

**Georgia Department of Education**  
**English Language Arts Summer Stipend**  
**and Student Learning Objectives (SLO) Grants**

The Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE), through Race to the Top, is making grants available to support local school districts and RESAs in implementing the Common Core Georgia Performance Standards and state-wide teacher and leader evaluation systems.

Each district and RESA will receive a reimbursement-based grant to send teams of teachers to the Mathematics and English language arts summer institutes/academies. Additionally, each district and RESA will receive a grant to support the development of student learning objectives (SLOs) to ensure every teacher has one student growth measure in 2014-2015 as a part of the evaluation system. RESAs will provide ongoing support to local school districts. The GaDOE Curriculum Division will provide additional details on the summer institutes/academies and the Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Division will provide additional details on the development of SLOs.

Each district and RESA must complete a budget in the LEA Consolidated Application in order to access funds. A copy of the allocation per district (please note the number of schools and FTEs are estimated and some RT3 districts did not request additional funds), a summary of the grant program, and the assurances are available [here](#) (bottom of the page). The grant period and program requirements are included in the assurances. Districts and RESAs will be required to complete the quarterly 1512 reporting since the ARRA is the source of funds. Please be sure to keep all documentation to ensure the appropriate data is available for monitoring and auditing.

GaDOE will hold a **conference call on Monday, February 24, 2014 from 9:30 – 10:30 AM** to provide an overview of the grants and to address questions.

**Conference call number: (866) 675-0488**

**Access code: 5244681894**

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