

**Hal Hutchens Elementary School**

**Improvement At a Glance**

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Hal Hutchens Elementary School was established in 2009. Hutchens is located in Douglasville, GA, which is approximately 20 miles west of downtown Atlanta. Our school serves about 600 students in grades kindergarten through fifth. Hutchens was recently recognized by the Georgia Superintendent of Schools, as a Family Friendly School. Hutchens is a Title I school known for its supportive learning environment and strong family engagement initiatives. Hal Hutchens is committed to preparing students with a solid academic foundation and providing opportunities that foster success, supporting the Paulding County School District’s Vision to Engage, Inspire, and Prepare.

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| **Mission** | **Vision** |
| Our mission is to ***B****uild an****E****nvironment of****E****xcellence and****S****uccess* | Our vision is for teachers, parents, students, and the community to work together to prepare students to become successful, life-long learners |
| **Accountability Goals** |
| ***Accountability Goal 1:*** *Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade scoring Beginning Learner on the ELA Georgia Milestones Assessment will decrease from 35% on the Spring 2025 administration to 30% on the Spring 2026 administration. \*The Students with Disabilities subgroup of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students scoring developing or higher on the Georgia Milestones ELA Assessment will increase from 17% on the Spring 2025 administration to 20% on the Spring 2026 administration.****Accountability Goal 2:*** *Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade scoring Developing Learner on the Math Georgia Milestones Assessment will decrease from 39% on the Spring 2025 administration to 34%, on the Spring 2026 administration, moving students into Proficient or above. \*The SWD subgroup of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students scoring developing or higher on the Georgia Milestones Mathematics Assessment will increase from 21% to 24% by Spring 2026.* |

**Beliefs**

Hal Hutchens Elementary School believes that every child can learn and succeed when provided with a safe, supportive, and engaging environment. Guided by its mission to equip students with a strong academic foundation and its vision of preparing them for future success, the school emphasizes equitable access to learning, high expectations for all, and the importance of collaboration among educators, families, and the community. Instruction is designed to meet students’ individual needs, foster curiosity and critical thinking, and cultivate the social and emotional skills necessary for lifelong learning.

**Demographics**

Hutchens Elementary School serves approximately 600 students in grades kindergarten through fifth. The school maintains a

diverse student population, with approximately 40% African American, 33% White, 18% Hispanic, and 9% identifying as two or more races. This diverse demographic profile informs the school’s instructional practices and family engagement efforts, ensuring that all students are provided with equitable opportunities to learn and succeed.

**Honors/Awards/Certifications**

* Family Friendly Partnership School Award – FY25
* GaDOE Certificate of Recognition: Ready Georgia Seal of Preparedness Award – FY25
* John Hancock Banner Proficiency Ribbon – FY25