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Happy New Year!

We will host the next Directors' Webinar on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 @ 1:00 pm. Please use the following registration link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4165888321260772097>. This month's webinar will include presentations from Dr. Emily Graybill, Georgia State University, and Paula Poulicek, Division for Career, Technical and Agricultural Education. Dr. Graybill will discuss Universal Screening for Mental Health available through the Project AWARE Grant. Ms. Poulicek will share the basics of Career Technical Instruction (CTI), as well as, information about implementing the CTI program. Directors are encouraged to share the registration link for the webinar with other personnel, as appropriate.

We encourage you to share with your teachers the presentation slides from the December 19th webinar on Instructional Support for Student with Significant Cognitive Disabilities. Contact Crystal Callaway, ccallaway@doe.k12.ga.us for any additional question(s) or concern(s).

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Georgia's Tiered System of Supports for Students Announcements:

National Expert, Dr. Tessie Rose Bailey, American Institutes Research, is scheduled to present a full day session on MTSS: Progress Monitoring. Schools and districts are invited to take advantage of this learning opportunity and are encouraged to bring teams to participate.

Registration is Now Open for Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS): Progress Monitoring!. The one day trainings will take place on January 14 OR January 15, 2019. Visit our website at <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Special-Education-Services/Pages/TieredSystemofSupports.aspx> to register your team.

Significant Disproportionality:

We are excited to announce that there is now leveled support for significant disproportionality available to Georgia school districts. **Level 1 Support: Prevention**, **Level 2 Support: Intervention**, and **Level 3 Support: Reflection**. At each level, support will be provided using different strategies designed to help school districts address disproportionality in a way that is most appropriate and effective for them. An abridged version of Level 1 Support: Prevention was facilitated at Fall 2018 G-CASE on November 15th, and the comprehensive session will be facilitated in January.

The link to register for upcoming Level 1 Support: Prevention is available here: <https://form.jotform.com/gadoespeciald/dispro-support>

There are more details about leveled support to come. Stay tuned!

GIMC Updates:

Annual APH Registration will open on Monday, January 7, 2019. The criteria for registering a student and using quota funds are below:

1) Be enrolled in an education program on the first Monday of the year;

- 2) Be legally blind or functioning at the definition of blind; and
- 3) Have consent on file at the GIMC to release registration information.

Attachment titles that were included with the January 4 Email Blast.

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