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Nancy Creek School receives health award

Henry Hicks, second from right, principal of Nancy Creek School in DeKalb County, holds a plaque presented to his school by State School Superintendent Werner Rogers at the January meeting of the Georgia Board of Education in Atlanta. The plaque represents the board's Award

of Excellence in Health Education. Also at the ceremony was Ruel Morrison, left, assistant superintendent for elementary education in DeKalb County and Billy Gober, elementary physical and health education consultant for DeKalb County.

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Nancy Creek Elementary School has been named
a School of Excellence by the DeKalb County School

System. Henry Hicks, principal at the school for 11 years, said the school's ability to meet the needs of a diverse student body was a decisive factor in the recognition.

"At one end of the continuum are those students who are very capable, who have had exception and enriching home experiences. Many of these are enrolled in our gifted program. On the opposite end are those students who speak no English, who have had few enriching experiences and who find academic achievement very difficult."

According to Mr. Hicks, the school is now 58 percent white, 24 percent black, 15 percent Asian and three percent Hispanic. The school is eligible to be named as a Georgia School of Excellence.

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