

Bartow County School System

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Teachers Earn Rigorous Certification

CARTERSVILLE, Ga., September 22, 2016 – Four Bartow County School System teachers gained certification to score the Torrance Tests of Creative Thinking after they completed the rigorous training at the University of Georgia. The training began during the Summer with classes at UGA where they learned how to administer and score the tests used to help determine eligibility into the GATEWAY program offered to gifted and talented learners. The teachers were then required to score sample tests to demonstrate their reliability in grading.

Paula Camp coordinates the Gateway program for Bartow County Schools. She said, “We are extremely proud of this accomplishment. The Torrance Center at UGA is respected nationally for its research and development of gifted and talented education in relation to creative thinking. Not many teachers hold this certification and we are thrilled to have professionals in our program who have earned this distinguished honor.”

Molly Payne, Shelly Abernathy, Robin Morrow and Lannette Layton will complete all future scoring of the TTCT developed by Torrance.

About BCSS

The Bartow County School System is a public school district accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and serves 14,066 students. The system is comprised of 20 schools: 12 elementary, four middle schools, three high schools and one college and career academy.

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Molly Payne, center, stands with Taylorsville Elementary's Assistant Principal Ms. Brown (left) and Principal Dr. DiPetta (right).



Shelly Abernathy, center, celebrated by Hamilton Crossing Elementary's Assistant Principal Ms. Goff (left) and Principal Ms. Robertson (right).



Robin Morrow (right) congratulated by Clear Creek Elementary's Assistant Principal Ms. Martin (left).



Lannette Layton (left) commended by White Elementary's Principal Ms. Heater (right).