K-12 CARES Act Funding: $411 million to support Georgia’s Schools

At-risk student populations
supporting students with disabilities, English Learners, migrant students, homeless students, low-income students, children in foster care

Distance/Remote Learning – devices, hot spots; internet service; instructional packets/resources; online learning platforms

School Meals – preparing/delivering meals; costs for meals not covered by USDA; hazard pay; transportation costs

Mental and Physical Health – counseling; telehealth; school nursing; therapeutic services; wraparound supports; training

Supplemental Learning – extended learning schedules; remediation; before/after school programs; additional pay for teachers and mentors

Facilities and Equipment – deep cleaning buildings/buses; PPE (such as masks, gloves, disinfectants) and supplies; hazard pay

Professional Development – training for school leaders, teachers, and staff; extended PD days

Continuity of Core Staff and Services – restoring potential budget reductions; offsetting need to furlough school staff

Superintendent Woods is strongly committed to:

• Urgency & Access – Funds will be awarded to districts as quickly as possible so they can address pressing needs and conduct long-term planning
• Flexibility – GaDOE will make it as seamless as possible for districts to utilize these funds
• Equity – funds will be used to fill gaps in connectivity, food security, learning opportunities, and non-academic supports with an emphasis on meeting the needs of Georgia’s most struggling students
• Transparency – GaDOE will collect and report on how districts draw down and spend their funding across the CARES Act categories