

Georgia Department of Education Georgia Parent Mentor Partnership (GaPMP)



FAQs for the FY21GaPMP

Welcome!

Upon approval of grant awards by the State Board in July, your district will receive the parent mentor grant. We look forward to supporting you as you develop or redefine activities to engage families in the effort to build better outcomes for all students.

How is the GaPMP organized?

The Ga Parent Mentor Partnership is entering its 19th year! In 2002, we started with 5 school districts hiring a parent mentor. For FY20, there are 90 school districts participating in the Parent Mentor Partnership with nearly 100 parent mentors. Districts with more than 4,000 students on Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) qualify for funding to hire a second Parent Mentor.

Anne Ladd and Sharon Jones, the **Family Engagement Specialists** for the Division for Special Education Services and Supports, coordinate the statewide activities of the GaPMP. A **Parent Mentor Partnership Council** with an 18-member leadership team assists in strategic planning and guiding the work. The council includes three administrators as advisors.

What training opportunities does the GaPMP provide?

GaPMP New Mentor Orientation (Rookie Training) 19th Annual Kickoff Conference Regional Meetings GaPMP University Drive-In Data Coaching Online Learning Modules Webinars August September Quarterly TBA Ongoing by phone Website *Learning Curve* Live & Recorded

Will I get support in training my new parent mentor?

As soon as you hire and your parent mentor starts work, it is important that you notify Anne Ladd <u>aladd@doe.k12.ga.us</u> or Sharon Jones <u>sjones@doe.k12.ga.us</u> and they will provide important information for getting started.