



GRIFFIN REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY

Welcome to the Griffin RESA GATAPP Information Session!

Georgia Teacher **A**cademy for **P**reparation and **P**edagogy

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Georgia **T**eacher **A**cademy for **P**reparation and **P**edagogy (GATAPP)

An alternative (Non-Traditional) educator preparation program for those that did not complete the teacher certification requirement as part of their degree program.

Candidates teach in the classroom while simultaneously earning their teaching certificate.



Georgia Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy (GATAPP)

- Helps address teacher shortage issues or to fill high need areas;
- Allows individuals with a Bachelor's degree or higher to earn teacher certification;
- Offered by various program providers throughout Georgia





Griffin RESA Member Systems

- Butts County
- Fayette County
- Griffin - Spalding County
- Henry County
- Lamar County
- Newton County
- Pike County
- Thomaston
-Upson County



Approved Certification Areas: Middle Grades (4-8)

- Language Arts
- Math
- Reading
- Science
- Social Studies





Approved Certification Areas: Secondary Education (6-12)

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Business Ed.
- Computer Science/Technology Ed.
- Family/Consumer Science
- Political Science





Approved Certification Areas

- Elementary Education Certification (ECE)
- Elementary/SPED Dual Certification
- Elementary Education Add-on
- Special Education
 - General Curriculum
 - Adaptive Curriculum





Approved Certification Areas

- Foreign Languages
- Music
- Art
- Dance/Theater
- Health/Physical Education
- CTAE (Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education)





TAPP Program Routes

1. Two Years - Typical Route
2. One Year with Requirements Met
3. One Year for Elementary Education Add-on



GaTAPP

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TAPP Route #1

Time Frame and Cost

- **Two years**
- \$4,500 for Year 1
(System Payroll Deduction over 12 months of \$375 per month.)
- \$1,800 for Year 2
(System Payroll Deduction over 12 months of \$150 per month.)

Requirements

- Minimum of Bachelor's Degree
- Passing score GACE II Content Assessment
- Passing score GACE Ethics #360



TAPP Route #2

Time Frame and Cost

- One year
- \$4,500 (System Payroll Deduction over 12 months of \$375 per month.)

Requirements

- Meet Route 1 Requirements
- Any of these requirements:
 - Two or more years as a teacher of record in a PK-12 accredited school
 - Master's Degree of Education in Content Area
 - Receiving CTAE Certification





TAPP Route #3

Elementary Add-on Certification

Time Frame and Cost

- One year
- \$2,400 (System Payroll Deduction over 12 months of \$200 per month.)

Requirements

- Pass GACE II in Early Childhood Education
- Hold a P-5 position with one of our member systems.
- Already hold a teaching certificate



Thank you to our member systems.

- Payroll Deduction through Systems
- This agreement with the systems will help alleviate the financial hardship on TAPP candidates.
- If a candidate withdraws from TAPP, he/she will be responsible for repayment to the system. We do not offer refunds for TAPP Tuition.





TAPP Support

- Griffin RESA TAPP Field Supervisor
- School Based Mentor
- 7+ classroom observations with feedback from your support team each year
- 100+ hours of instruction
 - Classroom Management
 - Curriculum
 - Assessment
 - Social/Emotional Learning
 - Differentiated Instruction
 - Ethics/Professionalism
 - Special Education
 - Lesson Planning



Completion Requirements

- Proficient Portfolio and Griffin RESA Assessment of Competencies
- Proficient Observations by the TAPP Field Supervisor
- Proficient Observations by the Building Level Administrator
- Completed Classroom Observations by School Mentor.
- Completion of Required Coursework (See Slide 19).
- Attend monthly TAPP Seminars.



Required Coursework

All Certifications

- Identification of the Exceptional Child
- Understanding and Support the Dyslexic Learner
- Technology 101
- Reading Foundations
- Any additional assigned Professional Learning as needed.



Specific Certifications

- The Teaching of Reading (P-12) – (Middle Grades and Special Education Only)
- Nature and Needs of the Middle Grades Learner (Middle Grades Content only)
- Demonstration of Reading Foundations (Elementary Education, SPED/ELE Dual, MG Reading)



TAPP Enrollment

| | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | 2023-2024 |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total # of Interns | 171 | 154 | 155 | 185 | 150 |
| % in Elementary School | 35% | 34% | 37% | 41% | 48% |
| % in Middle School | 36% | 35% | 30% | 27% | 28% |
| % in High School | 29% | 31% | 33% | 32% | 24% |

Griffin RESA's TAPP Program supports 29 teaching fields this year. 19% of TAPP interns are in the field of Special Education.





2024 Griffin RESA Job Fair

- Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024
- Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Location: Luella High School



603 Walker Drive, Locust Grove, Georgia

What to bring with you: At least 15 copies of a one-page resume to provide System Human Resources and School Representatives.

Representatives from the Griffin RESA TAPP (Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy) will also be on hand to answer questions for eligible participants.





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Thank you for your interest in the Griffin
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