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# Morning Announcements: GCAE NEWS

*The Guilford County Association of Educators is the member local of NCAE and NEA.  
We are a member based organization representing all GCS employees, both classified and certified staff.*

Check out our updated website! [www.gcae4me.org](http://www.gcae4me.org)  
News, events, resources, and more!

Greetings!

## BTOP BEGINNING TEACHER ORGANIZING PROGRAM



GCAE's BTOP cohort hosted their second coffee house this year, with a successful 25 guest turnout! This social allowed new teachers with 0-5 years of experience to relax, network and meet members of GCAE while enjoying appetizers on the house! Interested in learning more? Email BTOP Coordinator, Sabrina Peacock at [peacocs@gcsnc.com](mailto:peacocs@gcsnc.com).

Working in NC public schools is no joke.

This is a time of year where we feel so far away from where we began and so far from the finish.

Some points of hope:

\*Schools with issues are reaching out to us and we are helping to resolve building level complaints. Let us know if you need help.

\*We won 6 out of 9 endorsed GCAE candidates for Greensboro City Council!

\* 2018 will be a big year for public education electorally. Working together we will see the start of the relief we need. Hang in there!

Thank you for all that you do. *-Todd Warren  
President, Guilford County Association of Educators*

## Save the Date!

Community  
Conversation at  
Scuppernong Books  
Thurs, Dec 14 , 5pm

Join us at Scuppernong Books,  
304 S Elm St in Greensboro for  
a community conversation on  
what public schools need. What  
are we doing to keep educators  
in NC?

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GCAE members Ebonie Jones, fourth grade science teacher at Oak View and Brittney Dennis, third grade teacher at Irving Park Elementary present on best practices at the NCCTM17. These teachers shared innovative ways to build accountability for math centers as well as effective practices that help with fractions.



**GCAE**  
**TEACHER**  
**LEADERS**

GCAE Members Juandalynn Jones-Hunt and Michaela Hafley, both GCS Visual Art Teachers attended the NCAEA State Conference in Wilmington this October! Teachers attended presentations to get new ideas for the classroom, workshops to hone their own art skills, and meetings to be updated on the happenings in the arts around the state. It was a fantastic time to learn, grow, and connect with other artists and art teachers in North Carolina!



**GCAE Member Karen Page Nominated for NCAE ESP of the Year**  
Congratulations to Karen Page! Karen has been nominated as NCAE ESP of the Year. ESPs are Education Support Personnel and are integral to student success. Karen has 27 years experience and is a long-time NCAE Association Rep at Vandalia. She is a firm advocate for the members in her building, and she can always be counted on to move the mission of the organization. Karen consistently participates in local and state NCAE initiative and keeps Vandalia Elementary in the loop every step of the way. She was instrumental in ensuring that the members in her building converted their association dues payments from payroll to EFT at a high rate.



### Ray's Corner: *Greetings from Ray Riffe, NCAE Uniserv Director*



NCAE has initiated a 'Renaissance Locals' program for the 2017-18 school year. The initiative is points-based and built to encourage, recognize, and reward locals that show success in areas pertaining to the engagement of new educators in one-on-one conversations, recruitment of new members, reclamation of former members, and strengthening the Association Representative (AR) structure. Read more @ [gcae4me.org](http://gcae4me.org)!