## Fy23 Special Education and School-based Administrator Academy Webinar Series

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| July 27    | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | **Kick Off and Welcome**  
- **Special Education Leadership Support**  
  **Description:** Take a look at a day in the life of a special education teacher and learn what support is needed from you.  
  **Presenters:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | [Recorded Webinar](#) |
| August 10  | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | **Special Education Law 101**  
**Description:** Hear the basics and the most important aspects of the fast-changing world of special education law.  
**Presenter:** Jamila Pollard, Senior Program Manager for Dispute Resolution  
**UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab Demo- Classroom Management**  
**Facilitators:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | [Recorded Webinar](#) |
| August 11  | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **Parental Rights, Complaints, and Due Process**  
**Description:** This is an overview of parental rights and due process. Learn how to avoid conflict and gain an understanding of administrator, school, and district responsibilities.  
**Presenter:** Jamila Pollard, Senior Program Manager Dispute Resolution | [Recorded Webinar](#) |
| August 31  | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **MTSS, SST and Intensive Interventions**  
**Description:** Learn about the overall Multi-Tiered System of Supports and Student Support Teams processes and examine intensive interventions used at various tiers. How does all this fit together with special education?  
**Presenter:** Karen Suddeth, Program Manager MTSS | [Recorded Webinar](#) |
| Sept 7     | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | **Areas of Eligibility**  
**Description:** An overview of federal regulations and state rules for special education eligibility in the state of Georgia.  
**Presenter:** Alisha Williamson, Program Specialist and Alicia Mercer, Program Specialist  
**Assessment and GAA**  
**Description:** Learn the aspects of assessment and the role of the IEP team. | [Recorded Webinar](#) |
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| Sept 14    | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | • Being the Instructional Leader for Special Education  
**Description:** Learn what being an instructional leader for special education entails and best practices for improving achievement for SWD. How’s SWD achievement in your building? What are you doing to be a change agent? What are you looking for on walkthroughs? How do you know students are learning? How do you know teachers are growing? How do IEP, SDI, HLP, AT, and accommodations and modifications impact instruction?  
**Presenters:** Annette Murphy, Executive Coach for the Teacher Provider Retention Program, GaDOE and Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach, GaDOE | Recorded Webinar                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
| Sept 21    | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | • Special Education Discipline and Positive, Proactive Approaches  
**Description:** Learn about administering discipline, ISS/OSS for SWDs, bus suspensions, manifestation determinations, alternative settings, rights and protections of the student and staff, supporting teachers dealing with behaviors in the classroom, whole-school behavior strategies, and tiered behavioral interventions.  
**Presenters:** Jamila Pollard, Senior Program Manager for Dispute Resolution and Bridget Still, RDA Program Specialist | Recorded Webinar                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
| Sept 27    | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | • UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab- Classroom Management  
**Facilitators:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | Sign up with your executive coach                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
| Sept 27    | 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  | • UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab- Classroom Management  
**Facilitators:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | Sign up with your executive coach                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
| Sept 30    | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | • UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab- Special education teacher that is teacher burnout and retention  
**Facilitators:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | Sign up with your executive coach                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
| Sept. 30   | 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  | • UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab- Special education teacher burnout and retention  
**Facilitators:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | Sign up with your executive coach                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
| October 20 | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | • Co-Teaching- Part 1  
**Description:** How to get your teams working together for student success. How to ensure teachers are providing appropriate co-teaching segments, co-teaching models, building solid co-teaching teams, effective co-teaching practices.  
**Presenters:** Yyanisha Bass-Bonner, Program Specialist and Kim Bennett, Coastal GLRS Director  
• UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Labs for Co-Teaching Meeting Mediation  
**Facilitators:** Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach | SESAA: Co-Teaching Part 1 - GaDOE Community                                                             |                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                 |
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| October 21 | 10:00 a.m. | Virtual                  | Co-Teaching- Part 2  
**Description:** How to get your teams working together for student success. Learn how to ensure teachers are providing appropriate co-teaching segments, co-teaching models, building solid co-teaching teams, and effective co-teaching practices. Learn how to monitor success in co-taught and small group classrooms.  
**Presenters:** Yyanisha Bass-Bonner Program Specialist and Kim Bennett, Coastal GLRS Director |                                                                                       |
| Nov. 2     | 10:00 a.m. | Virtual                  | State Defined Alternate Diploma and Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities and Autism  
**Description:** Gain an understanding of the State Defined Alternate Diploma requirements and guidelines and explore guidance and services for students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities.  
**Presenter:** Anne Myers, Program Specialist for Intellectual Disabilities and GAA and Flo Bray, Program Specialist; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach |                                                        |
| Nov. 9     | 10:00 a.m. | Virtual                  | ESOL/SWD Dually Identified and Served Students  
**Description:** Guidelines for identification of and best practices for serving students identified as both English Spoken as Other Language and Students with Disabilities.  
**Presenters:** Noel Wilkinson, GaDOE ESOL Program Specialist and Alisha Williamson ESOL/SWD Program Specialist |                                                        |
| Dec. 7     | 10:00 a.m. | Virtual                  | Special Education Determinations and Disproportionality  
**Description:** Learn how the building leader can impacts determinations and disproportionality reports.  
**Speakers:** Bridgett Still, GaDOE RDA Program Specialist and Alicia Mercer, Program Specialist |                                                        |
| Jan. 11    | 10:00 a.m. | Virtual                  | Best Practices from the Field for the School-based Administrator  
**Description:** A panel of current and former building administrators will field questions and offer their wisdom and best practices for navigating the special education responsibilities of the job.  
**Panelists:** Derrick Butler, Principal of Islands High School in Savannah/Chatham; Dr. Elizabeth Anderson, former Principal of Swain Elementary; Jeffrey Castle, District Effectiveness Specialist with GaDOE; Steve Jones, Executive Officer of School Improvement in Bibb County. |                                                        |
| Jan. 26    | 9:00 AM    | In Person and Virtual GaDOE | Master Scheduling Workshop  
**Description:** Session 1- Learn about FTE basics, balancing funding, and services, least restrictive environment, and class size.  
Session 2- What opportunities do we have with CTAE and CTI? How can proper scheduling in these programs assist in increasing graduation rates for SWD?  
Session 3- Hear a district’s journey to the practical use of Master Scheduling Parts 1 and 2, and how they were able to put special programs at the forefront of their scheduling process, which led to improved outcomes and increased funding for the district. | For in person training, sign up with your executive coach.  
For virtual training: SESAA: Master Scheduling for |
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| Feb. 22    | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **What it means to be the LEA in IEP meetings**  
Description: How to facilitate a cooperative and collaborative IEP meeting.  
Facilitators: Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach |                                                                  | SESAA: What it Means to be an LEA in an IEP Meeting - GaDOE Community | Sign up with your executive coach |
| Feb. 23    | Virtual 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. | **UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab- Teacher needs assistance in writing an IEP**  
Facilitators: Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach |                                                                  | SESAA: AT and Accessible Educational Materials - GaDOE Community | Sign up with your executive coach |
| Feb. 23    | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **UWGLive Mixed Reality Avatar Lab- Addressing Guardian Concerns with IEP**  
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| March 8    | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **School-Based Administrators’ Impact on the Academic Success of Students with Disabilities Part 1**  
Description: Explore Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) and the IEP  
Presenters: Kathy Johnson, Independent Consultant for GaDOE and NEW Instructional Program Specialist |                                                                  | SESAA: School-based Administrators' Impact on SWD Success - GaDOE Community | |
| March 22   | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **Assistive Technology and Accessible Educational Materials**  
Description: AT overview and examine the school administrator’s role and responsibility with AT.  
Presenters: Paula Gumpman, AT Program Specialist and Carson Cochran, GaDOE Program Manager |                                                                  | SESAA: AT and Accessible Educational Materials - GaDOE Community | |
| March 29   | Virtual 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. | **School-Based Administrators’ Impact on the Success of Students with Disabilities Part 2**  
Description: Examine hot topics such as Evidence-based Interventions, High Leverage Practices (HLPs), Fidelity of Implementation, Universal Design for Learning (UDL), and Check and Connect. |                                                                  | SESAA: School-based Administrators' Impact on Success | |
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<td>April 19</td>
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<td><strong>Student Record</strong>&lt;br&gt;Description: What records impact special education data?**&lt;br&gt;**Presenters: Dawn Kemp, Data Manager</td>
<td>Presenters: Kathy Johnson, Educational Consultant; Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach; and Yyanisha Bass-Bonner, Instructional Program Specialist</td>
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<td>April 26</td>
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<td><strong>Final FY23 SESAA Celebration and Q&amp;A: Best Practices from Principals</strong>&lt;br&gt;**Presenters: Trace Vaughn, GaDOE Systemic Improvement Program Specialist; Bruce Potts, Executive Coach; and Debbie Reagin, Executive Coach</td>
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