



The RESA Reporter

Griffin RESA Newsletter

March - April 2022



Note from the Executive Director

Spring is almost here and we are excited to launch several new initiatives to provide service to our regional school systems in the South Metro Region. Griffin RESA is pleased to announce:

- Our annual program, called Pre-TAPP, for those individuals who are interested in teaching but have not yet secured a contracted teaching position. After completing the summer coursework, a list of eligible candidates will be provided to our school systems that may have vacancies for the 2022-23 school year in the participant's field of study. To qualify for this program, participants must meet the eligibility requirements listed on our website at www.griffinresa.net. Once on the website, please click on the 7th burgundy box entitled "Teacher Recruitment/TAPP."
- A new collaboration of Assistant Principals entitled "Assistant Principal (AP) Alliance" to support our school leaders who are Assistant Principals. The Facilitators for the Assistant Principal (AP) Alliance are Dr. Stephanie Gordy (*Executive Director of Griffin RESA*) and Mr. Richard Warren (*Professional Learning & School Improvement Specialist*). They invite Assistant Principals to come network and learn from other Assistant Principals across our State. We will also have "Superstar" guest facilitators at future meetings who are currently senior leaders in our region and State who want to support you as we all grow together.
- Several of our Regional Student Competitions are underway. Results from recent competitions are included in this newsletter and we'll have more results in the next newsletter.
- The application window for our next APEL (*Alternative Preparation Program for Educational Leadership*) is going on with a May 1st deadline for those seeking leadership certification. Additional details are inside this newsletter.
- We are in the process of offering over 400 professional development classes each school year serving over 10,000 participants annually. Upcoming classes are in this newsletter and on our website at www.griffinresa.net. They are located under the 2nd burgundy box on the left entitled "Professional Learning" and the 3rd burgundy box on the left, entitled "Endorsements". We encourage you to check them out as all of our classes are hybrid so you can attend either "Face-to-Face" or "Virtually".

Take a peek into the newsletter for more information about all of the above services and MUCH MORE!

Dr. Stephanie L. Gordy
Executive Director

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2nd APEL Cohort

Alternative Preparation for Educational Leadership

Application Packet due by May 1, 2022

Griffin RESA’s Georgia Alternative Preparation for Educational Leadership (APEL) program is scheduled to begin in July 2022. APEL will offer a one year job embedded pathway for candidates seeking Tier I or Tier II Leadership certification. This program is designed for educators with a Master’s degree or higher who are looking for leadership certification-only (non-degree). APEL is designed to instruct, guide, and support employed leaders helping them build the confidence, skills, and presence needed to lead.

- **Tier I Certification:** Candidates must hold entry-level leadership positions, which include P-12 school level positions below the principal and system level positions that do not supervise principals.
- **Tier II Certification:** Candidates must hold advanced leadership positions, which include P-12 school level principals or the equivalent, superintendents, or other LUA staff who supervise principals. In addition to employment in a leadership position the candidate must already hold a level 5 or higher Standard Professional Educational Leadership Tier I certificate or a Standard Professional L-certificate in Educational Leadership Tier II.
- **Tier I and Tier II Certification:** Candidates must be recommended for admission by a local Unit of Administration (LUA) or employer that will verify employment and provide an assurance that the candidate will be available one-half day or more each day to work in a leadership position.

**For more information about Griffin RESA’s APEL program visit the *Leadership Development: Alternative Ed Leadership Certification Program* tab at www.griffinresa.net
Please email questions to professionallearning@griffinresa.net**



APRIL 2022 CLASS LIST

**Supporting All Students With Effective Interventions in Behavior,
Math & Literacy - Virtual Conference**

April 18 thru April 24, 2022: Online

Resume Writing & Interview Tips for Educators (Teacher Positions)

April 19 , 2022: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Surrogate Parent Training

April 21, 2022: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Assistant Technology Consortia

April 29, 2022: 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

For more information or to register, go to www.griffinresa.net.



Griffin RESA: AP Alliance

Griffin RESA is excited to host the Assistant Principal (AP) Alliance to support to our school leaders:

- Network with other Assistant Principals
- Leading Instruction through the pandemic
- Creating sustainable supports
- MTSS resources and strategies
- Ideas for supporting new teachers
- SEL for Teachers and Administrators
- Time Management Strategies
- Managing Stress
- Current Issues in Education
- School Climate and Culture
- Other Topics from the Group

 <p>March 29, 2022</p>	 <p>Hybrid: Zoom or In-Person</p>	 <p>10:30 am -12:00 pm</p>
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Build Cross-Regional Support Teams



Share Resources, Strategies, and Ideas with other AP's



Strengthen your skills by meeting with other school leaders.

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2nd Annual Effective Interventions Virtual Conference

At this virtual conference, educators will explore effective interventions to assist struggling students in the areas of literacy, math, and behavior. Presenters, through prerecorded breakout sessions, will share practices that result in improved outcomes for students, as teachers and leaders continue to strive to provide multi-tiered support for their diverse learners. Participants can work at their own pace over a week to access all the breakout sessions and download materials.

- **Session Strands**
 - Effective Math Interventions to Increase Student Success
 - Reading & Writing: Support for Students Who Struggle
 - Behavior Interventions that Work
 - Progress Monitoring & Support Services Across All Tiers



\$35



Register at:
www.griffinresa.net



April 18-24, 2022



Platform
Opens at
9:00 AM



Regional Certified Educator Job Fair

Who Should Attend?

- Certified Educators
- Those eligible for teaching certification for the 2022-2023 school year

What to Expect:

- Information about South Metro Suburban Region & Schools
- Meet staff and representatives from eight (8) South Metro Suburban School Systems representing 125+ schools and over 100,000 students

What to bring with you:

- ✓ At least 15 copies of a one-page resume to provide System Human Resources and School Reps

Date: Saturday, April 30, 2022
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm
Location: Luella High School
 603 Walker Drive
 Locust Grove, GA 30248

Pre-registration is required – link below:
[REGISTER HERE](#)

For more information contact Griffin RESA at (770-229-3247) or visit www.griffinresa.net

**Representatives from the Griffin RESA TAPP (Teacher Alternative Preparation Program) will also be on hand to answer questions for eligible participants. To check eligibility requirements, please visit www.griffinresa.net and click on "TAPP" and then click on "GA TAPP Program Info."



PIKE COUNTY SCHOOLS





Pre-Teacher Alternative Preparation Program (Pre-TAPP)



Griffin RESA is pleased to announce our annual program for individuals who are interested in teaching but have not yet secured a contracted teaching position.

June 6-17, 2022
OR
June 20-July 1, 2022
OR
July 11-22, 2022
8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.
(Participants only need to attend ONE session)

Location
Griffin RESA

Information/Questions
 Please contact the TAPP Coordinator,
 Griffin RESA at 770.229.3247 Ext 209 or
e-mail TAPP@griffinresa.net.

Registration Deadlines:
May 30, 2022 (for session #1)
June 13, 2022 (for session #2)
July 4, 2022 (for session #3)

**Pre-Teacher Alternative
Preparation Program (Pre-TAPP)**

- College Transcript – minimum four-year degree with a 2.5 GPA
- GACE I – Program Admissions
- GACE II – Content Assessment
- Application form available at www.griffinresa.net.
- Registration for the “Essentials of Effective Instruction” class at www.griffinresa.net (Go to Professional Learning, create a profile, and register for the class)

The tuition for the Pre-TAPP session is \$600.00 which includes all books and supplies. If Participants secure a contracted teaching position in one of our school systems, the \$600.00 will be applied to Year – 1 TAPP fees. After completing the summer Pre-TAPP Essentials course, a list of eligible candidates will be provided to our school systems that may have vacancies for the 2022-2023 school year in the field of study. Candidates who are interested in attending either session must have met the above criteria ten (10) calendar days prior to session.

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2022
13TH ANNUAL
SOUTH METRO
SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



2022
13th Annual
South Metro Summer
Leadership Conference



June 6 - 7, 2022

Hilton Peachtree City
Atlanta Hotel and
Conference Center

Peachtree City, Georgia

Conference Schedule



Monday, June 6

7:30 – 9:45 Registration and Check-In
 9:10 – 9:40 Continental Breakfast
 9:10 – 11:15 General Session I
 11:25 – 12:25 Concurrent Sessions A
 12:30 – 1:45 Plated Lunch
 2:00 – 3:00 Concurrent Sessions B
 3:00 – 3:30 Break/Sponsor Visits
 3:30 – 4:30 Concurrent Sessions C
 4:40 – 5:40 Concurrent Sessions D
 5:40 – 6:00 Break/Sponsor Visits
 6:00 Dinner and Entertainment

Tuesday, June 7

7:00 – 9:15 Continental Breakfast
 8:40 – 9:10 Break/Sponsor Visits
 9:15 – 10:45 General Session II
 11:00 – 12:30 General Session III
 12:30 – 1:45 Plated Lunch
 2:00 – 3:00 Concurrent Sessions E
 3:00 – 3:30 Break/Sponsor Visits
 3:30 – 4:30 Concurrent Sessions F

Register at:
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Session Schedule

The conference will consist of three informational general sessions and 24 breakout sessions embedded in four primary strands. General and specialty sessions will address topics of interest to:

- ◆ Elementary Administrators
- ◆ Middle School Administrators
- ◆ High School Administrators
- ◆ System-level Administrators
- ◆ Teacher Leaders
- ◆ Aspiring Leaders
- ◆ University Administrators

Primary Strands:

- Instructional Leadership
- School Climate
- Planning & Assessment
- Organizational Management
- HR Management
- Teacher/Staff Evaluation
- Professionalism
- Communication & Community Relations

- ◆ Registration fee includes Monday breakfast, Monday lunch, Monday evening dinner, Tuesday breakfast, and Tuesday lunch (5 Meals)
- ◆ Dynamic and engaging presenters
- ◆ Informative and interactive sessions emphasizing increased student achievement
- ◆ Proven research-based instructional strategies
- ◆ System/school planning time
- ◆ Excellent network opportunities to visit with educational leaders





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Griffin RESA Announcement
***Congratulations to the Winners of the Griffin RESA
2022 Regional Literacy Days Competition
(Grades 3-5 Winners)***

Poetry Recitation 3rd Grade Winners

First Place – Ella Burton, Heard Mixon ES, *Newton County Schools*
Second Place – Manav Rao, Flippen ES, *Henry County Schools*
Third Place – Harper Rickman, Inman ES, *Fayette County Schools*

Poetry Recitation 4th Grade Winners

First Place – Piper Kendrick, Cleveland ES, *Fayette County Schools*
Second Place – Hanna Daniels, Fairview ES, *Henry County Schools*
Third Place – Cyron Anthony, Moreland Road ES, *Griffin-Spalding County Schools*

Poetry Recitation 5th Grade Winners

First Place – Kennedy Moultrie, Kedron ES, *Fayette County Schools*
Second Place – Mackenzie Mobley, Rocky Creek ES, *Henry County Schools*
Third Place – Buruk Ykeallo, Crescent Road ES, *Griffin-Spalding County Schools*

Ready Writing 3rd Grade Winners

First Place – Lily Reynolds, New Hope ES, *Henry County Schools*
Second Place – Brantley Berryhill, Upson-Lee ES, *Upson County Schools*
Third Place – Lailyn Eddy, Stark ES, *Butts County Schools*

Ready Writing 4th Grade Winners

First Place – Sarah Harris, Pike County ES, *Pike County Schools*
Second Place – Ivy Lee, Crescent Road ES, *Griffin-Spalding County Schools*
Third Place – Jayda Goens, Daughtry ES, *Butts County Schools*

Ready Writing 5th Grade Winners

First Place – Sara Smallwood, Mansfield ES, *Newton County Schools*
Second Place – Anna Cash, Pike County ES, *Pike County Schools*
Third Place – Serenity Willard, Woodland ES, *Henry County Schools*

Drama (Grades 3-5) Winners

First Place – Ms. Miller’s Team, Rock Spring ES, *Henry County Schools*
Second Place – Ms. Pruitt’s Team, Live Oak ES, *Newton County Schools*
Third Place – Dr. Harper’s Team, Inman ES, *Fayette County Schools*

Congratulations to winners of the 2022 Griffin RESA Regional Science & Engineering Fair!

The following school systems had winners:

Butts County Schools: Henderson MS

Fayette County Schools: Bennett's Mill MS, Booth MS, Fayette County HS, Flat Rock MS, McIntosh HS, Rising Starr MS, Sandy Creek HS, Starr's Mill HS, Whitewater HS, Whitewater MS

Griffin-Spalding County Schools: Rehoboth Road MS, Spalding HS

Newton County Schools: Clements MS, Indian Creek MS, Liberty MS, Newton College & Career Academy, Newton County Theme School

Pike County Schools: Pike County HS

Note: The Griffin RESA Regional Science & Engineering Fair is a regional competition among middle and high schools in the Griffin RESA region. The 1st place projects in the fair will compete at the Georgia Science & Engineering Fair (GSEF), which will be held virtually in March/April, 2022. The top three projects in the Senior Division will participate in the Regeneron International Science & Engineering Fair (ISEF), which will be held virtually in May 2022.

The top three projects in the senior division

Alyssa Reed – Fayette County High

Jesna Thomas and Nathaly Rangel-Gonzalez – Fayette County High

Emily White – McIntosh High

We wish this year's winners well as they represent our region at the State and the Regeneron International Science & Engineering Fair (ISEF) this spring!



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Griffin RESA Announcement
***Congratulations to the Winners of the Griffin RESA
2022 Regional Literacy Days Competition***
(Grades 6-8 Winners)

Poetry Recitation 6th Grade Winners

First Place – Reagan Harvey, Flat Rock MS, *Fayette County Schools*
Second Place – Oliver Reid, Newton Theme School, *Newton County Schools*
Third Place – Brian Lean, Dutchtown MS, *Henry County Schools*

Poetry Recitation 7th Grade Winners

First Place – Simone Antoine, Flat Rock MS, *Fayette County Schools*
Second Place – Maren Poynter, Newton Theme School, *Newton County Schools*
Third Place – Chiemezie Ndeke, Dutchtown MS, *Henry County Schools*

Poetry Recitation 8th Grade Winners

First Place – Strylin Rowland, Pike County MS, *Pike County Schools*
Second Place – Sydney Casteel, Upson-Lee MS, *Upson County Schools*
Third Place – Abigail Barnes, Impact Academy, *Henry County Schools*

Ready Writing 6th Grade Winners

First Place – Joelliana Saintil, Clements MS, *Newton County Schools*
Second Place – Addison Scarlett, Unity Grove MS, *Henry County Schools*
Third Place – Ny'Terryion Davis, Rehoboth Road MS, *Griffin-Spalding County Schools*

Ready Writing 7th Grade Winners

First Place – Cailyn Pritchett, Lamar County MS, *Lamar County Schools*
Second Place – Kadence Brumback, Henderson MS, *Butts County Schools*
Third Place – Bhavi Patel, Impact Academy, *Henry County Schools*

Ready Writing 8th Grade Winners

First Place – Aisha Derico, Upson-Lee MS, *Upson County Schools*
Second Place – Nate Pacetti, Rising Starr MS, *Fayette County Schools*
Third Place – Bailey Stover, Newton County Theme, *Newton County Schools*

Drama (Grades 6-8) Winners

First Place - Ms. Rogers' Team, Clements MS, *Newton County Schools*
Second Place – Ms. Coaxum-Richardson's Team, Luella MS, *Henry County Schools*
Third Place- Mrs. Branan & Mr. Ellerbee's Team, Lamar County MS, *Lamar County Schools*

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