

2016 Principal for a Day:

GCPS schools host community leaders for American Education Week

American Education Week brought 138 members of Gwinnett's business community into local schools to serve as "Principal for a Day." Following is a list of participants, as well as quotes from a few hosting principals and community members and a photo from the annual event, co-sponsored by the Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce and Gwinnett County Public Schools. Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Gwinnett Environmental & Heritage Center, Peach State Federal Credit Union, Georgia Campus-Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (GA-PCOM), Dave & Buster's, and Interactive Business Technologies will sponsor a luncheon on Dec. 9. Principals and community members first connected at a breakfast event in October.

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ADAPT, STRIVE, and The BRIDGE programs at Northbrook Center—
Beatty McCaleb of Halski Systems, LLC

Alcova ES— Janet K. Ritter of Kaiser Permanente

Alford ES— Adam Dieterich of Gateway Sales Corp. of Georgia

Anderson-Livsey ES— John Poelker of Perkins+Will

Annistown ES— Matt Remund of Hamilton Financial

Arcado ES— Sue Wyatt of BrandBank

Archer HS— Phil Hoskins of Gwinnett County Government

Baggett ES— Mattie Smith of Cartridge World—Lawrenceville/Buford

Baldwin ES— Thomas Lilly of Georgia Gwinnett College

Bay Creek MS— Chair Mike Royal of the State Board of Education
and Partners Risk Services

Beaver Ridge ES— Angilla Jones of The Schoolhouse

Benefield ES— Kim Nelson of J. M. Tull Gwinnett Family YMCA

Berkeley Lake ES— Louis Tseng of Georgia State University

Berkmar HS— John Dillard of His CPA, PC

Berkmar MS— Robert DeWitt Thomas of Andersen, Tate & Carr, PC

Bethesda ES— Alan Chapman of

Gwinnett County Department of Transportation

Britt ES— Dr. Dionne Wright Poulton of

Poulton Consulting Group, LLC

Brookwood ES— Mary Hester of LAN Systems

Brookwood HS— Jeff Spence of AIH Americas

Burnette ES— Amy Doherty of the City of Suwanee

Camp Creek ES— Shannon Brabner of Hi-Hope Service Center

Cedar Hill ES— Jorge Vallejo of Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Centerville ES— Megan Lesko of Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce

Central Gwinnett HS— Michael Woodward of

Woodward Property Group

Chattahoochee ES— Jim Hall of The Atlanta Gladiators

Chesney ES— Nancy Yancey of Rainbow Village, Inc.

Coleman MS— Johnny Phelps of Harry Norman, Realtors

Collins Hill HS— Indran Indrakrishnan, MD of

GDC Endoscopy Center LLC

Cooper ES— Jessica Roth of the City of Suwanee

Corley ES— June Lynn of Lynn Law Office

Couch MS— Carla Carraway of Precision Planning, Inc.

Craig ES— Judge Kimberly Gallant of

Magistrate Court of Gwinnett County

Creekland MS— Jennifer Stephens of Georgia Gwinnett College

Crews MS— Tom Fontaine of Delta Community Credit Union

Dacula ES— Greg Cantrell of Living Stone Properties

Dacula HS— Tracie Cason of Gwinnett District Attorney's Office

Dacula MS— Judge Carla Brown of Gwinnett State Court

Discovery HS— Jim Liley of IBM

Duluth HS— Council Member Greg Whitlock of the City of Duluth

Duluth MS— Mike Stough of Zeriva

Duncan Creek ES— Cam Segars of Peach State Federal Credit Union

Dyer ES— Wendy Palmer of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Ferguson ES— Kathleen Gibbons of Wells Fargo Bank

Five Forks MS— Jim Brooks of

Evermore Community Improvement District (CID)

Fort Daniel ES— Chris Jones of

Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

Freeman's Mill ES— Stephanie Sokenis of

Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce

GIVE Center East— Principal Thomas Trippany of Shiloh ES

GIVE Center West— Council Member Lorri Christopher of
the City of Peachtree Corners

Grace Snell MS— Jim Hollandsworth of The Path Project

Graves ES— Dr. C. Douglas Johnson of Georgia Gwinnett College

Grayson ES— Theo Stone of LeCraw Engineering

Grayson HS— John Moss of Interactive Business Technologies

Gwin Oaks ES— Terri Kolander of Kolander Consulting

Gwinnett Online Campus— Karen Howell of

Gwinnett Technical College

Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology—

Cliff Bray of Westbrook McGrath Bridges Orth & Bray

Harbins ES— Marci Gross of the City of Lawrenceville

Harmony ES— Brooke Waters of Leadership Gwinnett

Harris ES— Council Member Kelli Kelkenberg of the City of Duluth

Head ES— Jordan Shumate of Shuma Sports

Hopkins ES— Gordon Tomlinson of Tomlinson Law Office

Hull MS— Michael Price of Nidec Elesys Americas Corporation

Ivy Creek ES— Barry Sanders of Hospice Equipment Corporation

Jackson ES— Carol Ann Stough of

Atlanta Communities Real Estate Brokerage

Jenkins ES— Annie Davis of Gwinnett County Alumnae of

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Jones MS— Council Member Marc Cohen of the City of Sugar Hill

Jordan MS— Steve North of the City of Lawrenceville

Kanoheda ES— Smitty Thomas of Sonoco Paperboard Specialties

Knight ES— Patricia Gabilondo of Lilburn Business Association

Lanier HS— Commissioner Jace Brooks of

Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners

Lanier MS— Mayor Steve Edwards of the City of Sugar Hill

Lawrenceville ES— Amanda Sutt of Rock Paper Scissors

Level Creek ES— Jennifer Cramer of Brand Mortgage

Lilburn ES— Sarah Park of Explore Gwinnett and

the Gwinnett Sports Commission

Lilburn MS— David Schaefer of The Latin American Association

Lovin ES— Judge Angela Denise Duncan of

Magistrate Court of Gwinnett County

Magill ES— Andria S. Daniels of Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated

Mason ES— Robyn Ali of Infinite Energy Center

Maxwell HS of Technology— Lisa Winton of

Winton Machine Company

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Sarah Park of Explore Gwinnett and the Gwinnett Sports Commission visits a Lilburn ES classroom.



- McConnell MS**— Chuck Ross of Webb, Tanner & Powell, P.C.
McKendree ES— Andy Morgan of The Morgan Law Group, PC
Meadowcreek ES— Marsha Anderson Bomar of Gwinnett Village Community Improvement District (CID)
Meadowcreek HS— Randy Redner of Community Foundation for Northeast Georgia
Mill Creek HS— Kevin Queen of 12Stone Church
Minor ES— Kimberlee Jones of VonLea Creative Group, Inc.
Moore MS— Jessica Andrews-Wilson of GUIDE, Inc.
Mountain Park ES— Jeffrey R. Green of Qmatic Corporation
Mountain View HS— Jason West of Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center
Mulberry ES— Radu Coliba of Lawrenceville First Baptist Church
Nesbit ES— Randy Meacham of Gwinnett Municipal Association
New Life Academy of Excellence— Anne Chen of Explore Gwinnett
Norcross ES— Bruce Sharp of BB&T
Norcross HS— Michael Lee of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine—School of Pharmacy
North Gwinnett HS— Joy Mitchell of Office Creations, Inc.
North Gwinnett MS— Mayor Jimmy Burnette of the City of Suwanee
North Metro Academy— Jaclyn Hofmann of the Aurora Theatre
Northbrook MS— Craig Brown of Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce
Norton ES— Bernard Watson of Gwinnett County Public Schools
Oakland Meadow School— Jimmy Norton of VOYA Financial Advisors
Osborne MS— Miles Welch of 12Stone Church
Parkview HS— Mayor Johnny Crist of the City of Lilburn
Parsons ES— Robin Hoch of Taziki's Mediterranean Cafe
Partee ES— Lee Wilson of Delta Community Credit Union
Patrick ES— Stacy R. Pruitt of Dave & Buster's
Peachtree ES— Mark Willis of Georgia School Boards Association
Peachtree Ridge HS— Matthew Holtkamp of Holtkamp Heating & Air
Pharr ES— Taylor Anderson of Blue Landworks LLC
Phoenix HS— Glenn Stephens of Gwinnett County Government
Pinckneyville MS— Council Member Jeanne Aulbach of the City of Peachtree Corners
Puckett's Mill ES— Ryan Bonilla of Rocket IT
Radloff MS— Nicole Hendrickson of Gwinnett County Government
Richards MS— Jennifer Hendrickson of Institutional Advancement
Riverside ES— Bedri Yusuf, MD of Gwinnett Health System
Roberts ES— Avery Headd of Poplar Hill Baptist Church
Rock Springs ES— Maureen Kornowa of Gwinnett Children's Shelter
Rockbridge ES— Jill Edwards of Wells Fargo Bank

- Rosebud ES**— Jon Richards of Site ROI, Inc.
Shiloh ES— Kim Dildy of Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Metro Brokers
Shiloh HS— Adam Forrand of Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce
Shiloh MS— Paul Thibodeaux of Snellville United Methodist Church
Simonton ES— Erik Provitt of SunTrust Bank
Simpson ES— Commissioner Lynette Howard of Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners
Snellville MS— Chris Berry of Kaiser Permanente
South Gwinnett HS— Melvin Everson of Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity
Starling ES— George Dobbins of Georgia Power Company
Sugar Hill ES— Council Member Michael P. Sullivan of the City of Sugar Hill
Summerour MS— Gregory Lang of Good Samaritan Health Center of Gwinnett
Suwanee ES— Mayor Pro Tem Linnea Miller of the City of Suwanee
Sweetwater MS— Jonathan Holmes of Mighty 8th Media
Taylor ES— Alysia Clarey of Altera Riverside
Trickum MS— Bernard Ethridge of Edward Jones
Trip ES— Berthine Crevecoeur West of The West Linguistic Training Group, LLC
Twin Rivers MS— Carol Morris of Wells Fargo Bank
Walnut Grove ES— Rick Strawn of Paradigm Security Services, Inc.
White Oak ES— Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Hembree of the City of Sugar Hill
Winn Holt ES— Jeff Greene of IOI Outsourcing
Woodward Mill ES— Joelle Nazaire (Tubbs) of Gwinnett County Solicitor General's Office

"[Our Principal for a Day] was very impressed with the complexity of the work and dedication of our staff. She commented on how we are changing the world, one child at a time."

"Bringing community and school together just makes for a stronger Gwinnett."

"Each year, I walk away from the experience knowing I have a new partner, advocate and friend."

Remarks from principals who hosted a Principal for a Day

"I gained a whole new appreciation for the scope of responsibility and magnitude of the role of the principal, administrators, and teachers."

"The passion to make a difference in every child's life was apparent."

"This was a great way to see the work that administrators and teachers do on a daily basis to educate our children."

Remarks from community members who were a Principal for a Day