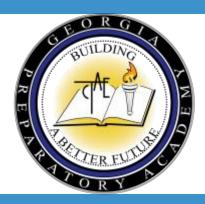
# GEORGIA PREPARATORY ACADEMY

## SPECIAL EDUCATION NEWSLETTER



# PARENT INFORMATION

#### Latest News

# Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) Parent Survey

The Parent Satisfaction Survey helps the state Department of Education to determine parents' perception of the success of parent engagement between the local school and themselves. Each state is required to conduct a parent survey collection process to measure parent/family needs and perceptions.

The 2019 Parent Survey is available in English and Spanish. The survey is open now to all families of students with disabilities in the state and will remain open through May 31, 2019.

Please make your voice heard and complete the online survey today at <a href="www.gadoe.org/Parent-Survey">www.gadoe.org/Parent-Survey</a>. If you do not have access to a computer, please contact your child's school in order to make arrangements to participate or you may contact:

Doricia Thompson, Parent Mentor doriciathompson@djj.state.ga.us or 404-508-6689.



### PARENT TO PARENT

Parent to Parent of Georgia offers a variety of services to Georgia families impacted by disabilities or special healthcare needs.

For more information or for assistance call 800-229-203 or visit p2ppga.org.

## Five Ways to Help Students with Special Needs

Maintain an organized classroom and limit distractions. ...

Use music and voice inflection. ...

Break down instruction into smaller, manageable tasks. ...

Use multi-sensory strategies. ...

Give students with special needs opportunities for success.

www.specialneeds.com



# **Working Together for Student Success**

Research is clear, regular communication between parents and teachers is key to improving student achievement. As a parent, you know your child better than anyone else; you know your child's strengths and weaknesses. Share your knowledge to help teachers better understand your child's learning style and interests. The more teachers know about your child and culture, the more they will be able to make lessons more meaningful and connected to your child's experiences.



### GETTING INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

Research has shown that there are many benefits when families are involved in their child's education that includes:

Students are more willing to learn, and they feel better about themselves. They get better grades and attend school more regularly.

They are more likely to graduate from grade school or high school and are more likely to continue their education.

Students are also less likely to use drugs and alcohol, and they have fewer instances of violent behavior and suspensions.

Students feel supported, and there is greater support for schools.

Parents, you are your child's best advocate and ally. We encourage you to get involved today.