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GCEE Newsletter - October 2024



LETTER FROM THE GCEE TEAM
A Time to Celebrate

Let's raise a glass and toast National Economic Education Month!

Now in its fourth year, this special month celebrates the importance of teaching and understanding

economics. Economics touches every aspect of our daily lives, teaching us that scarcity forces us to make choices, each with its own cost. Students who understand these fundamental principles are better equipped to make informed decisions. By learning how the economy works, young people develop the ability to manage their limited resources efficiently, applying these skills to broader aspects of life. Economic education is not merely a subject but an important tool that shapes students into responsible, engaged citizens, ready to build brighter futures.

To ensure students' success, fostering decision-making skills early in life is essential. Teachers play a critical role in this effort, and providing them with innovative and meaningful educational opportunities is important to fostering prosperity in their students' lives and the communities they serve. Incorporating economic education in K-12 classrooms is vital, as even young learners can understand basic concepts that enhance their view of the economic world. Equipping K-12 educators with high-quality training and resources ensures that students have the knowledge and skills to make informed decisions as individuals and active community members, empowering them to shape their futures.

Please follow us on [Twitter/X \(@Georgiaecon\)](#) to see and read about the many exciting programs and events we will be delivering for the next 31 days (and some are listed in the story below).

Happy National Economic Education Month to one and all! Let's make it a good one.

- Mike, Chris, Angie, Melissa



ECON ED MONTH
SPECIAL EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

CELEBRATING ECONOMICS

What's on Tap for Economic Education Month

A special month deserves outstanding professional development opportunities for Georgia's K-12 teachers. With 20+ events, workshops, and webinars planned for National Economic Education Month during October, the GCEE team will traverse the state to ensure that educators and students everywhere have opportunities to learn valuable economic lessons.

Get ready for some unique and engaging events during National Economic Education Month! Highlights include the **Second Annual Econ Ed Month Trivia Spectacular** at [Torched Hop Brewery](#) in Atlanta, a visit to the fascinating [Tellus Museum](#) in Cartersville, a thought-provoking "**There is no such thing as a free beverage**" event at the [Georgia Council for the Social Studies Conference](#) in Athens, and a fun-filled dinner event that will include a **Waffle House food truck**.

For those who can't make it to our physical workshops, we've got you covered. GCEE will also be hosting webinars focusing on the **Teacher Retirement System**, **Marginal Revolution University** resources, and the **economics of elections**. These webinars are designed to be accessible to K-12 teachers across Georgia, ensuring that no one misses out on these valuable learning opportunities.

Visit our [website](#) to learn more and to register for these exciting professional development opportunities.



ECON ED MONTH
FEATURED TEACHERS

TEACHER RECOGNITION

Celebrating Excellence in Education for Econ Ed Month

In honor of Economic Education Month, GCEE is thrilled to spotlight **three exceptional educators** who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to teaching economics, thanks to their participation in our workshops. Each of these teachers has been instrumental in bringing creative and engaging economic education to their students, and we are excited to recognize their achievements.

Victoria Mapp-Jonathan, Greene County Primary School, Greensboro, GA (Greene County School System)



Victoria Mapp-Jonathan is a shining example of how GCEE’s resources can transform classrooms. “GCEE has provided many opportunities to teach our students the importance of making good economic choices,” Victoria shares. “The workshops are designed to provide educators with creative ways to teach economics and personal finance. It is an honor to be recognized by GCEE this month. GCEE provides informational workshops and resources that benefit our students. They provide me with creative strategies to implement in a classroom setting that engage students to think outside the box. Thank you for enhancing my knowledge of economics.”

Kristina Grubbs, South Effingham Middle School, Guyton, GA (Effingham County Schools)



Kristina Grubbs has found GCEE’s workshops to be a game-changer in her teaching approach. “The GCEE workshops taught me strategies to make economics content more engaging and enjoyable,” Kristina explains. “As a result, I have witnessed a significant increase in student understanding and engagement. I view GCEE as the standard for excellence in economic education, so I am honored by this recognition.” Her enthusiasm and dedication reflect the high standards GCEE sets for economic education.

Matthew Queener, Coahulla Creek High School, Dalton, GA (Whitfield County Schools)



Matthew Queener’s appreciation for GCEE’s professional development is palpable. “All professional development should mimic GCEE’s approach,” Matthew says. “GCEE gets right down to business. Knowledge of the content and standards are enhanced through hands-on activities taught by the very best, Dr. Chris Cannon. I think there must have been a mistake. There are so many great teachers out there! I’m very grateful.” Matthew’s feedback highlights the effectiveness and impact of GCEE’s approach in delivering

practical and engaging economic education.

Congratulations to our Featured Teachers for October! Your dedication to economic education is truly inspiring, and we are honored to recognize your exceptional contributions.

The Georgia Council on Economic Education is proud to support teachers like **Victoria, Kristina, and**

Matthew through our workshops and resources. Our mission is to equip educators with the tools and knowledge necessary to foster economic understanding among students. To nominate an outstanding K-12 teacher for this honor, please contact GCEE Program Manager [Angie Battle](#).

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