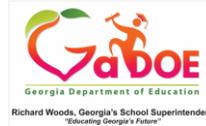


Spring 2017 Webinars Sponsored By: School Counseling Division @ GA Dept. of Education



Mark your calendar now for the Spring 2017 webinars to be sponsored by the School Counseling Division at the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE). Click "Register" to register for the webinar. Webinar descriptions are located on next few pages. All webinars will be recorded and posted on the GaDOE's website a few days after it airs live. All registered participants will receive an email with the link to access webinars when it has been posted to website. Click [here](#) to access webinar recordings and presentations from 2015 to present.

***Counselors the KEY to connecting students to the World of Work**

Jan. 11, 2017, 1:00 PM

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***Move on When Ready...General Information**

Jan. 18, 2017, 1:00 PM

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Understanding the ABCs and 123s of Education: RTI, ESSA, CCRPI, 504, PBIS etc.

Jan. 25, 2017, 1:00 PM

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***The Culturally Competent Counselor**

Feb. 1, 2017, 1:00 PM

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***Show Me the Money**

Feb. 9, 2017, 1:00 PM

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***Data Equity in Advanced Placement Classes and Move On When Ready**

Feb. 22, 2017, 11:00 AM

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***Using Books to Spark Your School Counseling Program**

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***Supporting Your Military Children**

March 15, 2017, 1:00 PM

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***Taming the Social Media Monster**

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2017-2018: What School Counseling Initiatives are In-Store for Georgia School Counselors

May 3, 2017, 1:00 PM

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Please note additional webinars are being scheduled to help you with the work you do with students in terms of career development. Stay Tuned...

*Guest Panelists Presenting

Webinars provide great information that school counselors can use to enhance their school counseling program. School counselors will be able to use information gained to create an action plan of how the information shared via the webinar can be incorporated into their school counseling program. PLUs are no longer required for certification renewal, but beginning in July 2017, the new certificate renewal system will require job-embedded learning as outlined in the educator's professional learning goals or professional learning plan that will be developed with administrators input. Information gained from participating in the webinars can be incorporated into the goals/plan set forth for job-embedded learning.

Spring 2017 Webinar Descriptions

Jan. 11: Counselors the KEY to connecting students to the World of Work - This session will address the role of the school counselor in identifying, advising, and placing students in a work-based learning program. By expanding the walls of the classroom, work-based learning offers students the opportunity to gain skills in a work place setting to enhance students' academic and future career goals ensuring Georgia's students are college AND career ready.

Jan. 18: Move on When Ready...General Information – This webinar will share general and updated information with school counselors about the MOWR Program. As a reminder, February 1 is the date that students and parents in grades 8-11 should be made aware of MOWR opportunities.

Jan. 25: Understanding the ABCs and 123s of Education: RTI, ESSA, CCRPI, 504, etc. – Oftentimes we hear the educational jargon and don't quite understand it all and what it means for us. This webinar will focus on some of the most prominent jargon and will provide best practices and strategies on how this jargon can be implemented in our school counseling program.

Feb. 1: The Culturally Competent Counselor - How does the cultural responsiveness and competence of school counselors and college access professionals drive successful College and Career Readiness (CCR) outcomes of underserved youth? What CCR strategies are successful and effective when counseling/advising underserved youth? This webinar will address these questions and provide strategies on how school counselors can set a path forward for addressing the unique needs of specific populations of students, particularly students that have been historically underserved.

Feb. 9: Show Me the Money – February is Financial Aid Awareness Month. This webinar will share a five-step process in helping students obtain scholarships to help pay for their college expenses. How to identify students in need, giving students and parents good scholarship resources, understanding the financial aid game, developing relationships with potential sponsors and training teachers and coaches on how they can assist in this process are a few of the topics to be discussed.

Feb. 22: Data Equity in Advanced Placement Classes and Move on When Ready: Is your high school ahead of the curve or behind the 8-ball in expanding college opportunities for your students of color and low-income students? The webinar will address how your school can use the MOWR Program to decrease inequities and opportunity gaps, ways to evaluate your program, explore opportunities for change, have a culturally courageous conversation and how to become a change agent.

Feb. 22: Using Books to Spark Your School Counseling Program – This webinar will provide examples of the innovative use of books and readings in small group settings, parent and community enrichment opportunities, and classroom counseling lessons. Utilizing books can be an effective tool in various settings as a counselor. Book clubs can lead to improved reading scores and improved social skills and are a fun and easy way to conduct small groups.

March 15: Supporting Your Military Children - When military parents are mobilized, their kids' lives are turned upside down. They experience increased levels of stress and potential separation anxiety. They are in need of heightened understanding and support from caring adults /youth in their schools, afterschool programs, and the community where they spend a large portion of their day. This webinar will focus on military culture, deployment cycle, the issues that military families face during deployment and best practices on how the school community can support the military youth and their families.

March 22: Taming the Social Media Monster - Social media is everywhere, and the school counseling world is no different. Focus on social media as it relates to our role as school counselors. Learn about trends, social media statistics and popular apps. Discover how to manage your own social media activities. Learn valuable information to share in faculty trainings and parent information sessions.

May 3: 2017-2018: What School Counseling Initiatives are In-Store for Georgia School Counselors – From the rollout of the Counseling Companion Database to the framework for the Georgia Model Comprehensive School Counseling Plan, find out what's in-store school counselors throughout the state. Don't be the last to know.