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## Fulton County Schools employees to be honored for their years of service

### *Georgia Teacher of the Year to deliver keynote address at June 28 event*

Fulton County Schools will celebrate with more than 100 retirees and their guests Thursday, June 28, at this year's The Next Chapter Retirement Dinner. Allison Kerley Townsend, the 2019 Georgia Teacher of the Year, will deliver the keynote address at the salute to the district's dedicated retirees, many of whom have devoted more than 30 years to education.

Held at the Marriott Marquis in downtown Atlanta, the semiformal event begins with a reception at 5 p.m. followed by the 6 p.m. recognitions program in the Imperial Ballroom. The celebration also includes music and dancing that begins at 8 p.m.

Townsend, a third-grade teacher at Barnwell Elementary School, was selected Georgia's Teacher of the Year in May. She is dedicated to having an impact on students and teachers beyond her own classroom and making her mark on education at the global level. From presenting at conferences to using Twitter as a window into her classroom, she has made connections with educators all over the world.

The Marriott Marquis is located at 265 Peachtree Center Avenue. Hotel parking is \$12 by valet only.

More event details are posted at <http://www.fultonschools.org/retirees>, including [names of retirees](#) being honored this year.

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**About the Fulton County School System.** The Fulton County School System is the fourth largest school system in Georgia. Approximately 96,500 students attend 105 schools in the cities of Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, Roswell, Sandy Springs, South Fulton and Union City.