on the state board of education's standards for effective governance to recognize exemplary leadership. In 1998, GSBA was one of the first

school board associations in the nation to develop a program of standards for local boards of education.

This is the second consecutive year the Board of Education has received this distinguished honor. Being named a Quality Board allows the Board to apply next year to be a GSBA Distinguished Board, then a GSBA Exemplary Board the following year.

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