

Around the Agency

- **GaDOE Curriculum Leaders Conference Agenda Now Available.** [Register for GaDOE Curriculum Leaders Conference](#) (Sept 25th – Dr. Dan Willingham featured speaker) and GACIS (Sept 26-27th) separately.
- **Inspire and Velocity Office Hours.** Join DML and Technology Services for time to ask questions and work together in Inspire and Inspire's Velocity. [Next session August 28th 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m.](#)
- **[OSDI's Inspire Resource Repository](#)** is now ACTIVE! 🎉👥😊 There you will find folders with Process Guides, presentations/recordings and other supporting documents. These resources can be downloaded or linked to share with your school and district leaders. Please take the time to peruse the repository. Contact the PL team if you have any questions.
- The **[Assessment and Accountability Resource Repository](#)** houses all the resources made available to support instruction in the classroom. Now is a great time to consider how [Achievement Level Descriptors](#) and [Test Blueprints](#) can inform instruction this school year.
- **K-12 Mathematics Instructional Videos.** We are proud to present our [Georgia's K-12 Mathematics Instructional Videos](#) from our collaboration with GPB. This video series provides in-depth information and professional learning for Georgia's K-12 Mathematics Standards. Information and resources are shared to support the implementation of the state-adopted mathematics standards for all grade levels, K-12. Educators can come here to see the extent of the standards expectations for student success.
- **Mathematics Storytelling.** [New episode!](#) Jabal Moss of Richmond County School System talking about unlocking understanding in mathematics with the power of storytelling.
- **New ELA Resources Released to Support Training & Implementation!** We have published two new resources to aid you in your exploration and training/implementation phases of Georgia's K-12 ELA Standards! Please reach out with additional questions. [District & School Implementation Recommended Planning Template](#): This template outlines four phases of district- and school-level standards implementation, describing the tasks and responsibilities for four target areas of implementation: leadership, curriculum, professional learning, and communication.
- [Correlating Georgia's K-12 ELA Standards with the Georgia Early Literacy Act](#): This resource provides useful information for three significant terms in the Georgia Early Literacy Act in the first section and illustrates specific correlations between the Georgia Early Literacy Act and the ELA standards in the second section. **You can find both of these resources in our [Resource Repository for District & School Leaders](#) in Inspire!**
- **2024-2025 ELA Standards Tour for Teachers.**  [Click here for dates and flyers for the 2024-2025 ELA Standards Tour for Teachers](#). Please share with your networks! Registration will be conducted through individual RESAs.

- **Let's Talk ELA, GA!** Join us virtually for monthly sessions with educational leaders and ELA specialists across the state as we prepare for the implementation of Georgia's K-12 English Language Arts (ELA) Standards. GaDOE will provide monthly updates, and attendees will be able to ask questions. For more information, please check out the [event flyer](#) and then register for this collaborative opportunity!
- **Scaffolding Writing for English Learners in Grades 6 – 12.** As the new school year begins, it is a great time for teachers to think about how to add to their existing repertoires to support their English learner (EL) students in becoming better writers across the disciplines. Teachers will find that the ideas offered in [this article from WestEd](#) are especially useful for their students who are learning English as an additional language.
- **September Literacy and Dyslexia Technical Assistance Chat.** Our September chat is all about answering YOUR questions regarding the Georgia Early Literacy Act and Georgia's Dyslexia legislation. Drop in for a portion, or come for the entire hour. Our goal will be to respond to your questions. [Register for the Literacy and Dyslexia Technical Assistance Chats here.](#)
- **Biliteracy Seal Retroactive Reporting Open until September 1...** [See more.](#)
- **World Languages and GRE4T Collaborate to Support Novice World Languages Teachers.** GaDOE's GRE4T and World Languages departments collaborated to create a series of engaging professional development opportunities for World Languages educators... [See more.](#)
- **GaSUITCASE** now includes course descriptions for the 2024-2025 State-Funded List of K-8 Subjects and 9-12 courses are live and include standards, course numbers and course descriptions for the Georgia Standards of Excellence and Georgia's K12 Math and English Language Arts Standards.
- **Next Heads Together Sept 4th 9 a.m.** Hosted by West Georgia RESA - [join colleagues from across the state](#) for curriculum and instruction updates.
- **Instructional Tech Talks Are Back!** Monthly Instructional Tech Talks (ITT) – designed to ignite innovation, connect coaches, and elevate student learning – will resume August 27th. [Register Here!](#)
- **Induction Support Leader (ISL) Program.** The Office of Rural Education and Innovation (REI) and The Governor's School Leadership Academy (GSLA) are partnering to offer an Induction Support Leader (ISL) program, specifically designed to assist rural school districts with expanding and improving their new teacher induction programs. The program is being offered at four locations across the state. [Click here for more information.](#)
- **Science in Action: Middle School Series!** We are excited to announce that our new video series for [Science in Action](#) is now published! The series addresses what three-dimensional science instruction looks like in middle schools. Join Georgia teachers as we step inside classrooms to experience student-centered and standards-based instruction. You will see strategies and hear teacher tips that can enhance science classrooms.

- **Professional Learning in YOUR Area!...**[See more.](#)
- **Do You Know an Outstanding Social Studies Teacher?** Each year the Georgia Council for the Social Studies recognizes and celebrates exemplary social studies instruction at their Annual Conference in October. Nominations can be made for numerous awards. [Visit GCSS](#) to learn more about each award and how to nominate a teacher YOU know! **The deadline for all nominations AND supporting materials must be submitted by August 30th.**
- ***FREE* LIVE Virtual WIDA Facilitated Workshop.** The GaDOE ESOL Language Program and Science Curriculum Team are pleased to invite Science and/or ESOL teachers to engage in a FREE and LIVE virtual WIDA facilitated Workshop: **Nurturing Speaking Growth.** Explore the connection between the ACCESS Speaking test and classroom practices that promote oral language development. **Register Now!** [Elementary Cohort](#) (Grades K-5) & [Secondary Cohort](#) (Grades 6-12)
- **Teachers' Personalized Learning Bootcamp.** Join us for a highly interactive, six-session bootcamp for teachers from September 2024 to March 2025 focused on facilitating and planning student-centered practices or personalized learning. Participants will walk away with knowledge of easy-to-use, learner-centered experiences and the ability to apply practices that build capacity for the sustainability of personalized learning. [Register here for teachers' bootcamp!](#)
- **Coaches' Personalized Learning Bootcamp.** Join us for a highly interactive, six-session bootcamp from September 2024 to March 2025 for instructional coaches focused on facilitating and planning student-centered practices or personalized learning. Facilitators will share hands-on and reflection activities designed to engage and empower learners. [Register here for coaches' bootcamp!](#)
- **Computer Science Focus Session: Physical Computing Devices.** Join us for an exciting session on physical computing devices hosted by the GaDOE Computer Science team...[See more.](#)
- **GaDOE Computer Science Grant Opportunities...**[See more.](#)
- **Computer Science District Implementation Workshop Fall Cohort...**[See more.](#)
- **Gifted Assurances Form is Live in MyGaDOEPortal.** For the 2024-25 school year, superintendents of all local education agencies (LEAs) are required to submit an annual Gifted Education assurances form affirming their adherence to the prescribed parameters of gifted service delivery models for the 2024-2025 school year, in particular the cluster grouping, collaborative, and/or innovative models. The assurances form is **due on or before September 1, 2024**, through [MyGaDOE Portal](#). Please [review the directions](#) for completing the Gifted Education Assurances Form.
- **Fit Georgia Webinar Recordings and Resources.** Important Update for Fit Georgia Participants...[See more.](#)

- **GaDOE Professional Learning Events** – GaDOE's professional learning events catalog, housed in GaDOE Community, contains registration information for upcoming virtual and in-person webinars, workshops, and conferences. On-demand, pre-recorded webinars and by-request opportunities are also available to meet educators' professional learning needs. Most by-request offerings are virtual, both synchronous and asynchronous. Professional learning events are updated quarterly, and educational stakeholders are encouraged to visit the site often to review the latest agencywide offerings. View our [professional learning events here](#). Please regularly browse the catalog for PL offerings that might support your work as you support schools and districts. A sampling of upcoming PL events that might be relevant to the work of school improvement includes:
 - **GaMTSS Tier 1 Series: A Journey Towards Excellence** will begin August 27 from 10 – 11:30 a.m. Click [here](#) for registration information.
 - **Fall 2024 Inspire + Velocity Support Sessions Series** will begin August 28 from 10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Click [here](#) for series registration information.
 - **FY25 Special Education School Administrator Academy (SESAA) Sessions** will be held August 29 from 9 – 11 a.m. Click [here](#) for registration information.
 - **Georgia Early Numeracy Project Professional Learning Series** will be held September 3 from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Click [here](#) for registration information.

Professional Learning

- **SDI Improving Outcomes Webinar Series** –The next installment of the Improving Outcomes series, *Alternative Schools Supports*, will be held September 25th from 9 – 10 a.m. In this session, school and district leaders will receive an overview of effective supports for alternative schools. Series registration information can be found here: [Improving Outcomes for Federally Identified Schools Series - GaDOE Community](#). If school or district leaders cannot attend the session, the recording and presentation will be placed in the GaDOE Professional Learning Catalog for their review.

Resources

- **Highlighted Resources from the Professional Learning Department** – This week's optional resource is a video from the Principal Matters! Series "[How to Bring People Together for Meaningful Work with Amanda Holmes](#)". This resource can support you in coaching leaders to develop and/or sustain an environment conducive to continuous improvement.

Reminders

- **Sept 6** GA Literacy Academy/SDI Virtual PLC, 10:45 – 12:15 p.m.