The Georgia Association Of Educators
Professional Teaching and Learning
2018-2019

General Workshops
(Each Designed for a 1 ½ to 3 Hour Session)

Opening Doors for Better Evaluations: TKES Overview and Tips
Educators will be provided a basic understanding of the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System and explore strategies/tools for a successful process. We will explain the correlation between the observation process and lesson plans, the instruments to be used in the process, things to do prior to the arrival of the evaluator, and the importance of uploading documentation.

Practice, Practice, Practice: Classroom Management
The number one problem in the classroom is not discipline; it is the lack of procedures and routines. This workshop will provide classroom management techniques through instructional strategies to include a variety of methods designed to promote a highly effective classroom learning environment enhancing student achievement.

Block by Block: Cooperative Learning and Differentiated Instruction
Students learn more and achievement improves with Cooperative Learning. When students work together as teams, active learning takes place. This workshop emphasizes how to design student teams and incorporates team-building techniques. Participants will be provided tools for creating a cooperative learning model of teaching in their classrooms.

How do You Learn/Teach? Lesson Planning for Right Brain/Left Brain Learners: Differentiated Instruction
Before planning lessons, it is important to know how you learn and the different learning styles associated with the brain. Participants will identify their learning styles and will incorporate various tools and strategies to address “whole brain” activities when planning lessons.

Blooming Smart: Differentiated Instruction
Every student is smart and every student can learn. It is the responsibility of the educator to identify the area of intelligence and build upon that intelligence while incorporating other areas of intelligence. Utilizing information and tools in this workshop, participants will be equipped to teach higher-level critical thinking skills.

“Bully Free” Learning Environment
Bullied students that go it alone because they don’t know who to turn to are far more likely to fall behind in studies, get sick and/or depressed, miss school, and drop out. But research tells us that one caring adult can make all the difference in a bullied student’s life. This workshop is intended to help educators know how to identify bullying, intervene in a bully incident, and advocate for bullied students.

True Colors: Understanding and Interacting with School Employees, Parents, and Students
True Colors is a model of personality identification that is easy to understand, remember, and apply. With the colors of Orange, Gold, Blue, and Green – True Colors distills the elaborate concepts of personality theory into a user friendly, practical tool used to foster healthy productive relationships with students, parents, and co-workers.
**Coffee Shop: Understanding How Multiple Generations Co-Exist And Relate To One Another In A School Environment**

Yes, the generations are very different! Learn why it is important to understand the characteristics and traits of different generational groups that teachers, ESPs, and administrators interact with daily. Strategies are provided for helping the generations learn to communicate and work together. Also learn strategies for communicating with multigenerational households of your students which may include students, parents, and/or custodial grandparents/other relatives.

**Juggling Elephants: Balancing Work/School and Personal Life**

Feel like the circus is running you instead of you running your circus? Does it seem like the performers in your circus are than enthusiastic about being a part of your lineup? If so, it’s time for you to stop juggling elephants. In this thought-provoking workshop, we offer a unique perspective on the struggle to “get it all done.”

**Smooth Sailing: Stress Survival**

Everyone wants to experience “Smooth Sailing.” Learn ways to deal with the waves of stress from everyday life at work and home. This presentation is intended to increase your awareness of stress and its implications on your life. In this workshop, you will identify your sources of stress, determine new ways to react to uncontrollable stress, and learn strategies to relieve yourself of controllable stress.

**The Art Of Difficult Conversations**

Communication is the exchange of information and opinions. Participants have a chance to practice how to have a “Difficult Conversation” in a way that helps resolve problems instead of making them worse or ignoring them. It also stresses the importance of understanding the difference between perception and reality. Each person’s reality in a situation is largely based on perception instead of fact. Learn how to become a better communicator.

**Reaching The Struggling Learner**

Who are the struggling learners in your classroom? Struggling learners are found along the learning continuum. This session will look at both the emotional and academic needs of the student who struggles. Strategies for meeting the needs of such students will be shared and discussed.

**Education Support Professionals: Management For Locations Outside The Classroom**

This session targets bus drivers, custodians, food service employees, office staff, and paraprofessionals as they deal with managing student behavior in non-classroom areas of the school. The session focuses on enhancing the structure of the educational support personnel’s work environment to be a place in which students are cooperative, well behaved and where ESP’s are supported as valuable members of the whole school staff.

**GACE: Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators Online Test Preparation Courses**

Whether you are taking the GACE for Program Admission or the GACE Content for certification, we have workshops to help you be successful. After attending the orientation workshop for GAE’S GACE Program Admission/GACE Content Preparation, you will have the opportunity to access the GAE Online Study Program so that you able to develop your own study schedule at your own pace. Our program allows you to identify areas of need and provides materials for practice in those areas.

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