What is the Georgia Student Growth Model?

The Georgia Student Growth Model (GSGM) is an exciting initiative designed to provide students, parents, educators, and the public with important information on student progress. Academic achievement only tells part of the story. The addition of student growth tells a more complete story about the academic performance of students. The GSGM provides important information on how well all students are progressing – whether or not they are currently meeting or exceeding academic expectations.

What are SGPs?

Student growth percentiles (SGPs) describe the amount of growth a student has demonstrated relative to academically-similar students from across the state. Growth percentiles range from 1 to 99, with lower percentiles indicating lower academic growth and higher percentiles indicating higher academic growth. With SGPs, all students – regardless of their prior achievement level – have the opportunity to demonstrate all levels of growth.

What Do I Need to Know?

• Students are compared to other students across Georgia with the same achievement history.
• Growth percentiles range from 1 to 99, with lower percentiles indicating lower academic growth and higher percentiles indicating higher academic growth.
• All students, regardless of their prior achievement level, have the opportunity to demonstrate all levels of growth.
• SGPs are utilized as one of multiple indicators in the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) and the Teacher and Leader Keys Effectiveness Systems (TKES and LKES).

Where can I learn more?

Check out our video and other great resources at gsgm.gadoe.org.