



Interlocking Communities, Inc.

Involving and improving communities, one family at a time.

October 2020

Dear Gwinnett County Public School Parent,

Students in Gwinnett County Public School (GCPS) system are not required to pass the usual state-mandated exams this year, however your child has been identified by his/her school as needing help to assist them in being successful and being promoted to the next grade. Although it is early in the school year, your child's school believes your child can benefit from this program.

For the twentieth consecutive year, Interlocking Communities, Inc (ICI), a non-profit corporation, in partnership with the GCPS school district, is offering classes to aid your students so they will experience success. The classes are taught by GCPS-certified teachers on 9 consecutive Saturdays beginning January 30, 2021. The dates of classes are January 30, February 6, 13, 20, 27, and March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2021.

If the pandemic situation improves enough that we can hold classes in-person, we will continue the tradition of holding classes in person at Meadowcreek High School on Steve Reynolds Blvd in Norcross from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm or from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for third (new this year), fourth and fifth grade elementary students only. If enrolled, your student will be assigned to one of those two schedules.

If the pandemic situation does not allow in-person classes, we will hold classes online.

More information will be provided to your child's school once we have a final decision and will be provided directly to you when we notify you of your child's enrollment in the program in **early January, 2021**.

Transportation to in-person classes is typically not provided and is the responsibility of the parent. There is no cost involved to attend the free classes, but you must commit to bringing your child to classes and to picking up your child ON TIME and for the entire 9-week session.

In order to apply for enrollment, a student's **grade** must be **at or below a grade of C (79), in Math and /or Language Arts. The student must also be in 3rd, 4th or 5th grade.** Students must meet both criteria **in order to be eligible** to participate in our classes.

IMPORTANT: To apply for enrollment, you may go online at www.ICIEducates.org, click on 'ICI's Gwinnett Academic Assist Program' under 'Community Programs' and follow the links to the 'I-GAAP Online Student Application', or, you may complete the paper application (available in English or Spanish) provided by your school, and return it to your child's teacher by **October 26 2020**. The last date for online enrollment is

November 2, 2020. You will receive a letter no later than **January 9, 2021**, that will let you know whether your child has been accepted into the program and in what form.

Any student who has been accepted into the program but who misses both of the first two weeks of classes, will no longer be eligible to participate in the program.

******* Please keep this letter for your records. *******

For more information, you may contact Louise Radloff at 770-923-4784 or e-mail us at the e-mail address below.

Thank you,
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