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SHES Dr. Jackson ~ 2018 GA Distinguished Principal, District 11



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Shirley Hills Elementary School Principal Dr. Traci Jackson has been selected as the **2018 Georgia Distinguished Principal** for District 11. The Georgia Association of Elementary School Principals (GAESP) annually identifies exemplary school leaders in 16 districts through the Georgia Distinguished Principal program. One principal from each district is chosen by their peers to represent their district at the state level.

Dr. Jackson commented, “It is an honor to receive this recognition from my colleagues. There is no greater calling than being called to teach and no greater outcome than learning. Learning is our ‘Goal of the Day,’ every day.”

GAESP award criteria include that a principal must:

- be respected by students, colleagues, parents and the community at large;
- demonstrate commitment and service to the community;
- exhibit strong leadership skills and high expectations;
- demonstrate outstanding contributions to the well-being of the educational community; and
- show commitment to excellence by offering programs designed to meet the academic and social needs of students and staff.

GAESP strives to equip leaders with research based practices that advance student learning. GAESP believes that communication is the key to success, the principal is the instructional leader of the school and that high expectations for all children and staff are essential. Shirley Hills Elementary School is located at 300 Mary Lane in Warner Robins. For more information, please visit <http://www.gael.org/affiliates/gaesp-a/> or contact Dr. Jackson at 478-929-7824 or Traci.Jackson@hcbe.net.

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