



## CCSD Teachers of the Year

### 2016-17 Teachers of the Year



**Elizabeth Dunlap**  
ALP Teacher  
Fair Oaks Elementary



**Jacquie Mericka-Brand**  
Science Teacher  
Palmer Middle School



**Paulette Allard**  
Science Teacher  
Harrison High School

## 2016-17 Individual Cobb Schools' Teachers of the Year

Selected from among their peers, Cobb Schools' Teachers of the Year are among the best and most celebrated educators in our district. Highlighted for their expert use of instructional and academic strategies, the list of TOTYs represents Cobb's most distinguished and well-respected professionals. They are known as teacher leaders, tireless champions of their students and mentors and coaches of their fellow educators and staff. **Congratulations to this year's Teachers of the Year!**

Location	Name	GradeSubject
Acworth	Kyla McRorie	4th Grade
Addison	Lindsey Barkley	5th Grade
Allatoona	Craig Dean	Social Studies
Argyle	Roslyn Burton	1st Grade
Austell	Noel O'Brien	iMation Tech Lab
Awtrey Middle	Kelly Emmett	Science 6th Grade
Baker	Earla Reece	3rd Grade
Barber Middle	Jacalyn Ruh	SPED 7th Grade
Bells Ferry	Lauren Stuckey	3rd Grade
Belmont Hills	Martha Petitpre-Harris	IRR
Big Shanty	Lindsay Robichaux	3rd Grade
Birney	Vanita Deepnarain	ESOL

Blackwell	Pamela Bone	MOID K-2nd Grade
Brumby	Sandra Lake	Technology Coach
Bryant	Faye Keen	Academic Coach
Bullard Elementary	Blair Ivey	3rd Grade
Campbell High	Joshua S. Kimball	CTAE Law & Justice
Campbell Middle	Amanda Childress	Social Studies/Gifted 8th Grade
Chalker	Deborah Duncan	1st Grade
Cheatham Hill	Rocio Gonzalez	Special Ed
Clarkdale Elementary	Beth Morris	Art
Clay	Sujatha Kenathingal-Vapati	MID
Compton	Megan O'Connell	Kindergarten
Cooper Middle	Japonika Francis	Science 7th Grade
Daniell Middle	Jeff Montgomery	Physical Education
Davis	Lisa Darrow	IRR
Dickerson Middle	Christy Sheridan	SPED 8th Grade
Dodgen Middle	Barb Kane	ELA 7th Grade
Dowell	Derron O'Connor	EBD
Due West	Justin Duff	Music
Durham Middle	Michele Willis	Study Skills
East Cobb Middle	Lynn Boykin	Math 8th
East Side	Patricia Morrison	Kindergarten
Eastvalley	Terri Henderson	Kindergarten
Fair Oaks	Elizabeth Dunlap	ALP
Floyd Middle	Daniel Harbert	Physical Science 8th Grade
Ford	Craig Hurley	Music
Frey	Amanda Lassiter	1st Grade
Garrett Middle	Monica Hobbs	Language Arts
Garrison Mill	Jill Clark	1st Grade
Green Acres Elementary	Marian Hoyt	4th Grade
Griffin Middle	Sarah Rabun	Chorus
Harmony Leland	Tiffany Ramirez	1st Grade
Harrison	Paulette Allard	Science

HAVEN	Rhonda McKitt	Media Specialist
Hayes	Lindsay Corris	Academic Coach
Hendricks	Renee' Heiberger	EIP
Hightower Trail Middle	Lauren Gray	Language Arts 7th Grade
Hillgrove	Michael Teters	Physics
Hollydale	Samantha Brown	ESOL
Intl Academy of Smyrna	Melanie Gee-Lai	
Keheley	Kelley Williams	ALP
Kell	Spencer Herron	Broadcast Video
Kemp	Monique Bussell	5th Grade
Kennesaw	Michele Dunn	2nd Grade
Kennesaw Mountain	Nan Lanford	Media Center Specialist
Kincaid	Amy Tenisci	IRR 1st Grade
King Springs	Patricia Calvin-Thomas	5th Grade
LaBelle	Bruni Taveras	ESOL
Lassiter	Waynette Helms	Science
Lewis	Kathy Linpinsel	Kindergarten
Lindley 6th Grade Academy	Quanda Brown	Math
Lindley Middle	Michelle W. Roberts	Career Connections
Lost Mountain Middle	Chris Murray	MOID Teacher
Lovinggood Middle	Deanna Puckett	Reading
Mableton	Alana Davis	5th Grade
Mabry Middle	Robin Wann	Special Ed 7th Grade
McCall Primary	Kelli Stagich	Academic Coach
McCleskey Middle	Megan O'Keeffe	Band
McClure Middle	Ryan Limpert	Science 6th Grade
McEachern	Heather Langley	ESOL
Milford Elementary	Linda Johns	Media Center Specialist
Mount Bethel	Ann Saour	Special Ed 3rd Grade
Mountain View	Emily Merritt	Special Ed Pre-School
Murdock	Charlene Sinuefield	IRR
Nicholson	Jessica Boyd	3rd Grade

Nickajack	Cynthia Wood	2nd Grade
North Cobb	Lindsay Theaker	English
Norton Park	Laurylyn Sanchez	Media Center Specialist
Osborne	Claire Farmer	Special Ed Transition Academy
Palmer Middle	Jacque Mericka Brand	Physical Science 8th Grade
Pebblebrook	Marvin Phinizy	Social Studies
Pickett's Mill	Allison Gurski	5th Grade
Pine Mountain Middle	Debra Yesner	Reading/S.S. 7th Grade
Pitner	Stephanie Caracelo	4th Grade
Pope	Christine Robinson	Math
Powder Springs	Veronica Brown	2nd Grade
Powers Ferry	Helen Wilcox	Kindergarten
Riverside Intermediate	Wanda Richerzhagen	3rd Grade
Riverside Primary	Schament Reid	Kindergarten
Rocky Mount	Melinda Chaney	3rd Grade
Russell	Tiffany Draper	Academic Coach
Sanders	Chanda Steve	ALP
Sedalia Park	Cecily Merchant	Kindergarten
Shallowford Falls	Candice Davies	1st Grade
Simpson Middle	Kathy Peters	Math
Smitha Middle	Yvonne White	AC Life Science 7th Grade
Smyrna	Amber Henning	Reading 1st Grade
Sope Creek	Michelle Patterson	3rd Grade
South Cobb	Shawn Carr	Social Studies
Sprayberry	Natasha Beemon	Social Studies
Still	Abby Balkema	Physical Education
Tapp Middle	Erin Cole	Band
Teasley	Kaylene Brooks	Art
Timber Ridge	Alyssa Brantley	2nd Grade
Tritt	Alexa Dean	Innovation
Varner Elementary	Erin Renna	Media Center Specialist
Vaughan	Nancy Gospodareck	1st Grade

Walton

Kathleen Petka

Visual Arts

Wheeler

Patsy Kraj

ESOL

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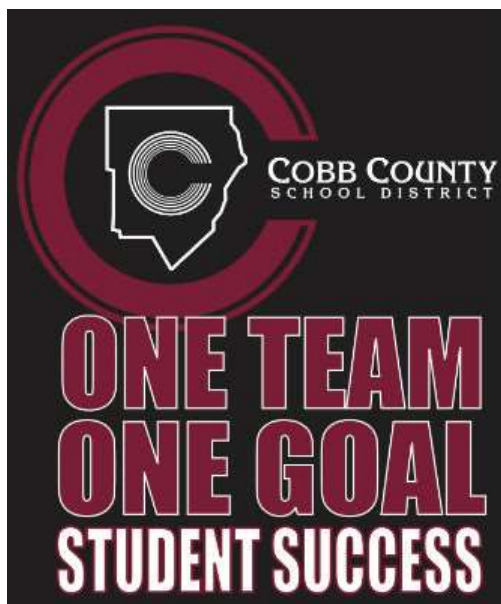
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