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Dear Friend of the University System:

This sixteenth edition of the Information Digest is designed to increase your knowledge and enhance your understanding of the University System of Georgia. The information contained here answers some of the most frequently asked questions about where we currently stand in our efforts to educate our citizens, conduct research, and provide public service, all directed toward Creating a More Educated Georgia.

Our 34 institutions will grow to 35 this year with the opening of Georgia Gwinnett College in the fall. All of our institutions are growing individually as well, either in enrollment, retention and graduation rates, delivery of programs, research, or in any number of our other important activities. We believe the information contained here will make you proud of the state of public higher education in Georgia. We have accomplished so much yet always discover new challenges. We look forward to your support as we face those challenges together with confidence and creativity.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or suggestions for future editions of the Information Digest.

Sincerely,

Erroll B. Davis, Jr.
Chancellor
Preface and Acknowledgments

Sixteenth Edition

The purpose of the Digest is to provide summary information on the various activities of the University System and reliable statistical data over time. Users needing more specific information are directed to the original sources cited on each page. The choice of contents and the accuracy of translation from the original documents are the responsibility of the editors.

The data are presented using the structure of the University System at the time the reports were created. In most cases, data represent Fiscal Year 2004 through Fiscal Year 2006. We have used the most current data available for each report. However, data become old quickly. We also invite you to visit our web pages at and http://www.usg.edu/sra/ and http://info.usg.edu for more current information.

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