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2003 Exemplary Media Center Programs Open House

Calhoun Elementary, Calhoun City Schools: October 2nd
(Directions and more information on following page)

Creekland Middle, Gwinnett Public Schools: October 28th

Pope High School, Cobb Public Schools: November 12th

I hope you are able to attend at least one of the Open Houses.

More details will follow



The theme for the **Calhoun Elementary** Open House is a "Library Luau" and lunch will be provided. The open house is from 11:00-1:00 on Thursday, October 2nd. Please RSVP by September 22nd.

To Calhoun Elementary

Take I-75 to exit 312 (Highway 53). If you are traveling north, turn left as you exit the ramp. If you are traveling south, turn right when you exit the ramp. Go 2.5 miles on Highway 53. Including the traffic light at the exit ramp, you will go through nine traffic lights. At the 10th light, turn right onto River St. (You will pass Wal-Mart on the left and then cross over a small overpass just before the 10th light.) Continue on River Street through two traffic lights. Just beyond the 2nd light is the school on the left. The school is under construction; so parking is rather limited. If no parking spaces are available at the school, park in the church parking lot across from the school.

If you are coming from the Cedartown, Rome, or Lafayette area, you can take Highway 53 to Calhoun and veer right taking 53 Spur. The first red light will be River St. Turn left onto River St. and go through two traffic lights. The school is on the left. If you need further directions call Julie Stephens at 706-602-6637.

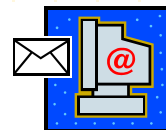
TOTY



Please let Judy Serritella jserrite@doe.k12.ga.us know if you are chosen Teacher of the Year (TOTY) at your school or in your school district this year. We would like to again salute the library media specialists selected for this honor.

There is creative reading as well as creative writing. Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Technology Leadership Conference



The DOE Technology Leadership Conference, “**Leaving No Child Behind: The Promise of Technology**”, will be held at the Classic Center in Athens on October 15, 16, and 17, 2003. Technology Specialists, Curriculum Directors, Media Specialists, School Administrators, Staff Development coordinators, and System Media Coordinators would benefit and enjoy this conference.

Here is a glimpse at some of the more than 60 breakout sessions:

PeachStar meeting your training needs...anytime...anywhere Dr. Rhonda Hefner-Packer

The Institute for Media Specialists focuses on the changing roles and responsibilities of the media specialist. The Institute is comprised of 20 modules designed and delivered by practicing media specialists. The training, delivered using webcasting technology, is appropriate for both new and experienced media specialists. Come learn about how you can participant in free professional development offered anytime...anywhere.

Students Achieving with Multimedia: Stacey Bennett

Experience a showcase of the student achievement resulting from a fun and exciting course called Students Achieving with Multimedia (SAM). SAM creates learning communities and is a research-based design for 4-12

grades focusing on improving student achievement in all subjects. SAM participants learned to design and implement technology-enhanced, project-based learning activities that increased student motivation, collaboration, engagement, higher order thinking, problem solving, and communication skills.

Moving to Windows 2003 Server: Brent Williams

Windows 2003 Server has been released and provides a powerful platform for file/print, web, DNS, and DHCP serving. This session will provide a brief look at the new features of Windows 2003 Server and will provide guidance for upgrading from other server platforms

Georgia Learning Connections @ the Library: Kate Quinn

Did you know that whether you are creating activities to kickoff a school wide reading program, providing literature for multi-curriculum areas, meeting with teachers to offer technology integration opportunities or assisting teachers and students with literacy skills, there is a remarkable tool at your fingertips? Join us for a look at Georgia Learning Connection's Library & Media Specialist's resources and find a partner to share the many tasks you face each day.

Multimedia Fun: Integrating Digital Images Gwen Church

In this session, participants will identify ways to integrate digital images in their classrooms and media centers, learn the six modes of visual learning, and how to create multimedia presentations that will enhance students' literacy skills. Participants will leave with some fun and exciting software programs (trial versions) that will assist them in making professional looking slideshows and presentations.

Integrating Technology with Georgia Critical Thinking Skills Resources: Barbara Bishop

The Georgia Critical Thinking Skills Program, or Georgia's Effective Teaching Strategies (GETS) Program was designed to promote thinking and learning in the classroom. The Program is focused on instructional strategies teachers use in the classroom to teach content while promoting critical, creative, and independent thinking. Many of these resources, now accessible on GLC, are rich with technology integration strategies. The session will investigate technology integration ranges to differentiate ways of interacting with technology. You will explore the Georgia Critical Thinking Skills resources as models for varied technology integration use.

Professional Learning Made Easy Susan Sams

Pre-packaged resources! It doesn't come any easier than this. Discover the wealth of professional development opportunities at your fingertips. These can be used for group or individual use. Most packages include an easy to use facilitator's guide that explains how to best implement the program in a group setting. Whether you need to learn more about the state's assessments, remind yourself how to use DOE's Interactive Reports (data cubes), familiarize yourself with proven teaching models, or discover new ways to incorporate technology integration into the classroom, you will welcome these resources into your program.

Live Homework Help @the Library and @ Home Mabel Ann Kincheloe, Tricia Kennedy

Homework is here to stay and so is the expectation that public libraries will help students with their homework! What if 4th-12th grade students could connect free of charge to a live certified online tutor 35 hours a week in the library or from home when they need help with Math, Science, English, and Social Studies assignments? Join us to find out how Gwinnett County Public Schools and Gwinnett County Public Library are partnering to improve the lives of many very busy families, teachers, and librarians.

Using LoTI to Promote Instructional Change:

Dr. Chris Moersch

Through a contract with the National Business in Education Alliance, the GA DOE has made the Level of Technology Implementation (LoTI) Surveys available to systems for another year at no cost to school systems. The contract also heavily subsidizes NBEA evaluation reports should local systems choose to order them. In this session Dr. Moersch will provide an overview of the LoTI framework, examples of reports that are subsidized through the state contract; and case studies of how local school systems are utilizing LoTI tools to move their district toward state and local implementation goals.

The 2003-2006 State of Georgia K-12 Technology Integration Plan:**Dr. Jo Williamson**

In July 2003, the State BOE approved a three-year plan to continue integrating technology into K-12 education. The plan includes: (1) key components for successful school technology programs; (2) progress updates for Georgia and the nation; (3) a common vision statement; (4) concrete goals for Georgia's public schools; (5) over 20 strategies that the GA DOE will deploy to reach those goals; and (6) an evaluation plan to help the state and local systems chart progress. In this session, presenters will provide an overview of the plan and outline how all attendees can help the state realize desired outcomes.

The Keynote session on Thursday afternoon will feature State Superintendent Kathy Cox.

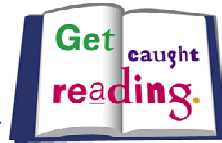
There will be more than 60 breakout sessions and an exhibit floor featuring more than 90 vendors.

Registration is \$110. Lunch and breaks are included in the fee. You can find the registration form on the DOE website at: <http://techservices.doe.k12.ga.us/tlc/>.





Get Caught Reading



This website, sponsored by the Association of American Publishers and the Magazine Publishers of America has a wealth of information about literacy, encouraging reading, posters to download, and free posters. Check it out!









<http://www.getcaughtreading.org/getcaughtreading/about/index.cfm>



September 2003

Library Media Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																											
	1 Edgar Rice Burroughs born: 1875-1950 World War II begins: 1939	2 Christa McAuliff born: 1948-1986	3  1st professional football game: 1895	4 Geronimo surrenders: 1886 Richard Wright born: 1908-1960	5 1st Continental Congress meets: 1774  Pres. McKinley shot: 1901	6 1st video recording on magnetic tape: 1958																																																																																											
7 Grandma Moses' born: 1860-1961	8  1st reading of the Pledge of Allegiance: 1892 Birthday of Jon Scieszka: 1954-	9 Aileen Fisher born: 1906-2002 Leo Tolstoy born: 1828-1910	10 Roy Doty born: 1922- Sewing machine patented: 1846	11 World Trade Center and Pentagon attacked: 2001	12  Russians launch 1st rocket to moon: 1959	13 Mildred Taylor born: 1943- Roald Dahl born: 1916-1990																																																																																											
14 John Steptoe born: 1950-1989 Star Spangled Banner written: 1814	15 Authors Tomi dePaola, Agatha Christie, James Fenimore Cooper, Robert McCloskey born.	16 H.A. Rey born: 1898-1977 John Knowles born: 1926-	17 Birthday of William Carlos Williams: 1883-1963 U.S. Constitution signed: 1787	18  U.S. Air Force formed: 1947	19  Death of President Garfield: 1881	20  Magellan began search for passage to India: 1519																																																																																											
21 Colin Powell becomes joint chief's chairman: 1989 Stephen King born: 1947-	22 Death of Nathan Hale: 1776 Peace Corps established: 1961	23 Lewis & Clark complete expedition: 1806 Neptune discovered: 1846	24 Birthday of F. Scott Fitzgerald: 1896-1940 Supreme Court founded: 1789	25 Bill of Rights adopted: 1789 William Faulkner born: 1897-1962	26 Drake circumnavigates the globe: 1580 T.S. Eliot born: 1888-1965	27 Birthday of Paul Goble: 1933- Thomas Nast born: 1840-1902																																																																																											
28 Birthday of Kate Douglas Wiggin: 1856-1923	29 Birthday of Stan Berenstain: 1923- Miguel de Cervantes born: 1547-1616	30  1st tooth extracted with anesthesia: 1846 Birthday of Truman Capote: 1924-1984	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <table border="1" style="font-size: small;"> <caption>August</caption> <thead> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> <tr><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1" style="font-size: small;"> <caption>October</caption> <thead> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td></tr> <tr><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> </div>			S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31							S	M	T	W	T	F	S					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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If there's a book you really want to read but it hasn't been written yet, then you must write it. Toni Morrison