



GRIFFIN REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY

# Welcome to the Griffin RESA GATAPP Information Night!

Georgia Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy

November 30, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

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Ms. Michelle Pitts, Professional Learning Director & Student Services

Ms. Mollie Hall, TAPP Coordinator

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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
- Henry County
- Lamar County
- Newton County
- Pike County
- Griffin - Spalding 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

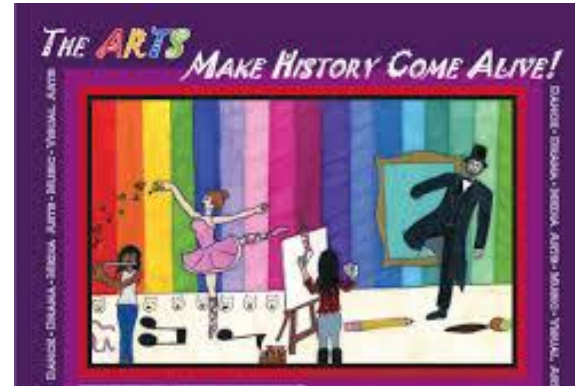
- Elementary Education Certification (ECE)
- Elementary/SPED Dual Certification
- Elementary Education Add-on
- Special Education
  - General Curriculum
  - Adaptive Curriculum





# Approved Certification Areas

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





# TAPP Program Routes

1. Two years
2. One year with Requirements Met
3. One year for Elementary Education Add-on





# 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 Program Admissions (PAA)  
  
Can Exempt with Verbal/Math Test scores
  - SAT – 1000
  - ACT – 43
  - GRE - 1030
- 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 an accredited school
  - Master's Degree of Education
  - 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

- Meet GACE Program Admissions 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
  - Ethics/Professionalism
  - Assessment
  - Social/Emotional Learning
  - Differentiated Instruction
  - 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 20).
- Attend monthly TAPP Seminars.



# Required Coursework

## All Certifications

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



## Specific Certifications

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



# TAPP Enrollment

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Total # of Interns	183	161	171	154	155
% in Elementary School	36%	41%	35%	34%	37%
% in Middle School	31%	26%	36%	35%	30%
% in High School	33%	33%	29%	31%	33%

Griffin RESA's TAPP Program supports 25 teaching fields this year. 19% of TAPP interns are in the field of Special Education.





# Virtual Conference Rooms

- If you have questions regarding your path, please visit the TAPP Zoom Links.
- If you would like to speak to County Representatives, please visit the Zoom link for the county desired.
- **You will be in the waiting room so that each of you gets individualized attention.**



# Zoom Links for Question-and-Answer Sessions

## TAPP Department

Candidate	Host Name	Zoom Link
Last Name A - F	Dr. Debbie Collins	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/82843123085">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/82843123085</a>
Last Name G - M	Ms. Shawana R. Griffin	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/82965650719">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/82965650719</a>
Last Name N - S	Ms. Mollie Hall	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84690648014">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84690648014</a>
Last Name T - Z	Dr. Patti Hobby	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84901902404">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84901902404</a>



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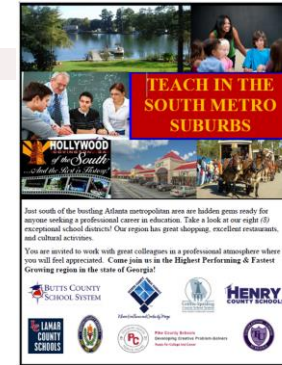
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Butts County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84428260231?pwd=Ym1ab3NTcWFURDdOM2FKWFd5dStUUT09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84428260231?pwd=Ym1ab3NTcWFURDdOM2FKWFd5dStUUT09</a>	826361
Fayette County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84618654952?pwd=Wjl5NVh6Ry9nejU0eDNKNmkrZng3Zz09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/84618654952?pwd=Wjl5NVh6Ry9nejU0eDNKNmkrZng3Zz09</a>	542774
Henry County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/85650003233?pwd=dUlgNE5saDZibEhtWFcwM3lkWnZTUT09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/85650003233?pwd=dUlgNE5saDZibEhtWFcwM3lkWnZTUT09</a>	320213
Lamar County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/87961420999?pwd=aXJ0a2JHelhxc3AvT3ZYeURUU3hCQT09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/87961420999?pwd=aXJ0a2JHelhxc3AvT3ZYeURUU3hCQT09</a>	410248
Newton County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/83006955896?pwd=VzBlc3ZCc2xGYVY5eVVtSmYzYjN2Zz09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/83006955896?pwd=VzBlc3ZCc2xGYVY5eVVtSmYzYjN2Zz09</a>	134321
Pike County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/89499924857?pwd=cm45YytaUkxiNTVWUDZ0b3U4bWJ0dz09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/89499924857?pwd=cm45YytaUkxiNTVWUDZ0b3U4bWJ0dz09</a>	935594
Griffin-Spalding County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/87455724561?pwd=OWc1eFpIUkd4TnhHK0cwNTNKWFBUUT09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/87455724561?pwd=OWc1eFpIUkd4TnhHK0cwNTNKWFBUUT09</a>	796542
Thomaston - Upson County	<a href="https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/86368872463?pwd=V3F3Vi8yRTRhZHRoRG9yaUJZbjlrUT09">https://griffinresa-net.zoom.us/j/86368872463?pwd=V3F3Vi8yRTRhZHRoRG9yaUJZbjlrUT09</a>	500114

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# 2022 Griffin RESA Job Fair

- Date: Saturday, April 30, 2022
- 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.







THANK  
YOU!

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- Thank you for your interest in the GATAPP Program.
- Thank you to the Human Resource Directors from our member school systems for their presence and participation in tonight's information session.
- Thank you to our Executive Director, Dr. Stephanie Gordy.





# For more information:

- [www.griffinresa.net](http://www.griffinresa.net)
- [www.gapsc.com](http://www.gapsc.com)
- [www.gace.ets.org](http://www.gace.ets.org)