Deputy Superintendent's Corner

School and District Improvement in Georgia

RESOURCES ROUNDUP

Spring is in the air, which, as school and district leaders know, translates to test-prep central. While preparing students for the Georgia Milestones assessments, we must also consider planning for the next school year. Many of you are well into the Continuous Improvement Cycle for this service year, and it is our goal and privilege to partner with you on educating Georgia's future.

Working together to improve learning outcomes is a win for our students, families, and communities. Collaboration within your district and around the state is an effective strategy for moving the needle in the right direction. Reducing variability is challenging work, but you can do it. We are committed to helping you every step of the way.

Thank you all for providing opportunities for optimal learning experiences to ensure positive impacts on all students. We encourage you to utilize all the support and tools the Georgia Department of Education offers.

Please enjoy this quarter's interactive newsletter, where we have curated resources offered across agency divisions specifically for you. When used with the School and District Improvement (SDI) process guides and Georgia's Systems of Continuous Improvement, we are confident that your schools and districts will yield growth and positive results.

Dr. Stephanie Johnson
Deputy Superintendent, Chief Turnaround Officer

GaDOE Supports

ESOL Resources, Tools, and PL

GaDOE English to Speakers of Other Languages Webpage

Classroom Conversation Podcast: Excellence for ELs

District's Guide to Supporting EL Language Programs

ELP Screener—Provides LEAs with immediate information regarding transfer students' EL status, qualifying date, and scores.

Georgia Student Growth Model for English Language Proficiency

WIDA Self-paced Workshops

WIDA Resources

WIDA-Facilitated Live eWorkshops

SPED Resources, Tools, and PL

Special Education Services and Supports Webpage

Assistive Technology

High-Leverage Practices

Special Education PL

School Completion Toolkit—Provides links to state and national resources, including successful practices from LEAs across the state, aimed at improving outcomes for all students, including students with disabilities.

Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) Resources

GaDOE Supports
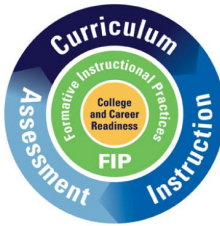
Assessment Resources, Tools, and PL

Testing/Assessment Webpage

Accountability Webpage

Testing Resources

Understanding Assessment PL Series

DRC BEACON—Computer adaptive, formative, interim assessment system administered in ELA and math in grades 3-8.

Georgia Formative Instructional Practices (FIP) PL — Assists educators in learning about formative instructional practices and using them to improve teaching and student learning.

Assessment Updates April 2023

Keenville—Innovative, developmentally appropriate game-based approach to reading and math formative assessment for grades 1-2.

TestPad—Develop formative and summative assessments aligned to the state-adopted content standards to inform daily instruction.

GKIDS 2.0 and Readiness Check—Progression-based formative assessment, integrated into classroom work and aligned to the Georgia Standards of Excellence, provides information about kindergarten students' skills.

ACCESS for ELLs and Alternative ACCESS

GAA 2.0—Measures the degree to which students with significant cognitive disabilities have mastered alternate achievement standards in the core content areas of ELA, math, science, and social studies.

Georgia Milestones—Provides information about how well students are mastering the state-adopted content standards in the core content areas of ELA, math, science, and social studies.

CCRPI

2023 Beyond the Core Course Guidance

Digital Media Platforms, Repositories, and Dashboards

GaConnects—Provides access to GaDOE learning resources, standards, data, and professional learning opportunities.

Inspire—Repository of curriculum content in an organized layout for easy navigation.

SuitCASE—Engage with learning standards in the digital environment.

Georgia Home Classroom—Lesson plans aligned to the GSE and produced by Georgia teachers.
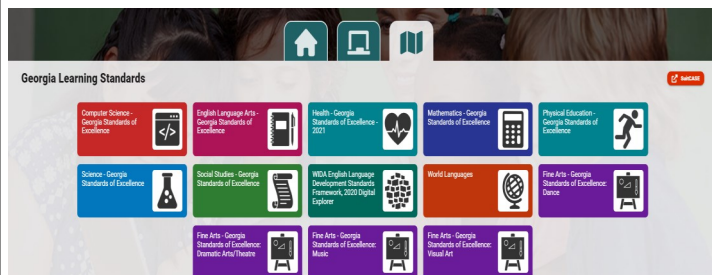
Georgia Virtual Learning Shared Resources

Georgia Insights—Provides data in a streamlined, usable, and helpful manner to assist with data-informed decision-making.

SLDS Updates–March 2023

Georgia Learns—GaDOE's professional learning platform for school and district staff and education partners in Georgia.

GaDOE Community—Connecting GaDOE teams, school and district staff, RESAs and other partners around the state to share important information, discuss ongoing work, and share success stories in continuing and meaningful collaboration.

GaDOE Supports

Instructional Resources, Tools, and PL

Classroom Conversations Podcast

Let's Learn GA! - Model Lessons

Let's Learn GA! - Getting Ready Guides

What's Your Story? ELA Podcast Series

Georgia Numeracy Project—Instructional Resources Exchange

GaDOE Math Curriculum Resources

Teacher Tools for Integrating Technology

Lexile Resources

Personalized Learning Resources

Teacher Chat Vodcasts

Get Georgia Reading Resources

Structured Literacy Resources K-3

Integrating Reading, Writing, and Science- Videos
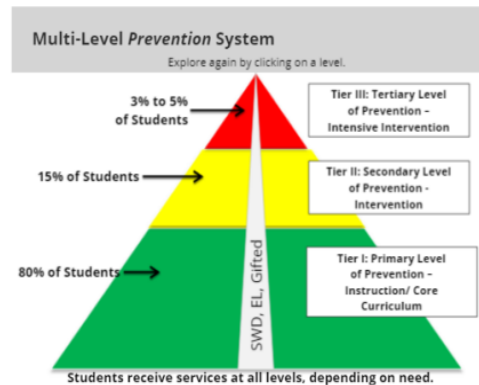
Integrating SS and ELA– Videos

Science Updates– January 2023

Everyday Inquiry in SS video series

Whole Child Resources, Tools, and PL

Whole Child Toolkit

School-Based Health Centers

Georgia's MTSS

Georgia's Tiered System of Supports (GaTSS) Cohort Awareness Recorded Webinar

Health Barriers to Learning and Development Resource Toolkit

The School Nurse Exchange

School Safety Resource Center

Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency School Safety Training

Crisis Response and Prevention Resources

Remedial Education Program

Georgia PBIS Implementation Process Guide

Child Abuse Prevention Toolkit

Georgia Education Leaders Positive Learning Climate Video Series

Farm to School Resources

GaDOE Supports

Leader and Educator Development Resources, Tools, and PL

Georgia's Career Pipeline

Educator Pipeline Dashboard for Leaders

Educator Pipeline Dashboard for Teachers

GaDOE Leader Induction Guidance

GaDOE Teacher Induction Guidance

Georgia's Tiered System of Supports and High Leverage Practices for Induction Teachers Professional Learning Series

3-2-1...Lead Principal Matters Podcast

Resources for New Principals

Growing and Sustaining Teacher Leaders Georgia Learns Course

GaDOE Recorded Webinars for Teacher and Leader Support and Development

Learning Forward: The Professional Learning Association Resources

GaPSC - P-20 Regional Collaboratives

EAP Wellness Series: Healthy and Balanced Life

Federal Programs Update – April 2023

Academy of New Federal Program Leaders

Training, Events, and Conferences

Elevate, Enrich, and Enhance EL Programs: Munch and Learn PL Series

Special Education and the School Administrator Academy PL Series

Georgia's Specially Designed Instruction PL Series

Digital ToolTime: How to Use Free Tech Tools

Let's Talk Math, GA! - Monthly Updates

Mental Health and Wellness Resources

Book Study: Protecting Student Data Privacy, Thursdays 9:30-10:15 a.m., April 13-May 11

Getting Ready for GaDOE Inspire, May 3, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Georgia Home Classroom: Learning Plans and Instructional Videos, May 4, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Improving Outcomes Session 5: Data Analysis, May 17, 9-10 a.m.

Georgia School Safety and Homeland Security Conference June 19-21, Athens

MathCON Summer Conference, July 11-13, 2023

Georgia Virtual Professional Learning Course Catalog

The Governor's Office of Student Achievement Educator PL Opportunities

SDI Resources, Tools, and PL

Georgia's Systems of Continuous Improvement

Georgia's Systems of Continuous Improvement (GSCI) framework focuses on the systems and structures (the "what") that must be in place for sustained improvement in student outcomes. It also utilizes a problem-solving model (the "how") to provide a straightforward process for identifying needs, planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating improvement efforts. We use the GSCI to guide our work as we support effective leadership using process guides that support the work of school and district improvement (data-driven decision-making, leadership teams, collaborative planning, and high school graduation toolkit).

School Improvement Funds

Federally identified schools receive funding through the Office of School and District Improvement to support the implementation of evidence-based practices focused on improving student academic outcomes. Visit our funding webpage for more information about School Improvement Grants.

School and District Improvement Listserv

We share news through our Office of School and District Improvement listserv. Join today! We provide timely information to subscribers, including professional learning opportunities, resources, quarterly newsletters, conference information, grant opportunities, and other statewide school improvement information.

To join, send a blank email to join-schoolimprovement@list.doe.k12.ga.us.

GaDOE Community

We invite all district and school leaders to join the Office of School and District Improvement Community!

Step 1: Register

Visit community.gadoe.org, and create an account using your professional, work-provided email.

Step 2: Complete Profile

After your initial login, complete your user profile so others can connect with you.

ILC 2023

The 2023 Instructional Leadership Conference occurred from February 28—March 1, 2023, at the Macon Marriott. Over 450 school and district leaders attended this two-day professional learning event that included tiered breakout sessions, a Q&A panel, and a powerful keynote address. Thank you to all the presenters and staff for making this year's conference a huge success! Conference presentations and handouts are here for your reference. Plenary Day 1 Plenary Day 2

Professional Learning Events

Upcoming virtual webinars, in-person events, on-demand content, and by-request workshop opportunities are available at
https://community.gadoe.org/events.

Visit the SDI website for more information and helpful resources and follow us on Twitter.

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