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**Baldwin County School District Superintendent Dr. Noris Price Receives
Georgia School Superintendents Association President's Award**

The Georgia School Superintendents Association (GSSA) announced the recipients of the GSSA President's Award at its spring Bootstrap Conference in Savannah, Georgia. These awards are given to superintendents for outstanding leadership in their school systems and communities. This year, GSSA recognized Dr. Noris Price, the Superintendent of Baldwin County Schools, for the 2018 Georgia School Superintendents Association (GSSA) President's Award.

Dr. Price has served as the Superintendent of Baldwin County Schools since July 1, 2014. Since becoming Superintendent of Baldwin County Charter District, she has maintained a laser focus on student achievement and improving educational outcomes for all students. Under her leadership, the Baldwin County School District has implemented instructional initiatives and strategies that have resulted in improved student performance and the high school graduation rate increasing from 66% to 88%. Dr. Price has been successful in obtaining over 4 million dollars in grant funds for the Baldwin County Schools and leading the school district through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools/Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS/CASI) district accreditation process.

She believes that public education is still the greatest option for America's children to receive a quality education. Reared in poverty, she believes that through public education, any child, regardless of their race or socioeconomic status, can become a productive member of society and achieve the American Dream.

Blessed with passion and boundless energy she has immersed herself into the community and engaged all stakeholders. She has been able to tell her own story of the great things going on in the Baldwin County School District. Dr. Price understands the importance of networking and engaging all stakeholders. She has served on various boards, including the Milledgeville-Baldwin County Chamber of Commerce, Communities In Schools Board of Directors, United Way Board of Trustees, Development Authority of the City of Milledgeville and Baldwin County, Old Capital Museum Board of Directors, First Lady Sandra Deal Georgia Children's Cabinet, Ocmulgee Judicial Court Advisory Board, Georgia State University Principals Center Advisory Board, Georgia School Boards Association Board of Trustees, State School Superintendent Advisory Council, Get Georgia Reading Campaign Board of Directors, Georgia School Boards Association Superintendent Advisory Council, the Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors, Georgia Association of Elementary School Principals, and the Georgia Charter Schools Association. She has also been a presenter at local, state, and national conferences.

She has embraced her higher education partners, particularly Georgia College and State University. Georgia College students gain practical experience through working and volunteering in classrooms. Georgia College opened The Montessori Academy in the Baldwin County Schools Early Learning Center this past fall. Dr. Price has demonstrated a willingness to tackle difficult issues negatively impacting student achievement in her district.

She continues to be a tireless champion for public education and for Baldwin County. Under her leadership, recently Baldwin County Schools applied for admission and were chosen to participate in the Ford Next Generation Learning Initiative. The Ford Next Generation Learning Initiative is designed to transform teaching and learning and transform the secondary school experience for students and families through business and civic engagement.

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