

Tuesday, September 20

Pre-Conference

3:00 p.m.	GACIS Board of Directors Meeting	Olympia 2
5:30 p.m.	GACIS Board of Directors Dinner	Porterhouse

Wednesday, September 21

GaDOE CURRICULUM DIRECTORS' CONFERENCE PARTNERSHIPS FOR SUCCESS

7:30 - 8:30 a.m Conference Check-in and Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. GaDOE Conference (Lunch Provided)

Thursday, September 22

51st ANNUAL GACIS FALL CONFERENCE NAVIGATING TOMORROW TOGETHER

7:00 a.m. Conference Check-in and Onsite Registration	Atrium
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Breakfast and Visit Expo	Atrium Grand Hall 1-6
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8:00 a.m. Opening General Session	Theatre
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Welcome

Dr. Marianne Cole, GACIS President
Heard County Schools

National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance
Gianna Hamlin, Putnam County High School/4-H Clovers
and Company

8:15-8:30 a.m.

Recognition of Sponsors	Theatre
Dr. Claire Buck , GACIS Executive Director	

8:30-10:00 a.m.

Keynote Speaker

John Almarode, Ph.D.

Clarity for Learning

Dr. John Almarode will focus on *Clarity for Learning Five Essential Practices That Empower Students and Teachers*. Teacher clarity is both a method and a mindset, and it has an effect size of 0.75 (Hattie, 2009). With the ever-changing landscape of education, teachers and leaders often find themselves searching for clarity in a sea of standards, curriculum resources, and competing priorities. *Clarity for Learning* offers a simple and doable approach to developing clarity and sharing it with students. It's teaching that is organized and intentional. Teacher clarity just requires that you know what students need to learn, communicate learning intentions and success criteria to students, and deliver lessons in a coherent way so students will learn more. Dr. Almarode will address the rollout of the new Math Standards using *Clarity* to support that rollout.

10:00-10:15 a.m.

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10:15 -10:45 a.m. Break and Visit Expo

**Atrium
Grand Hall 1-6**

10:45 - 11:45 a.m. Best Practices Breakout Sessions I

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch

Grand Hall 7

Visit Expo

**Atrium
Grand Hall 1-6**

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Best Practices Breakout Sessions II

2:00 - 2:30 p.m. Break and Visit Expo

**Atrium
Grand Hall 1-6**

2:30 - 3:15 p.m. General Session

Theatre

Keynote Speakers

The Future of Accreditation: A Re-envisioned Accreditation Protocol

Dr. Greg Arnsdorff, Cognia Senior Director, Georgia

Terri Johnson, Cognia Director, Georgia

3:15 - 4:00 p.m. GACIS Business Meeting **Theatre**
Induction Ceremony
Award Ceremony

Door Prizes (must be present to win)

4:00 p.m. Reception (wine, beer, softdrinks, hors d'oeuvres) **Atrium**

Honoring Deborah White, Retired GACIS Executive Director

Friday, September 23

7:00 - 7:45 a.m. Networking Breakfast **Grand Hall 7**

8:00 a.m. General Session **Theatre**

Presiding

Travis Nesmith, GACIS President
Effingham County Schools

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.

Keynote Speaker

Michael Kobito, 2023 Georgia Teacher of the Year

8:45-10:15 a.m.

Keynote Speaker

Nancy Frey, Ph.D.

Addressing the Rebound in Literacy and Math

Dr. Nancy Frey will share evidence-based practices and recommendations for reinvesting and rebounding in Literacy and Math. Recently Frey and her colleagues released, *Rebound: Rebuilding Agency, Accelerating Learning Recovery, and Rethinking Schools*: For more than 2 years now, we educators have been tested and tested again. We've been stretched, we've been pulled, we've been put through the wringer. But now it's time to "rebound." It's time to bounce back, come back better, and benefit from the many lessons learned to reignite engagement, accelerate learning, and move forward with fresh optimism and better systems for schooling.

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Grand Hall 1-6

10:54 a.m. General Session

Theatre

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Keynote Speaker

Steve Pemberton

The Lighthouse Effect

USA Today Bestseller **Steve Pemberton** will discuss his new book, the ***Lighthouse Effect***. The lighthouse effect is the idea that any single one of us can be a "lighthouse" for someone else. In other words, a hero, or an inspiration. Steve's book highlights the importance of being that lighthouse for others, but also finding one for ourselves. In this stirring follow-up to his memoir, Steve Pemberton gives practical encouragement for how you can be a "human lighthouse" for others and through these inspiring stories will renew your hope for humanity. This keynote address will be a **follow-up message** from Steve's presentation on A ***Chance in the World*** at the **2022 GACIS Winter Conference**.

12:15 p.m Door Prizes (must be present to win)

Conference Concludes