

*Dinah Culbreath Wayne*

# EAGLE

Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education  
2022 Leadership Institute



## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

### Monday, March 14, 2022

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| 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  | Registration   | Registration Desk             |
| 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | EAGLE Orientation  | Azalea                        |
| 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. | Dinah Culbreath Wayne<br>EAGLE Opening Luncheon                    | Grand Ballroom                |
| 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  | EAGLE Judging<br>EAGLE Greenroom<br>EAGLE Professional Development | Ivy<br>Highland 1&2<br>Azalea |
| 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  |  |                               |
| 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  | Teacher of the Year – Teacher Feature                              | Library                       |
| 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  | Presidents Council General Session                                 | Buckhead Ballroom             |
| 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  | Program Administrator Session                                      | Highland 3-5                  |
| 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  | EAGLE Dinner with Presidents<br>EAGLE Social Hour                  | Grand Ballroom<br>Azalea      |

### Tuesday, March 15, 2022

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| 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.   | Breakfast   | Grand Ballroom                 |
| 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  | Registration Desk Open  |                                |
| 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  | Teacher of the Year<br>Professional Development   | Library                        |
| 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.   | Board Committee Meetings<br>Academic Affairs<br>External Affairs<br>Operations/Finance/Planning | Ivy 1<br>Ivy 2<br>Highland 1&2 |
| 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  | EAGLE Professional Development  | Azalea                         |
| 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  | Program Administrator Meeting   | Highland 3-5                   |
| 9:35 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  | Board Committee Meetings<br>Adult Education<br>Facilities/Real Estate<br>Gov./Compliance/Audit  | Ivy 1<br>Ivy 2<br>Highland 1&2 |
| 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. | Board General Session   | Buckhead Ballroom              |
| 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  | Dinah Culbreath Wayne<br>EAGLE Awards Luncheon  | Grand Ballroom                 |
| 2:15 p.m.               | Teacher of the Year<br>Professional Development cont.   | Library                        |
| 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.   | EAGLE Excursion   | Georgia Aquarium               |
| 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.   | Program Administrator Meeting cont.   | Highland 3-5                   |
| 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.   | Presidents Council  | Buckhead Ballroom              |
| 6:30 p.m.               | Outstanding Teacher of the Year<br>Recognition Dinner   | Grand Ballroom                 |

### Wednesday, March 16, 2022

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| 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. | Breakfast<br>DEPART | Buckhead Ballroom |
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#GaEAGLE22

**EAGLE**  
Exceptional Adult Georgian In Literacy Education



*Dinah Culbreath Wayne*  
**EXCEPTIONAL ADULT GEORGIAN IN LITERACY EDUCATION**  
Grand Hyatt Buckhead Hotel, March 14-16, 2022

**About the Dinah Culbreath Wayne  
Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy  
Education (EAGLE)**

Launched in 1993, the EAGLE program celebrates 28\* years of recognizing adult learners in pursuit of excellence. The Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education program recognizes and honors students from throughout the state who have demonstrated exceptional achievement in adult education classes. The concept of EAGLE was designed to create a greater awareness of educational opportunities available in local communities across the state and to foster involvement in lifelong learning pursuits. In May of 2021, the EAGLE program was renamed The Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE Award in honor of the late State Board member, Dinah Culbreath Wayne. Mrs. Wayne was a true champion of Adult Education and was committed to helping Georgians across the state change their lives through the obtainment of a high school credential.



**EAGLE Competition Overview**

In 2021, adult education instructors from across the state of Georgia identified their most outstanding adult education students and nominated them for EAGLE recognition based on the students' good standing at the local adult education program, academic achievements within the adult education classroom, and/or the students' transition status into postsecondary education or the workforce. It is not enough to be a regular attendee of the adult education program. Nominees must have combined qualities that include academic progress and an active interest in the community. Students must recognize adult education's critical impact on Georgia's overall economic health.

**Local and Regional EAGLE Winners**

Adult Education students who meet certain EAGLE criteria are nominated to participate in the EAGLE Leadership program. At local competitions, each of the Adult Education programs selects one representative as an EAGLE delegate, who then moves on to compete at the regional level. The regional

competition results in eight delegates, two from each region, selected to compete during the State EAGLE Leadership Institute for the designation of being the 2022 State EAGLE winner. The EAGLE Leadership Institute provides a venue for all of the EAGLE delegates to be recognized, and provides them an opportunity to receive professional development, coaching, and mentoring on topics including leadership, college and career awareness, communication, and life management skills.

**State EAGLE Winner**

Each EAGLE Delegate is an ambassador and spokesperson for literacy, serving local communities by promoting lifelong learning. The 2022 state winner will serve as an ambassador and represent the Office of Adult Education by making public appearances throughout the year. With the inclusion of this year's dynamic 25 EAGLE Delegates, over 1,039 students have been recognized and have served as Adult Education ambassadors. In addition to serving as volunteer role models for family members, friends, neighbors and co-workers,

EAGLE Delegates serve as mentors, peer tutors, and recruiters of other students in local adult education programs.

**EAGLEs Succeed**

There is no better evidence of the powerful impact of adult education programs than the successful achievements of the EAGLE Delegates. They stand as models for others pursuing similar goals in lifelong learning. These EAGLEs make a difference in their communities through education, employment, increased consumer and citizenship skills, improved self-esteem, leadership skills, and increased financial worth from promotions, pay raises, and job advancement.

*\* The EAGLE recognition event was not held in 2021 due to the pandemic.*

## WELCOME FROM THE COMMISSIONER

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2022 Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE Institute! After a one-year hiatus due to COVID-19, I am excited that all of you are here with us to celebrate adult education in Georgia. Our Adult Education team has been working hard to ensure this year's EAGLE Institute is our best one yet.

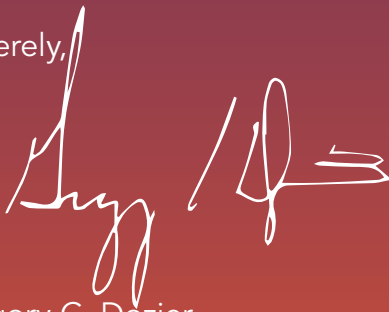
Since our last EAGLE Institute in 2020, there have been some exciting developments in adult education here in Georgia. The Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) now offers multiple options for achieving a high school equivalency (HSE). Two computer-based testing pathways are now available through testing centers or at home—the GED® test and the HiSET® exam. We are also piloting a workforce-based solution to a high school equivalency through joint enrollment called Career Plus HSE. This pathway allows students to take college courses while working toward earning an HSE credential. We have also launched a marketing initiative, It's Go Time, to encourage all Georgians to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities that TCSG offers. We are always striving to meet today's adult education student where they are and to provide flexible options to help more Georgians achieve their dreams.

Our adult education students are some of the most inspiring people you will meet. They are all on a personal journey to improve their lives and the lives of their families through education. We are here to celebrate them and honor their hard work. Each year, we name a student of the year by awarding them the "Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE Award" in honor of TCSG State Board member, Ms. Dinah Wayne. We also thought it was important to recognize those people responsible for teaching our students, which is why we will be naming an Adult Education Teacher of the Year.

These awards represent the absolute best of TCSG and I am truly blessed to be part of an organization that is surrounded with such exceptional people. So, enjoy your time spent at the 2022 EAGLE Institute and learn from the many activities available to you. I look forward to meeting with all of you and learning more about your personal and professional goals. Your journey has just begun and TCSG encourages each of you to keep GOing!

Have a great Institute!

Sincerely,



Gregory C. Dozier  
Commissioner  
The Technical College System of Georgia



## WELCOME FROM THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

It is my honor to bring you greetings on behalf of the Technical College System of Georgia and the Office of Adult Education. I welcome you to 28th Dinah Culbreath Wayne Exceptional Georgian in Adult Literacy Education (EAGLE) Celebration. Thank you for your presence as we recognize 25 outstanding adult learners that exemplify resilience, determination, and knowledge. EAGLE recognizes and rewards excellence among students enrolled in Adult Education programs while also providing opportunities for these exceptional students to pursue lifelong learning.

This is a very special event because it allows us an opportunity to honor the legacy of Mrs. Dinah Culbreath Wayne, a member of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and a passionate supporter of Adult Education. Mrs. Wayne leaves behind a legacy of community service, integrity, and kindness, and she will forever be missed. To our EAGLEs, you are here with us at this event because your program saw excellence in your character, community involvement, and leadership—all traits exemplified by Mrs. Wayne.

My sincerest gratitude goes out to our dedicated, hard-working adult education teachers, program administrators, organizational leaders, TCSG system office staff, and the EAGLE conference committee for your active support of the Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE program. I recognize and appreciate the tremendous amount of work that it takes to provide a superlative EAGLE event. An extra special thank you goes out to Mrs. Carla DeBose. Your commitment to Adult Education and the Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE conference is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your work behind the scenes to ensure that this conference runs smoothly and successfully. I would also like to thank those who oversee the Technical College System of Georgia—Commissioner Greg C. Dozier, members of the State Board, my colleagues at the system office—thank you for your unwavering support for Adult Education.

To the EAGLEs, please know that your energy, your resilience, and your knowledge have brought you here so that we can celebrate you and empower you as you take the next step in your journey. You are truly the greatest asset of our Adult Education program. I have no doubt that you will continue to accomplish great things over the course of your life. Congratulations and best wishes for all that the future holds for you.

Sincerely,



Cayanna Good, Ph.D.  
Assistant Commissioner  
Adult Education  
Technical College System of Georgia



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

### BOB MACKEY

Born in the small town of Center, Georgia, Bob Mackey was raised by his grandmother, uncle, single mother, and "whoever was off work at the time." Mackey, despite placement in an academic program for gifted students, became the first and only child out of his six siblings to drop out of high school. After obtaining his GED from Athens Technical College, Bob's passions led him to become the only sibling to graduate from college, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

Bob's service record to youth is impressive and he has become well known in youth development and executive services. For the past 18 years, Mackey has held many leadership positions, including Regional Director of Education, Senior Club Director, and Director of Training for the Boys & Girls Clubs of North Central Georgia/Metro Atlanta. He is credited with providing a record number of academic scholarships to underprivileged youth, increasing graduation rates for students by 87 percent, decreasing school discipline referrals by 50 percent, and decreasing juvenile delinquency rates by 30 percent.

In 2017, Mackey was unanimously named the President and CEO for the Boys & Girls Clubs of North Central Georgia, and was honored with the naming of the Bob Mackey Teen Center for his service and legacy to youth and the community.

Mackey has spoken before over 65,000 youth and adults internationally and created and implemented several academic and character-building programs including The Hyped For Education Conference, The Power of the Knot, and The Power of the Purse, which have been facilitated on the island of St. Croix since 2014, in addition to 21 school districts across the United States. Bob Mackey has personally taught The Power of the Knot and gifted over 12,000 young men neckties to foster a greater appreciation for appearance.

Mackey is also the idealist and the founding inventor behind the product, Yono Clip, which impressed Sharks like Mark Cuban, Owner of the Dallas Mavericks, and Daymond John, Founder of FUBU, on the number one business show in America, Shark Tank.

Bob's mission is service first!



*Bob Mackey*

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SPEAKERS

### **Keisha G. Hull**

Keisha Hull currently serves as a Career Academy Specialist for Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS). This role works in conjunction with and is an extension of the Meadowcreek High School counseling team. Keisha is charged with college and career counseling and assisting high school juniors and seniors with developing an individualized postsecondary plan.

Prior to joining GCPS, Keisha spent nearly 20 years in higher education; most recently serving at the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) as Senior Manager for Georgia's first needs-based mentorship and college scholarship program (REACH). Before joining GSFC, she spent 11 years at Gwinnett Technical College (GTC) in progressively responsible positions beginning as the college recruiter and then advancing into the role of Director for the Gwinnett Advancement Program which afforded her the opportunity to build, lead, and manage an alternative GED program for at-risk youth. During her tenure at GTC, she served as the Administrator and Lead Facilitator for the college's professional mentoring program, an adjunct instructor for the First Year Experience course; as well as the Coordinator of Training and Development for faculty and staff.

Keisha graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.S. in Social Work and went on to earn a M.S. in Postsecondary and Adult Education from Capella University. She is an Advanced Certified Behavioral DISC Trainer and is a graduate of the Gwinnett Neighborhood Leadership Institute which is a community development leadership program that trains, empowers, and supports everyday citizens and community leaders to promote positive changes in their neighborhoods and communities. In her spare time, Keisha serves as a mentor and enjoys giving back to the community and inspiring others. She resides in Gwinnett County with her family and is an active member of New Mercies Christian Church in Lilburn, Georgia under the leadership of Pastor Jessie Curney III.



*Keisha G. Hull*



## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SPEAKERS

### **Steven Ferguson**

Steven Ferguson is a 26-year veteran of the IT industry. As the Chief Information Officer for the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG), he leads a talented team of professionals in support of TCSG's technical education, adult education, economic development, and workforce divisions across the 88 campuses of Georgia's 22 technical colleges. Ferguson was selected as a 2022 member of Georgia's TITAN 100, 2021 Technology Leader of the Year for Innovation, and the 2019 Georgia CIO of the Year. He is currently driving innovation in higher education through the launch of TCSG's eCampus platform and was recently named as a founding and executive committee member of the National Science Foundation (NSF) funded National Institute for Artificial Intelligence in Adult Learning and Online Education (AI-ALOE).

Ferguson holds an M.S. in Information Technology from Southern Polytechnic State University, a B.S. in Business Administration, Information Technology from Columbia Southern University, an A.S. in Engineering from Gainesville State College, and is a proud graduate of TCSG's Executive Leadership Academy.

Beyond his service to the State of Georgia, Ferguson is very active in the community, currently serving on the Board of Directors for the Technology Association of Georgia (TAG) and as a volunteer for various non-profit and educational organizations.



*Steven Ferguson*



*Ada Lemons  
McIntyre*

**EAGLE: Ada Lemons McIntyre**  
**Nominating Instructor: Dianne Wimes**

Ada McIntyre began her Adult Education journey in 1999. She would come to class for a season and would stop for a season. She shares that this time it is different because she is motivated by the diversity of students in the Albany Technical College Adult Education program. There are students of varying ages, and their spirit of learning has rubbed off on her. She wants to encourage other senior citizens to pursue their education and to know that it is never too late to get your high school equivalency (HSE) diploma.

Ada's instructor, Ms. Dianne Wimes, shares that she has known Ada for over 20 years. She has had the opportunity to work with her in many capacities including in the community where Ada is well known as someone who can make the impossible – possible. Ms. Wimes shared that Ada made up her mind to work towards getting her high school equivalency diploma in 2020. Ms. Wimes said that Ada has wanted to quit several times, but always remembers her commitment to herself. "As her instructor, I am extremely proud of Ada for seeing this commitment to the finish line."

Ada was born in Bronwood and now resides in Dawson. She is the mother of Kevin Lemons and Tynesa Marshall. Mrs. K. Heard inspires her the most because she believes in her and her ability to be successful.



**EAGLE: Katherine Lyn Herc**  
**Nominating Instructor: Maria Davis**

Katherine Herc currently has a 4.0 GPA in her studies at Athens Technical College, where she is pursuing a degree in Radiography. Katherine is also someone who has struggled with addiction, homelessness, and many years of trials and tribulations. That all changed when she saw a sign stating "Athens Technical College-Free High School Equivalency Classes." She called the phone number listed and Mr. Tommy Andrews took her information and immediately registered her for the next orientation.

The program offered the flexibility, structure, and opportunity to succeed. Katherine shared that her confidence returned as she received excellent instruction, test preparation, and support. After obtaining the high school equivalency, the transition to postsecondary was completely stress-free due to the support provided by the Athens Tech Career Service Specialist. "Today I have a 4.0 GPA and I am on track for the Radiography program in spring of 2022. I am a thriving student, mother, and community member, and I have achieved this with the help of the Athens Technical College Adult Education Program."

Katherine, born in Pittsburgh, now resides in Athens, with her partner, Mr. Jordan Floyd, and two-year-old daughter, Grace. She offers that she is inspired by Ms. Chanda Santana, the founder and owner of Divas Who Win. "Her story is very similar to my own in that she has overcome many obstacles and is now a woman of faith and a servant that helps other women in need."



*Katherine Lyn  
Herc*





# ATLANTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS



*Jordan Houston*

**EAGLE: Jordan Houston**

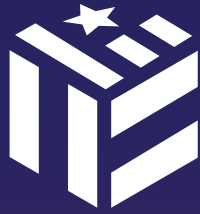
**Nominating Instructor: Deborah Tavaras**

Upon enrolling in the Atlanta Public School (APS) Adult Education program in November 2020, Jordan Houston set the goal of obtaining her high school credential by January 2021. She immediately focused on learning the material, but soon lost sight of the timeline and end goal. "My instructor gently reminded me of my original goal and helped me to reorganize my schedule to balance my school work and personal responsibilities." With hard work and the motivation of her instructor, Jordan accomplished her goal by earning her GED diploma in January 2021.

While completing her high school equivalency (HSE) studies, Jordan began to ponder her next set of goals. She was introduced to the APS Career Services Specialist (CSS), who began to work with Jordan to identify and plan for the next phase of her career. "The CSS guided me to discover the goal of obtaining a Medical Assistant Certification and an Associates of Science Degree in Nursing. I have to admit that I was very intimidated by the idea of postsecondary education; however I am now a full-time student at Atlanta Technical College and gainfully employed. I believe in Adult Education and the opportunities that it affords because I am a product of the Technical College System of Georgia."

Jordan, born and raised in Atlanta, currently resides in Riverdale. She shares that her grandmother inspires her because of the legacy that she has instilled in their family. The family mantra is to allow every generation to have a better life than the previous generation.





**EAGLE: Jalisa Santress Marks**  
**Nominating Instructor: George A. Ofosu-Anim**

Jalisa Marks decided to enroll in the Atlanta Technical College Adult Education program after many failed attempts to complete her GED. The structured environment helped her to reach the goal of not only obtaining her high school equivalency degree, but also pursuing an Associate's Degree in Logistics and Supply Chain Management. "The Adult Education Program prepared me to mentally face situations head on. For many years, I struggled and wondered if anything good would ever happen to me," shared Jalisa. "It wasn't until I enrolled in the Adult Education Program that I realized my true potential."

"While enrolled in the Adult Education Program, I met many altruistic people, who were thrilled to help me pair action with planning to achieve my goals. I obtained my GED diploma, received an OSHA-10 and Forklift certification, and now I am working on an Associate's degree. This program has allowed me to approach obstacles with a different mindset," Jalisa said. "It takes commitment, dedication, and patience to complete goals. One of my teachers told me to pick a cause and stick with it. No matter the trail or tribulation, JUST DON'T GIVE UP."

A Georgia native, Jalisa currently resides in Fulton County with sons, Gavin and Jace. She is inspired by her pastor, as he has been a source of encouragement and hope.



*Jalisa Santress  
Marks*





*Carlie Brumley*

**EAGLE: Carlie Brumley**  
**Nominating Instructor: Ethel Ross**

Carlie Brumley has the goal of obtaining her high school equivalency diploma so that she can better her family and herself. The Central Georgia Technical College Adult Education program has provided her with the flexibility and affordability she needs by providing varying class times, multiple learning modalities, and no class costs. Having the opportunity to participate in the Integrated Education and Training (IET) program to earn a certificate in Entrepreneurship, Customer Service, and Sales, while working towards her high school equivalency diploma is a big draw for Carlie. She believes the diploma and certification will open the door to many other opportunities whether it is owning and operating her own business, finding a career in healthcare, or finding a position with a company.

Carlie shares that because of the adult education program she has so many business ideas and options to consider that she finds it hard to decide. She says, "The Central Georgia Technical College Adult Education Program has given me an opportunity I will never forget. I will continue to set and meet my goals, remain confident, and succeed in accomplishing everything I set my mind to. It only gets better from this point forward."

Carlie was born in Macon and now resides in Vienna, with her fiancé Lane Horne and children Maddison, Brantley, and Nova. She shares that Mr. Horne is her inspiration because he encourages her and takes care of the family while she focuses on achieving her goals.



**EAGLE: Taryn Danae Sikes**  
**Nominating Instructor: Rebecca Wilke**

Ms. Taryn Sikes is an outside-the-box creative thinker who is great at problem solving. This makes her fantastic within her chosen career in Information Technology (IT), where troubleshooting technology support questions and technical issues is an everyday occurrence. However, this success has not always been so. Ms. Sikes shared that she struggled with education her entire life. She had a hard time learning through conventional methods. Taryn shares that the Chattahoochee Technical College Adult Education program taught her to fight for her education and her diploma. She enrolled into the Chattahoochee Technical College Adult Education Program and earned her high school equivalency (HSE) degree within three months. "To have the opportunity to partake in adult education and then be able to enroll into Chattahoochee Tech, is a new-found freedom," Taryn said.

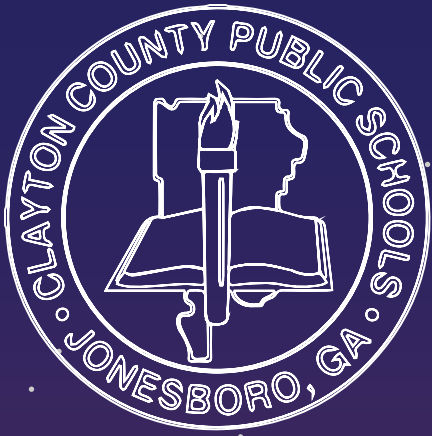
Taryn is currently enrolled in classes at Chattahoochee Tech, completing a degree in Cybersecurity with the goal of being hired by a Fortune 500 company. She plans to leverage the opportunity afforded by her newly found career to pursue her passion in herbalism and teaching.

Born in Hardin, Montana, Taryn now resides in Waleska. She lives with her two beautiful girls, Penelope and Evangeline. She wants to provide them with a safe, secure future—a future that is possible with her continued education at Chattahoochee Technical College.



*Taryn Danae Sikes*





*Maleka Haywood*

**EAGLE: Maleka Haywood**

**Nominating Instructor: Jennifer Grace**

When one decides about the work he or she will do in life, it is important that the decision is based on criteria that reflects their personal values, temperament, experiences, and skills. Maleka Haywood has chosen education as her career of choice because she shares that education has always been an incredibly rewarding and enjoyable experience for her. "Education is a lifelong journey and adult education has had a positive impact on various aspects of my life," Maleka shares. As a non-traditional student, obstacles must be overcome. However, Maleka has seen firsthand what an education can do for someone. The adult education program at Clayton County Public Schools has been a great place for her to explore options, expand her skills and knowledge, and train for her dream job in education.

Maleka's goal is to become an elementary school instructor. "Teaching can be a lot of fun, if you are willing to put in the work and find joy in the journey. Growing up, I was fortunate enough to have a teacher who positively impacted my life," says Maleka. She now wants to pay it forward and make a difference by encouraging and inspiring the next generation.

Maleka was born in Greenville, North Carolina and now resides in Morrow. She shares that her grandmother, Ms. Thelma Haywood is her greatest inspiration because she never fails to support her. "My grandmother encourages me to keep going, to persevere through adversity, and reminds me of my worth."







# Coastal Pines

TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**EAGLE: Barbara Richardson**  
**Nominating Instructor: Seanesta Richardson**

Barbara Richardson would not describe herself as exceptional, however her instructor, Ms. Seanesta Robinson, would say otherwise. She says that Barbara returned to the Coastal Pines Technical College Adult Education program after being away for a long time. She returned with a new found commitment to earning her diploma and paying forward her educational experience with others in the community. Ms. Robinson shares, "Barbara didn't give up, because she is driven to learn and is truly motivated to succeed."

The adult education program has played a meaningful role in Ms. Richardson's life. It has been a source of inspiration and motivation in preparing her to pursue her educational goals and to plan for her future career goals, which include opening a cleaning service. By attending adult education classes, Barbara says that she has gained insight into navigating her life a little better. As a wife and grandmother who is raising three teenaged grandchildren, she says that she is better at putting her priorities in the right place. "I will always appreciate the program and am honored to be given this opportunity to pursue a degree in business. Without this program, I would still be wondering where I was headed and scared that I might be stuck in a dead-end job."

Mrs. Barbara Richardson was born in Waycross, Georgia and now resides in Alma, Georgia with her husband, Abe Richardson. She shares that her husband and her instructor inspire her.



*Barbara  
Richardson*



# COBB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



*Georgina Rodriguez*

**EAGLE: Georgina Rodriguez**  
**Nominating Instructor: Donna Nelson**

Time can be fleeting when you are chasing a dream. Georgina Rodriguez shared that even as she grew older, she continued to tell herself to keep the faith because she had time to finish her education. A job promotion required that Georgina stop chasing the dream and complete her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma. After four years of trying to pass the HSE exams online, she decided to enroll in the face-to-face Cobb County Adult Education Program. "With the support and guidance of my instructors, I completed the task and obtained my GED," shared Georgina.

After she completed her high school equivalency degree, Georgina was invited to become a member of a newly formed Student Awareness Committee, which allows her to reach out to other students and encourage them to maintain the course of completing their GED. "The Adult Education program has given me the opportunity to close a circle left open and incomplete for many reasons," said Georgina. "When I sit in front of the steering wheel of my car, I know the direction that I am headed in life. I go forward waiting for the opportunity to help others."

Georgina was born in Chihuahua, Mexico. She is married to a wonderful man, has four children, and four beautiful grandchildren. She shares that her husband has a big heart and serves as her motivator because he always encourages her to help others for the wellbeing of their families.





**COLUMBUS TECH**

**EAGLE: Angela Sevier**  
**Nominating Instructor: Sernethia Caldwell**

When Ms. Angela Sevier moved to Columbus, she made the decision to enter the Valley Rescue Missions Women's Addiction Recovery Program in July 2019, so that she could begin becoming the person she wanted to be. She began studying for a high school equivalency (HSE) diploma upon entering the program, but quickly realized that she needed guidance. She registered for the Adult Education classes at Columbus Technical College and immediately began to see a difference. "I was able to understand and retain the information that I had struggled with before. I gained motivation, encouragement and insight."

Angela accomplished her goal of obtaining a high school equivalency diploma in July 2021, and she immediately enrolled in college to pursue an Associate's Degree in Human Resources. "Before receiving my diploma, I struggled with drug addiction, feeling lost, hopeless, insecure, and unworthy. Now I have more confidence and claim victory over my life." Currently serving as a Program Assistant at the Women's Addiction Recovery Center and a live-in staff member, Angela wants to inspire others who are struggling in life.

Angela was born in Chattanooga and now resides in Columbus. She shares that she was inspired to come to Columbus Technical College because she wants to be a success story for her daughter, Madison. "I want to encourage her to go back to school and obtain her diploma."



*Angela Sevier*





*Shannon Edwards*

**EAGLE: Shannon Edwards**  
**Nominating Instructor: Melissa Blevins**

What is success? Success to Shannon Edwards is doing something that she enjoys and wants to continue doing the rest of her life. She shares that the role that the Adult Education program at Georgia Northwestern Technical College has played in her life is critical to her current and future success. Ms. Edwards attended the Adult Education program with the intent of obtaining her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma. "After being out of school for over 20 years, the Adult Education program helped prepare me to successfully pass my GED exam and started me on my way to reaching my goal of becoming a Medical Assistant. It was difficult at times, but I knew with help from my teachers and fellow students, that I would eventually pass the tests."

Shannon is now enrolled in Georgia Northwestern Technical College, studying to be a Medical Assistant. "I always wanted to be in the medical field, but I knew without my GED this would be difficult," says Shannon. With her GED diploma and enrollment in Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Shannon knows that she will soon be at the top of her ladder of success.

Shannon was born in Floyd County and now resides in Gordon County, Georgia with her husband, David Edwards. She is the mother of three sons, Russell, Jason, and Dalton Smith. She shares that her brother, Charlie Agan, is the person who inspires her most because he always kept her spirits up.





# GEORGIA PIEDMONT TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**EAGLE: Sheha (Shay) Juma Sheha**  
**Nominating Instructor: Mary Baxter**

Two years ago Sheha (Shay) Juma Sheha was in his home country of Zanzibar and the only language that he could speak was Swahili. It was only a dream to live in the United States and learn to speak English. Sheha states that thanks to the Georgia Piedmont English as a Second Language (ESL) Adult Education program, he is now fluent in English and Swahili. He shares that the Adult Education program will always play a part in his future success. The program will allow him to graduate from the ESL program, provide the opportunity to study and obtain a high school equivalency credential, and open the door to enroll into a technical college and graduate with a degree in Information Technology.

Sheha shares that the Georgia Piedmont Technical College Adult Education program will continue to play an important role in his life. The ESL instructors, Career Service Specialist, and staff all provide support and guidance. "My teachers will always be there to help me along the way," says Sheha.

Born in Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania, Sheha resides in Atlanta with his spouse, Kateryna Kvach. He shares that the person who inspires him the most is his mother because she is always encouraging him to do better and to follow his dreams.



*Sheha (Shay)  
Juma Sheha*



# GWINNETT

## TECHNICAL COLLEGE



*Natosha  
Banks-Nolley*

**EAGLE: Natosha Banks-Nolley**  
**Nominating Instructor: Yolanda M. Davis**

Natosha Banks-Nolley is the proud graduate of the Adult Education program at Gwinnett Technical College. Natosha decided to invest in herself in 2018. She looked up “GED test” and Gwinnett Technical College was the first suggestion. She enrolled in the program and the rest is history. With hard work and dedication, she earned her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma in 2020.

The Adult Education program opened the door to many opportunities and Natosha shares that she is going to take advantage of them. She is enrolling in Gwinnett Technical College in the spring to pursue the goal of obtaining a degree in Culinary Arts. “I want to own a catering business and can envision myself catering large events and social gatherings. All of this will be possible because of the free classes the Gwinnett Technical College Adult Education program made available to me and so many others.”

Natosha was born in Atlanta and now resides in Lawrenceville with her husband, Thaddeus Banks and their children, Thaddeus, Jr., Nigel, Camille, Camyah, and Lennyx. She shared that her children are her biggest inspiration. “I want to show them that there is more to me than just being their mother. I am someone that wants to turn a passion for cooking into something greater—a family legacy that can be passed down through generations.”



# LANIER

## Technical College

**EAGLE: Ashlee Michelle Adams**  
**Nominating Instructor: Jennifer Parker**

Adult Education has had a huge impact on Ashlee Adams' life. It has gotten her through hard times and given her confidence. When she was in elementary school, she was labeled a "slow learner." She was also diagnosed with severe Crohn's disease which caused her to miss a lot of school. When she returned, she was bullied relentlessly. "There was a time in my life that dogs were my only friend. Because of this, I feel a deep connection to animals, and I want to help them because they helped me." Since earning her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma, her confidence has blossomed and she is pursuing her dream of becoming a veterinarian technician and eventually a veterinarian.

Ashlee has recently accepted a position with the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Advisory Board for Irritable Bowel Syndrome. "I accepted the leadership position because I remember how my family felt when I was diagnosed. I want to mentor others and let them know that it is going to be okay. Adult Education has inspired me to encourage others to keep going, no matter how dark things appear," says Ashlee.

Ashlee was born in Atlanta and now resides in Commerce, Georgia. When asked about her inspiration, Ashlee shares that her father is her hero. Like her, he has severe stomach issues, yet he pushes forward and never calls out sick. "He has always provided for our family and kept me and our family safe!"



*Ashlee Michelle  
Adams*





# LITERACY ACTION



*Pauline Hopgood*

**EAGLE: Pauline Hopgood**

**Nominating Instructor: Dawn Jackson-Robinson**

Education was not an easy task for Pauline Hopgood, because she had dyslexia. As time went on, other obstacles got in the way of her completing her education. "I dropped out of school due to lack of guidance and by the time I was 26 years old, I had three daughters and not enough confidence or time to complete my education. I became more ashamed and embarrassed and I did not tell anyone that I did not have a high school diploma." Ms. Hopgood shared that she stressed the importance of education in the home and was grateful that her three daughters completed high school and she was able to watch all three receive their high school diplomas.

Pauline recently started attending the Literacy Action Adult Education program and shares that the program has given her a feeling that she cannot explain. "I feel so empowered that I wish I could put it in a little jar and give it to other women who feel defeated and powerless due to a lack of education," says Pauline. "Literacy Action has changed my life. The program has opened windows of opportunities for me to explore dreams that I thought I had lost."

Pauline was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York and now resides in Austell. She has three children, Melissa, Nicole, and Raven. When asked about her inspiration, Pauline shares that all of her daughters inspire her, but Raven inspires her the most because she is fearless when it comes to learning anything.







# NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**EAGLE: Kelly McFarland**  
**Nominating Instructor: Jackie Morgan**

Adult Education has played a significant role in Kelly McFarland's future success, as it has been the starting point in her journey to obtaining a degree in Horticulture and eventually Soil Science. The North Georgia Technical College Adult Education Program provided the accessibility that Kelly needed so that she could work and pay her bills while earning her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma. Kelly laments that she knew she needed her high school equivalency diploma to enroll into college and her instructors helped all along the way. "What would have happened to my future if the adult education class was eliminated in those two to three years I was straightening up my life?"

Kelly said that the North Georgia Technical College Adult Education program is quite literally the hinge on the door of opportunity that changes lives. "Getting an education should not be a wall you have to climb, instead it should be a stepping stone. The Adult Education program allows kids to be redeemed and doesn't hold their past mistakes against them. It sets them up to succeed with flexible class schedules and student-focused instructors. I am a living testimony of what this course can do for someone. This program has drastically changed my life, my mindset, and my future for the better."

Kelly was born and raised in Toccoa. She shares that her teachers Jackie, Tonya, and Ronda are the ones who have inspired her the most. They are always cheerful and looking out for the best in everyone. They listen and care about the success of their students.



*Kelly McFarland*





# OONEE FALL LINE TECHNICAL COLLEGE



*Rochelle White*

**EAGLE: Rochelle White**

**Nominating Instructor: Sonya May Calvin**

"The Oconee Fall Line Technical College Adult Education program is a positive turning point in my life. It has provided me with skills and tools that I need to become a better contributor to my family and community," says Ms. Rochelle White. As a single mother of five children, it was important for Rochelle to go back to school to earn a high school equivalency (HSE) diploma and to enhance her workplace skills. "The Adult Education program is helping me increase my college readiness and employment skills. I am increasing my reading, writing, problem-solving, and communication skills, while developing a professional portfolio," she said.

Rochelle wants to obtain her high school equivalency diploma and then eventually enroll in a nursing program. Rochelle's instructor shares that Rochelle has the characteristics of a true leader. Rochelle demonstrates strength and perseverance as she struggles to come to class, even though she has just gotten off work at 7:30 a.m. She continues to soar above obstacles that are presented daily and pushed forward to achieve her goals.

Rochelle was born in Hemstead, New York and now resides in East Dublin. Rochelle is the mom to Jakori, Raniyah, Jaylan, Jaquavious, and Tykevious. She shares that her uncle, Mr. Albert Hurst, is her inspiration because he always encourages her to do her best. "He always says, 'Change what you can change, and what you can't change, don't worry about it'. My uncle supports me when I need advice or just a friendly ear."





# OGEECHEE TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**EAGLE: Chrisanctus Igwe**  
**Nominating Instructor: Janice Case**

Mr. Chrisanctus Igwe grew up in Nigeria, where you had to pay for your education. He finished school with very limited skills and job opportunities. After immigrating to the United States, he found a job in the fast food industry, but quickly realized it wasn't what he wanted to do for the rest of his life. He heard of the Ogeechee Technical College Adult Education Program and the "free of charge" classes. He was amazed that the state of Georgia offered adults, who had not finished school or had limited education, free access to education.

Chrisanctus says that he has been given the opportunity to attend classes at night while working during the day. He is working on his basic math, reading comprehension, and grammar skills so that he will be more prepared for college and the workforce. "Without the opportunity to take these Adult Education classes, I know my future in the U.S. would be very limited. These classes are the prerequisites needed to be successful. What a blessing!"

Chrisanctus was born in Nigeria and now lives in Statesboro with his wife, Jan Cross-Igwe. He says that the person who inspires him the most is his wife. She is a teacher and pushes him to be all that he can be.



*Chrisanctus Igwe*





# SAVANNAH TECHNICAL COLLEGE



*Michelle Maynard*

**EAGLE: Michelle Maynard**  
**Nominating Instructor: Keon Green**

Michelle Maynard is a Fast Forward dual enrollment student in the Savannah Technical College Adult Education Program. She is pursuing her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma while working simultaneously on postsecondary classes to prepare her to enter the Cybersecurity program. She shares that having access to adult education and dual enrollment programs allows students a chance to further their educations after having overcome a few of life's stumbling blocks. Michelle shares that the Adult Education program gives her a chance to accomplish something of which she can be proud. She will follow her son and become the second person in her family to graduate when she obtains her high school equivalency diploma. "I finally have the opportunity to complete my high school education and get a degree in Cybersecurity," says Michelle. "The Technical College System of Georgia and the Savannah Technical College Adult Education Program will allow me to reach my goals, become a better mother, and a better person."

Michelle was born and raised in Savannah. She is the mother to Da'Quan, Ray'Quan, Jamari, Jeremiah, and Tamiya. She says that her children inspire her to do better and push her to succeed. She states that her children deserve the best and that pursuing her education ensures that they grow up knowing the importance of dreaming and then moving forward to accomplish the dream.



# SOUTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**EAGLE: Faith Dunford**

**Nominating Instructor: Angela S. Kauffman**

Faith Dunford's journey with education began in the fifth grade when her school closed. Her parents made the decision to homeschool her, however the virtual learning consisted of watching videos. This lack of connection between teacher and student caused Faith to become depressed and withdrawn. After an eventual diagnosis of ADHD and medical intervention, Faith began to realize that she would need a high school equivalency (HSE) credential if she wanted to pursue her dreams of going into healthcare.

She enrolled in South Georgia Technical College's Adult Education program where she learned strategies and techniques for learning and solving problems. She participated in the college's Integrated and Educational Training (IET) program which afforded her the opportunity to earn certifications in OSHA 10 and ServSafe®. Her self-confidence increased dramatically, her school work became easier, and she found a job in healthcare. After obtaining her high school equivalency diploma and IET certifications, she began college classes. "Being allowed to dually enroll in college classes while earning my high school equivalency diploma allowed me to get ahead of the game before I graduated." Faith encourages people who do not have their high school equivalency diploma to be courageous and take the opportunities given by the Adult Education programs throughout the Technical College System of Georgia.

Faith was born in Americus and resides in Plains. When asked about inspiring individuals in her life, she shared that her dad inspired her the most. He earned his high school equivalency from an Adult Education program and has been a cheerleader for education.



*Faith Dunford*



# Southeastern TECHNICAL COLLEGE



*Charlie "Jaycee"  
Scott*

**EAGLE: Charlie "Jaycee" Scott**  
**Nominating Instructor: Annette Merrier**

The Southeastern Technical College Adult Education Program has provided Charlie "Jaycee" Scott with a second chance of having a better life. She shares that the day that she decided to enroll in the Adult Education program was the day she made the best decision she could have made for herself. She says that she didn't know that she would meet so many people who would make her feel welcome, offer her guidance, and provide her support. "Everyone was so eager to help me make my journey successful," says Jaycee.

Jaycee says that she was happy to be able to say, "I made it!" when she graduated with her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma in December 2021. She is now enrolled in the Business Technology program at Southeastern Technical College. While attending the Adult Education program, she was also able to train and earn certification as a Paramedic. "Adult Education gave me a second chance to pursue those things in life I had always dreamed about, but believed would never be for me. The Adult Education instructors don't see you as a failure, but as someone who needs a helping hand to climb the ladder of success."

Jaycee was born in Dublin, and now resides in Emanuel County. Her inspiration is her mother who has always been there for her and never has given up on her. Charley shares that her mom encourages her to follow her dreams.





# SOUTHERN CRESCENT

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## TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**EAGLE: Gloria Jean Pine**  
**Nominating Instructor: Shannon Miller**

Ms. Gloria Jean Pine has always wanted to become a nurse, but she could not because she did not have her high school equivalency (HSE) diploma. The Southern Crescent Technical College Adult Education Program has created an opportunity for her to meet her goals by providing her the skills, training, and resources that she will need to be successful in the high school equivalency program, as well as in postsecondary education. "When I entered the Adult Education program, my main focus was to get my GED. However, as I continued I learned about so many resources that were available to students."

The Southern Crescent Technical College Adult Education Program has allowed Gloria to develop a new purpose for her life. She shares, "I get up every morning eager to go to class. My commitment to my education has become an important part of my life. Working to obtain my high school equivalency diploma has made a difference in my life in so many ways. I no longer walk with my head down. My self-esteem is the highest it has ever been thanks to the Adult Education program."

Gloria was born in Spaulding County and now resides in Griffin. She shares that Mrs. Eula Redding inspired her as she pushed her to go to Adult Education classes and is an excellent role model.



*Gloria Jean Pine*





# **SOUTHERN REGIONAL**

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## TECHNICAL COLLEGE



*Violeta Ramirez*

**EAGLE: Violeta Ramirez**

**Nominating Instructor: David Saturday**

Violeta Ramirez immigrated to the United States when she was five years old. She did not know the English language and struggled in school. She started working in the fields in middle school to help the family with expenses and dropped out of high school her senior year. She has worked at Sanderson Farms for several years. When she entered the Southern Regional Technical College Adult Education Program, her testing scores were rather low. Her work ethic, class attendance, and determination to succeed caused her to quickly advance in her studies and the program. After earning a high school equivalency (HSE) diploma, Violeta plans to continue her education at Southern Regional Technical College and study to become a Medical Assistant.

“My life has been rough because the best paying jobs require a higher education,” says Violeta. She says that completing her education will be a wonderful example for her daughters. “I will show them that by working hard, anything is possible.” She wants them to understand how valuable and important an education is to their future.

Violeta was born in Guatemala and now resides in Moultrie. She is the mother of Jhanira, Johana, and Joselynn. She shares that the people that inspire her the most are her parents, because they always encouraged her to finish school and find a career that she loved. Her parents gave up everything to give her a better life.





# WEST GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## **EAGLE: Toby Patten**

### **Nominating Instructor: Rebecca Wheeler**

Before Toby Patten began the West Georgia Technical College Adult Education Program, he was working in a restaurant earning \$5 an hour. He truly felt that he was going nowhere and that he had missed his chance at being successful. When talking with his mom about his dissatisfaction with life, she encouraged him to check out West Georgia Technical College. He states that he was nervous because he had dropped out his sophomore year in high school and was afraid that he wouldn't be able to keep up with classes. His mother continued to encourage him. He finally pushed through his anxiety and registered for class.

"I attended my first Adult Education class and all of my fears dissolved," Toby shared. Some of the coursework was challenging due to being out of school for a while, but the instructors enthusiastically helped him to catch up. Once his confidence kicked in, Toby states that he didn't want to stop at just getting a high school equivalency (HSE) diploma. With the ongoing support of his instructors and his mom, Toby knows that he can pursue any goal that he sets his mind to and does not have to settle for less. He is now enrolled in West Georgia Technical College pursuing a degree in Robotics and Engineering.

Toby was born in Cape Coral, Florida and is now a resident of Carrollton. He has been inspired by his mother who raised four children and went to college, all while maintaining a career.



*Toby Patten*





# WIREGRASS

GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE®



*Adriana Weffer*

**EAGLE: Adriana Weffer**

**Nominating Instructor: Sandra Scurry**

Adriana Weffer immigrated to the United States 14 years ago with few resources and unable to speak English. After mastering the Wiregrass Georgia Technical College English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, Adriana enrolled into the college's Adult Education High School Equivalency (HSE) program to pursue her diploma. Upon completion of the HSE diploma, Adriana plans to continue at Wiregrass Georgia Tech in the Cosmetology program. Her goal is to become a licensed cosmetologist and open her own salon. Through hard work and education, Adriana has become a business owner where she owns several homes that she personally renovates and rents to other single people who need a hand up in life. "I went from speaking no English to owning my own successful real estate business. Thanks to adult education, I can talk to anyone, I can let myself be understood, and I can take care of my own business."

Adriana shares that education is something no one can take away from you. "I am hungry for more knowledge now that the doors are open for me. It is a blessing to have the Adult Education program where you can go and get the education that you need. This is something that is not available in other countries." Adriana states that the Adult Education program gives students everything they need to build better futures and to stand on their own.

Adriana Weffer was born in Venezuela and now resides in Broxton. She shares that her instructor, Sandra Scurry, inspires her the most because she believes in Adriana and her success.



## THE BRENDA WISE SCHOLARSHIP

A famous quote says, "Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality." There is no doubt that Brenda Wise's commitment to the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and Adult Education is reflected in this quote. She was committed to transforming the promise of a future into a reality for Adult Education students. She was always present at Adult Education events, never failed to donate funds to provide needy students with GED® test fees, and aided the Adult Education staff whenever called upon.

Brenda served in various roles within state government under the direction of Governors Zell Miller, Roy Barnes, Sonny Perdue, and Nathan Deal. In addition to her work with TCSG, she was also actively involved in the implementation of Governor Miller's HOPE Scholarship and Pre-K programs.

Brenda Wise, a beloved member of the TCSG family, lost her courageous battle with cancer in 2014. To honor her, members of the TCSG State Board, TCSG co-workers, her son Keith, and the TCSG Foundation established the Brenda Wise Scholarship Fund to further her work in changing the lives of Georgia's students, specifically through supporting students seeking a GED®.

Because of Brenda's commitment and the resolve of those who honored her, the 2020 Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education (EAGLE) winner's full two-year tuition to a TCSG college will be complemented, thanks to the Brenda Wise Scholarship Fund, with a stipend for the required books and fees, as well as the supplies so essential to a college education.

TCSG expresses deep appreciation to the Presidents Council for their willingness to provide this scholarship, an unprecedented college opportunity. And now, thanks to Brenda Wise, the 2022 EAGLE winner will have the essential tools to transform commitment into reality.



*Brenda Wise*



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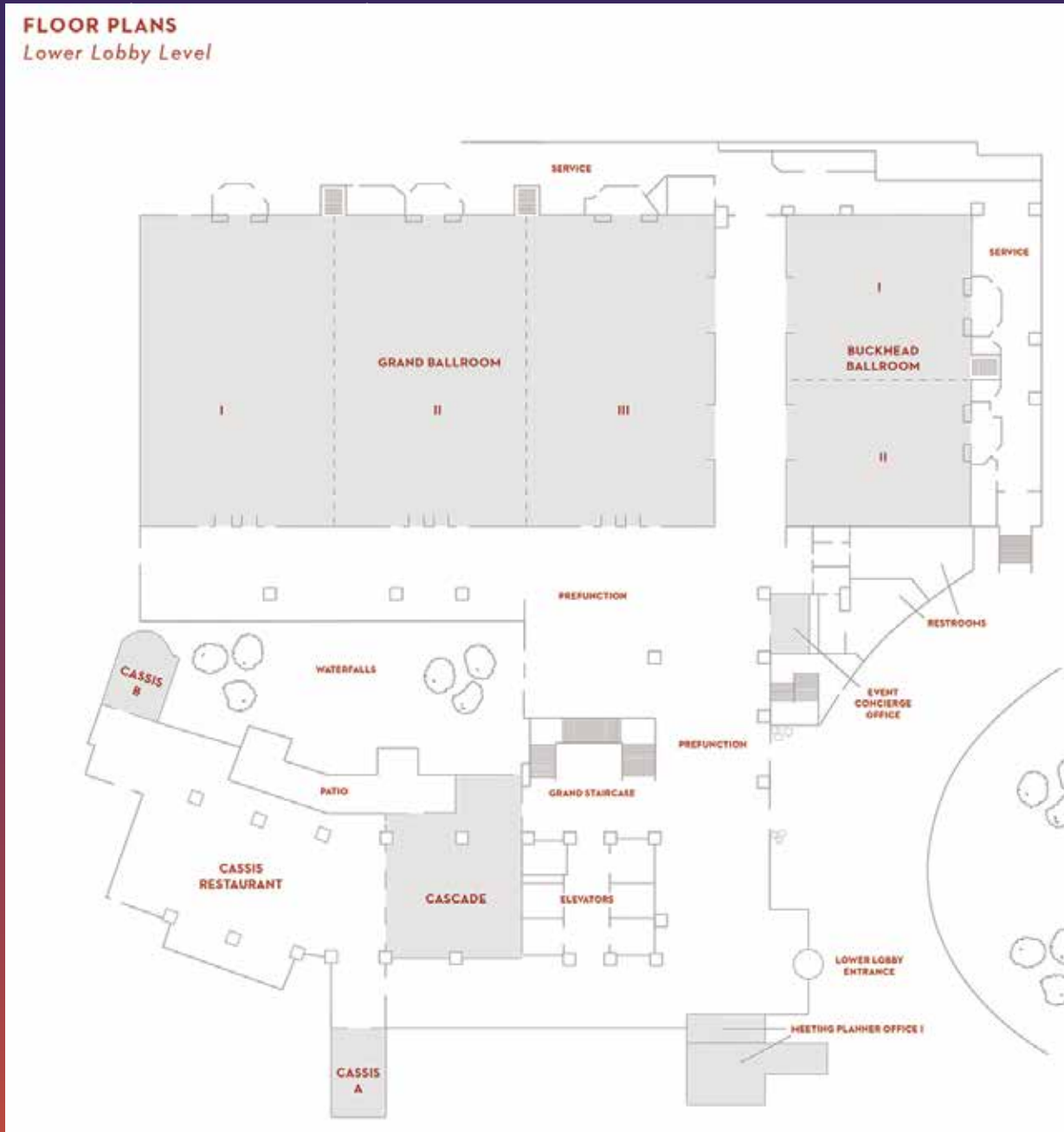
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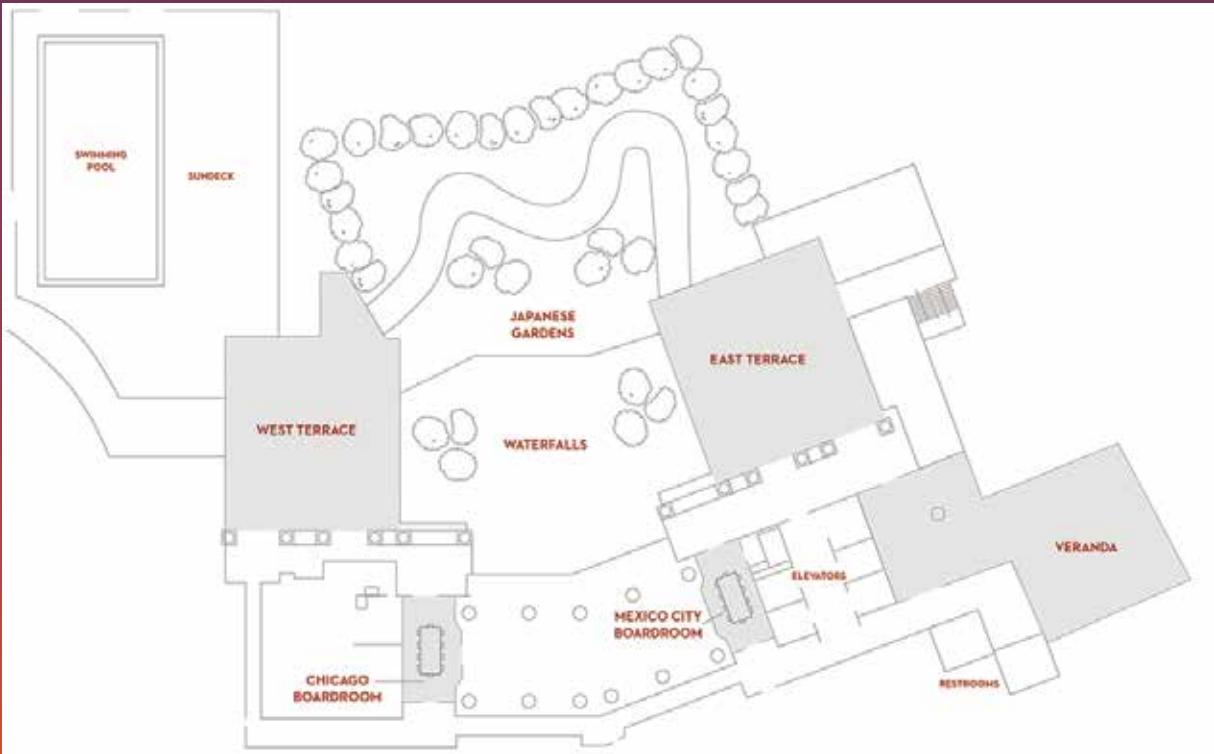
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