



# The Pickens County World Language Fall Forum



Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

8:30am – 12:00pm

**#GWLFF18**

## Check-In and Registration

**8:00-8:30 AM**      **Breakfast Coffee and Snacks sponsored by ACIS – Cafeteria at Pickens County HS**

**8:30 AM**      **Welcome to the Pickens County WL Fall Forum (Media Center)**

Opening Remarks – Mr. Patrick Wallace  
Welcome to Pickens County  
Welcome to Pickens County HS - Mr. Chris Wallace  
PCHS World Languages – Mrs. Elizabeth Perez  
Educational Travel by ACIS – Mrs. Tricia Holda  
An Update on World Language Programs in Georgia – Mr. Patrick Wallace

**9:15 AM**      **Break / Vendor time in Cafeteria of Pickens County HS**

**9:30 AM – 10:20 AM**      **1<sup>st</sup> round Morning Sessions**

**Session Room A -**      **Reconnecting High School and College**

**Presenter:** **Dr. Luc Guglielmi**, French Program Director at Kennesaw State U.

**Description:** This hands-on presentation will focus on sharing tools related to connecting K-12 and university language programs. It will give concrete tools (e.g., study abroad, connecting native speakers, summer language program, apps, careers, recruitment) and present activities carried out in high school contexts to promote language study in a K-16 environment.

**Session Room B -**      **What's in a language?**

**Presenter:** **Mrs. Nury Crawford** – Gwinnett County Schools/Author

**Description:** A short personal and informational session of the importance of a language. The power of language and how to support native speakers of other languages.

**Session Room C -**      **ACIS Educational Travel – How to bring the world into your classroom**

**Presenter:** **Mrs. Tricia Holda**

**Description:** An interactive presentation based on an exchange of ideas, free global curriculum enhancers and lesson plans for language teachers, virtual tourism activities and creative tips and tricks for easily and effectively bringing the world to your students. Print and video materials will be shared.

## 10:30 AM – 11:20 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of Morning Sessions

### Session Room A - **Keys to 21st Century Language Learning: Research and Practice**

**Presenter:** Mrs. Allison Webb & Dr. Brian Olovson – Kennesaw State University

**Description:** The session will present key updates to instructional practice based on recent research in second language acquisition and the updated ACTFL standards (2017). The session will feature practical examples, templates, and an interactive format. Teachers will be encouraged to reflect on their practice and brainstorm applications for their own classrooms. Topics include designing tasks, using authentic texts and contexts, and building intercultural competence.

### Session Room B - **Establishing and Running a Volunteer-Led ESL Program at School**

**Presenter:** Dr. Julia Barnes – Berry College

**Description:** Two directors of Berry College's ESL program discuss the successes and challenges of establishing and running a volunteer-led ESL program at its 10-year anniversary. We discuss best practices and the ever-evolving challenges. We also discuss the unanticipated ripple effects that reach well beyond our small academic community. This session is for teachers interested in creating a similar program at school or who have already done so and would like to compare notes

### Session Room C - **ACIS Educational Travel In-Depth**

**Presenter:** Mrs. Tricia Holda

**Description:** Drop in and get to know more about ACIS and their travel programs and how you can make them work for YOU through an interactive Q&A session.

### Session Room D - **Enjoy using differentiation in your classroom**

**Presenter:** Mrs. Alexandra Flowers

**Description:** Differentiation is a very important tool in our classroom. It does not have to be a nightmare for the teachers. You can differentiate every day, have fun with your students, and see them learning faster. Effective differentiation activities and strategies will be shared.

## 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM Closing Group Discussion in the Media Center

**GaDOE Certificates of attendance will be available at the Registration desk for pick up anytime after 2pm.**