

Kathy Cox, State Superintendent of Schools

May 27, 2008

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** System Test Coordinators  
Special Education Directors

**FROM:** Jeff Barker, Ph. D.  
Director, Assessment Administration Division

**SUBJECT:** Georgia Alternate Assessment (GAA) Post Assessment Workshops, 2007- 2008

The Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) will be conducting Georgia Alternate Assessment (GAA) post assessment workshops at various locations across the state. The dates of the post assessment workshops are June 17-19, 2008. The purpose of the post assessment workshop is to provide information that will assist administrators and educators with the interpretation of GAA assessment results. GAA score reports will be shipped to systems during the week of June 2, 2008. Representatives from the GaDOE and Questar Assessment, Inc. will present the workshop.

Each school system is invited to send three people to attend one of the workshops. System Test Coordinators and Special Education Directors are strongly encouraged to attend. In order to ensure adequate materials are available, please complete the enclosed R.S.V.P. Form included with this memorandum and return it via fax or email to Peggy Larson, Questar Assessment, Inc., by June 10, 2008. Prior to the workshop, you will receive an email confirmation from Questar along with directions to your selected meeting location.

The specific dates, workshop times, and locations for the workshops are listed on the following page. Please be aware that due to the limited capacity of some of the locations, reservations will be taken on a first come basis. Refreshments will be served at the beginning of each workshop. However, attendees are responsible for travel, meals, and lodging, if necessary.

Thank you in advance for arranging to attend one of these important workshops. If you have additional questions about the workshops or the GAA, please contact Deborah Houston via email at [dhouston@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:dhouston@doe.k12.ga.us) or phone (404-657-0251.)

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Enclosures: RSVP Form

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RESA Directors



**GAA Post Assessment Workshop  
2007-2008  
Dates and Locations**

**Tuesday**

**June 17, 2008**

UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center  
15 RDC Road  
Tifton, GA 30566  
229-391-5055

**Workshop 1 9:00am-12:00pm**

**Workshop 2 1:00pm-4:00pm**

**Wednesday**

**June 18, 2008**

Houston County Board of Education  
Auditorium  
1100 Main Street  
Perry, GA 31069  
478-988-6197

**Workshop 3 9:00am-12:00pm**

**Thursday**

**June 19, 2008**

Gainesville State College  
3820 Mundy Mill Rd.  
Oakwood, GA 30566  
678-717-3759

**Workshop 4 9:00am-12:00pm**

**Workshop 5 1:00pm-4:00pm**