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Self-Compassion for Educators

Self-Compassion for Educators is a 6-hour, evidence- and skills-based training designed for educators to dive into the research, practice, and experience of self-compassion, enhance their personal well-being, and revitalize their deep motivation for helping others. Our brains are wired for survival and have a natural tendency, or negativity bias, to focus on and be motivated by negative thought patterns like criticism, pain, and danger. This self-compassion training helps educators understand and transform these habitual responses and develop the ability to motivate with compassion rather than self-criticism. Science shows that self-compassion has a significant positive impact on educator wellbeing, resilience, and stress management. Practicing self-compassion involves taking action and making positive changes in our lives, and through this process, we see educators reconnecting with their deep motivation and excitement for helping others. Course Outcomes: • Build an understanding of mindful self-compassion and its elements • Explore the benefits of self-compassion • Learn how to integrate mindfulness and selfcompassion into daily life • Use self-compassion to handle difficult emotions with greater ease • Practice motivating yourself with kindness rather than criticism • Use selfcompassion to live in accord with your values.

This class will be held virtually.

Presented by: Georgia State University's Child Welfare Training Collaborative

This professional development opportunity is provided by a grant for our regional school systems. Therefore, it is open only to educators in the Griffin RESA region: (Butts, Fayette, Henry, Lamar, Pike, Newton, Griffin-Spalding, and Thomaston-Upson School Systems).

Date:	December 5, 2023
Time:	8:30am-1:00pm
Location:	Griffin RESA
Cost:	\$0 (Registration is required)
Target Audience:	K-12 Teachers

Register online at <u>www.griffinresa.net</u>

Registration Deadline: November 23, 2023