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Georgia's top counselors includes three from Gwinnett

Taking note of the support and guidance they provide to **Gwinnett County Public Schools** (GCPS) students, the Georgia School Counselors Association recently selected three Gwinnett educators as the state's top counseling professionals. The three Gwinnett educators will be formally recognized during the Georgia School Counselor Association Annual State Conference, November 9-11, in Macon.

The organization named the following Gwinnett professionals as Georgia's top counseling honorees:

- **David Young, Mountain Park Elementary counselor**
2011 State Counseling Writer of the Year
- **Dorothy Parker-Jarrett, Summerour Middle principal**
2011 State Counseling Advocate of the Year
- **Dianne Thompson, director of advisement and counseling**
2011 State Counseling Supervisor of the Year

Mr. Young and Ms. Parker-Jarrett earned Georgia's top counseling honors after being named county level and Region 2 winners earlier this year. Gwinnett County counselors are consistently among the most recognized in the country in state and national honors. In 2010, three Gwinnett educators also were named state winners.

Photographs of Gwinnett's counseling honorees are available upon request.

For more about the award winners and the counselor's role in GCPS, news media representatives can contact Dianne Thompson, director of advisement and counseling, at 678-301-7372.

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