# **Georgia Future Educators Signing Day**

## CTAE Directors, Counselors, Teaching as a Profession (TAP), and Early Childhood Education (ECE) Teachers of Georgia,

Georgia Future Educators Signing Day is to be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019. This endeavor is supported by the State School Superintendent's Office, Division of Career and Technical Education (CTAE), Georgia Early Childhood Education Foundation (GECEF), and Georgia's colleges and universities. There are several steps that must take place in order to make this a successful day as students are being recognized for choosing to pursue a career in the field of education.

### **USE THE FOLLOWING AS A GUIDE:**

#### Prior to the Event ---- START EARLY:

- □ When and Where:
  - Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at <u>(time)</u> at (location: media center, board office, library, auditorium, etc.)
  - \*\*\*Check all schedules to eliminate conflicts and ensure high attendance\*\*\* \*\*\*If there are multiple schools in the county, this event could be county-wide.\*\*\*
- Advertisement:

- $\circ$  Announce on ALL media outlets used by the school:
  - System/school web page, newspaper, local tv channels, Facebook, Instagram, radio, newsletters, flyers, etc.
- Suggested information to post:
  - On Tuesday, May 7, 2019, Georgia Future Educators Signing Day will be held to recognize students who are planning to pursue a career in the field of education. Local system administrators/teachers, college and university representatives, mayors, and other government officials are invited to attend this ceremony. The ceremony for (Insert School/System Name) will be held at (Insert Location) at (Insert Time).
- Identification:
  - Identify Seniors that are planning to pursue a career in education. Inform them of event with all details involved.
- □ Invitations (formal or informal):
  - Send to parents/guardians, educational agencies, business/industry, school/district administration, community members, advisory committee members, local media, those who inspired the student, mentor teacher from internship, etc.

#### Day of the Event --- Prepared Prior:

- □ Materials needed: school banner, college/university logos, refreshments, programs, decor, camera, etc.
- Print attached certificate to be presented to signees during the ceremony
- □ Agenda for Educators' Signing Day (suggested)
  - Welcome
  - Recognition of Special Guests
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Words of Encouragement Inspirational Speaker  $\,$
  - Highlights of TAP/ECE Program

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- Recognition of Student(s)
  - Individual with "whys" and "future plans"
- Signing Ceremony
- o Closing Remarks
- Signing Script (Teacher or Administrator)
  - By signing this letter of commitment, you are committing to improve the quality of education for students in the state of Georgia. The State School Superintendent, Richard Woods, your local administrators, community members, and teachers commend you on making an honorable decision to improve the quality of life for Georgia citizens through the educational process. You will be a great asset as we work towards "Educating Georgia's Future." On behalf of State School Superintendent Woods, please sign the commitment certificate.

#### Follow Up:

- Share the success of your event by sending/posting an article with pictures on school/system webpage, Facebook, Instagram, local tv channels, radio, newsletters, school/local newspaper, and etc.
- □ Record the list of students who signed and their future plans to support them throughout their future endeavors.

Thank you for promoting the education profession! If you have any questions/comments, please contact me.

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