



# Georgia Regional Educational Service Agencies

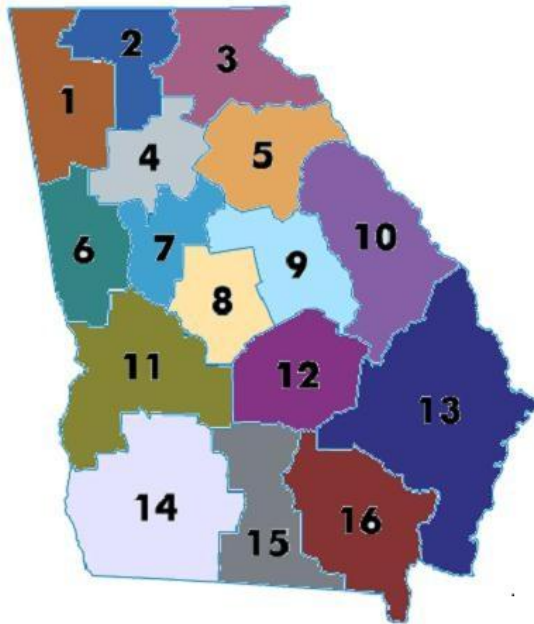
# (RESAs)

# *What is RESA?*

RESA is an acronym for Regional Educational Service Agency. RESAs (formally CESAs) have been in existence since 1966. There are 16 RESAs serving the 180 school systems across the State.



# Georgia RESAs



- \* COASTAL PLAINS RESA (15)
- \* CSRA RESA (10)
- \* CHATTAHOOCHEE-FLINT RESA (11)
- \* FIRST DISTRICT RESA (13)
- \* GRIFFIN RESA (7)
- \* HEART OF GEORGIA RESA (12)
- \* METRO RESA (4)
- \* MIDDLE GEORGIA RESA (8)
- \* NORTH GEORGIA RESA (2)
- \* NORTHEAST GEORGIA RESA (5)
- \* NORTHWEST GEORGIA RESA (1)
- \* OCONEE RESA (9)
- \* OKEFENOKEE RESA (16)
- \* PIONEER RESA (3)
- \* SOUTHWEST GEORGIA RESA (14)
- \* WEST GEORGIA RESA (6)

# *RESAs MISSION*

The mission of Georgia's Statewide Network of Regional Educational Service Agencies (**RESAs**) is to support the work, improvement, and effectiveness of local systems and schools through:

- Research-based professional learning that improves the work of educators.
- Data-driven school improvement support that improves student achievement.
- Locally-determined shared regional services that increase the effectiveness of school systems.
- Effective collaboration with other agencies that maximizes the impact of statewide initiatives.

# *Purpose of RESA*

The goal of each RESA is to help local school systems meet their education needs through the sharing of services across school system lines. Numerous educational services can be offered more effectively and efficiently by pooling resources. All RESAs are required to provide services in the seven areas of:

1. Research and Planning
2. Professional Development
3. Curriculum and Instruction
4. Assessment and Evaluation
5. Technology
6. Health
7. School Improvement



# Key RESA Services

Alternative Routes to Certification	Professional Learning
Audiological Clinic	Professional Resource Library
Board Training	Reading/ELA Instructional Support
Cooperative Purchasing	Records Management
Curriculum Support	Recruitment
Data Warehouse Services	Repair Services
Educational Professional Resource Library	Safe & Drug Free Schools & Communities
Educational Technology Centers	School Environment Services
Georgia Learning Resources System (GLRS)	School Improvement
Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)	Science Instructional Support
Georgia Youth Sci & Tech Centers (GYSTC)	Social Studies Instructional Support
Job Alike Groups	Student Services
Make-it/Take-it Classroom Materials Center	Surveys
Mathematical Instructional Support	Teacher Certifications
Psychological Services	Youth Apprenticeship

# *RESAs: Guaranteeing a Strong System of Support*

- Regional service agencies strengthened to better promote the spread of successful practices to all schools.
- Certain operational functions consolidated to achieve greater economy.
- Shared governance and leadership for multiple school districts increased.
- Comprehensive professional development opportunities made available for all staff.
- Structured learning communities emerging across district lines.

# *How Are RESAs Governed?*



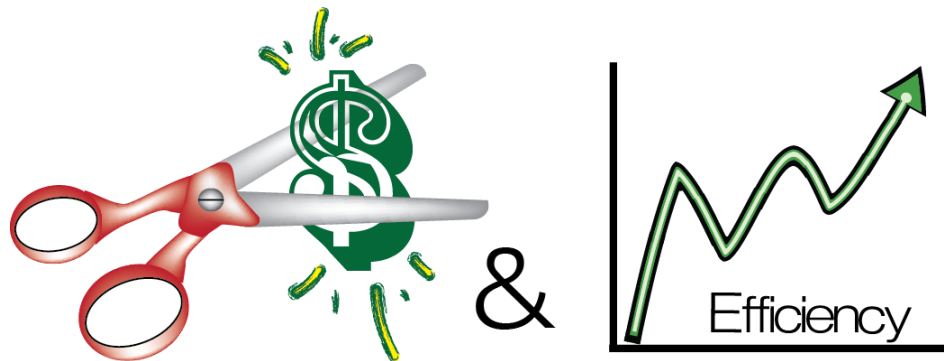
## Local Boards of Control:

- Superintendents
- Higher Education
- Public Library



*RESA Governance . . .*

# Model of Efficiency



# *RESA Accountability*

- Boards of Control
- RESA Standards for Service
- GADOE
- Internal



# RESAs THINK *regionally* and ACT *locally*!



# *RESAs Partner with GaDOE*

## School Improvement

- Needs Improvement Schools
- GAPSS Reviews
- Professional Learning
- School Improvement Plans
- Leadership Team Development



# *RESAs Partner with GaDOE cont.*

## Common Core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS)

- All major content areas

### Major Areas of Focus

- Math and Reading/ELA rollout
- Follow-up support & training



# *RESAs Partner with GaDOE cont.*

## Special Education

- Georgia Learning Resources Systems (GLRS)
- Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)
- School Improvement (SWD)
- Special Education support for system Directors



# *RESAs Partner with GaDOE cont.*

## Curriculum Support

- English Language Learners (ELL) initiatives
- Regional DOE Meetings/Trainings
- Graduation Coaches
- GA School Keys/Leader Keys/CLASS Keys CTAE
- Evaluation– GTEP/GLEI/Counselors/Media Specialist/Speech & Language Pathologists
- Distribution Point for...
  - DOE Materials & information
  - Holocaust Trunk Project



# *RESAs Partnership with Other State Agencies*

## Professional Standards Commission

- GA TAPP (~1,700 candidates, 2007-2009)
- Endorsements
- Recruitment
- Transition to Teaching Grants



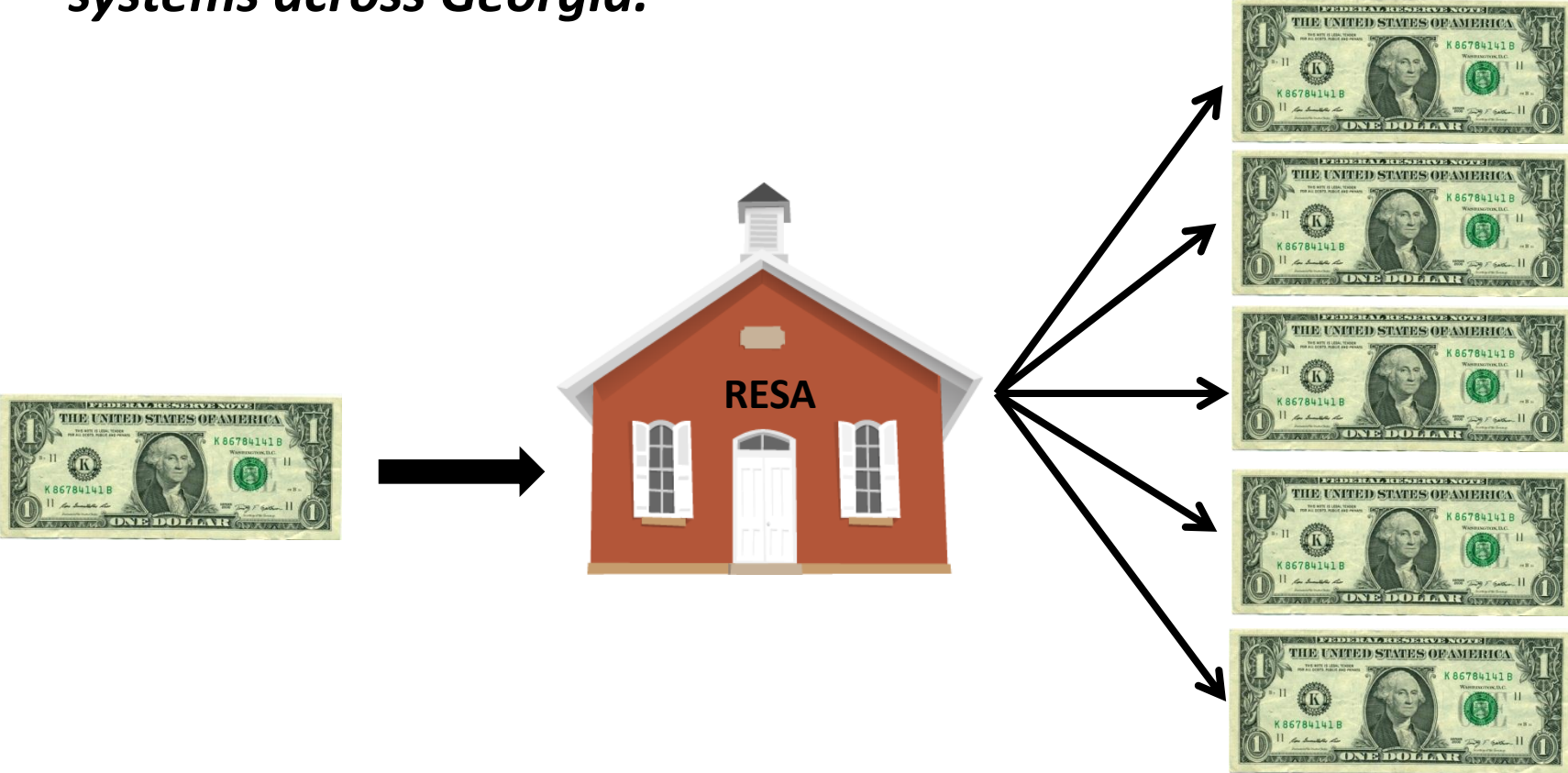


# *Program Management/Partnerships*

- Youth Apprenticeship Program
- Cooperative Purchasing/Equipment Repair
- Shared Services
- PSC
- GNETS
- GLRS
- Ga DOE
- Drug-Free Schools
- GA TAPP
- GYSTC
- Department of Natural Services (DNR)



***For every dollar of revenue received, RESAs generate many dollars of savings for schools and school systems across Georgia.***



# ESTIMATED COST SAVINGS

Region <i>Example from one RESA in the:</i>	RESA Savings	Average Savings Per Region
Southern Region	\$4,320,484	\$ 6,736,646
Eastern Region	\$5,948,974	\$12,946,652
Western Region	\$1,648,539	\$ 4,783,757
Middle Region	\$5,363,251	\$ 9,838,211
Northern Region	\$5,810,809	\$13,516,112
Average Savings Per FTE		\$48.54
State Total FTE Count		1,630,672
<b>Total Savings</b>		<b>\$79,152,819</b>
<p><b>Using a cost sampling method on FTE at all RESAs, School Systems across the State of Georgia saved almost <u>\$80,000,000</u> !!</b></p>		

# *ESTIMATED COST SAVINGS...CONT.*

**Education Division** ~ **\$70,900,000**

Professional Learning, Consultant Services,  
Instructional Technology, etc.

**Cooperative Purchasing** ~ **\$ 4,100,000**

School Supplies, Janitorial, Art and Instruction, etc.

**Student Services** ~ **\$ 1,500,000**

Audiology, Vision Impaired, Orientation & Mobility,  
Physical Therapy, etc.

**Equipment/Repair Services** ~ **\$ 3,500,000**

Audio Visual, Computer, Business Machines,  
CRT/LCD, etc.

**Estimated Cost Savings:** ~ **\$80,000,000**



# “Working Cooperatively to Maximize Services while Minimizing Costs”

