



## Godley Station Gifted News Fall 2019

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**Kellye Carter is originally from Rockdale County. She moved to Savannah after graduating from Georgia Southern with an Early Childhood degree. She has taught kindergarten for 20 years and Gifted for 9 years. She was selected teacher of the year for West Chatham Elementary School in 1999. She was also awarded WTOC Top Teacher in March of 2004. I look forward to working with First and Second Grade this year!**

Leeanna Zeigler moved to Savannah in 1999 from Calhoun, GA with her daughter. Mrs. Zeigler has a bachelor's degree from the State University of West Georgia and a master's degree in gifted education from the University of South Florida. Mrs. Zeigler has been teaching for 22 years 14 of which have been in the gifted classroom. Mrs. Zeigler is a grandmother to an almost 4 year old granddaughter. When she is not spending time with her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Zeigler spends time running her new shop, taking pictures, creating, spending time with her husband, and exercising.

**Amanda Bourne has her undergraduate degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and her Master of Science in Education from Old Dominion University. She taught for 3 years in Norfolk, Virginia before relocating to Savannah, GA years ago. This is her 17<sup>th</sup> year of teaching. She is teaching Gifted Resource 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades this year.**

My name is Georgianne Taylor. I was born in Savannah. I have an E.Ds. in Gifted from the University of Georgia. I also have a degree in English Literature from Armstrong. I love to enrich students through critical thinking skills' products and varied creative activities. In gifted resource, we are studying the American Constitution and Bill of Rights. Students will be competing in a persuasive "Bill of Rights" writing contest, arguing why their choice is most important. Middle school students are learning about Ancient Greece and how it connects to the everyday lives and the world around them.

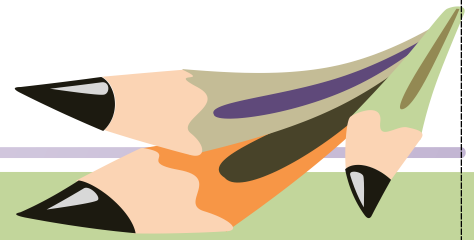


Mrs. Michelle Lanier has been an educator for 27 years. Fayetteville, N.C. is where she began her teaching career. After eight years at the same school, Mrs. Lanier moved to Georgia in 1999 so that her husband's parents could assist in caring for her first son. She previously taught at Bloomingdale before joining Godley Station Staff. She has two boys, high school and college aged (both attended GSS). She earned her Bachelor's Degree at Edinboro University in Pennsylvania. Cambridge College is the institute she obtained her Master's Degree. In 2004, she achieved National Board Certification through the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. In December of 2105, she earned her Specialist degree at Nova Southern University. Mrs. Lanier is certified in elementary education P-5, middle grades certified in social studies and mathematics, gifted education, physical education, FACS, and is a Teacher Support Specialist. Mrs. Lanier had the privilege of being named to Who's Who Among America's Top Teachers from former students multiple times. She is honored to be part of the gifted team and looks forward to the great learning opportunities this year in FACS and gifted education!

My name is Jason Waters and I've been teaching in Savannah for fourteen years. I have a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education and Gifted Certification. I look forward to working with 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Gifted resource class this school year.

Mrs. Harlin received her undergraduate degree in Accounting and Master of Business from Georgia Southern University. She received her Master of Science in Education and Educational Specialist degrees from University of Phoenix. She also has her Gifted-in-Field certification. She has taught 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> grades. This year she will be teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade advanced content and 4<sup>th</sup> grade gifted resource.

Mrs. Leigh Greene is beginning her 16<sup>th</sup> year of teaching. She has a bachelor's degree from Mercer University, and her Master Of Education from Armstrong Atlantic State University. Mrs. Greene taught at Bloomingdale Elementary before coming to Godley Station. She has taught Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and now 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Her certification is in the areas of Early Childhood Education (P-5), and Gifted-in-Field. This year she will be teaching 5<sup>th</sup> grade advanced content. She will also teach 5<sup>th</sup> grade gifted resource. Mrs. Greene loves spending time with her daughter, Eva, and husband Jerry.



Ms. Dennerlein received her Bachelor of Science degree from Scranton University, Masters in teaching from the University of Memphis, her Specialist degree in Curriculum Foundations and Reading from Georgia Southern, and is presently completely her Doctorate at G.S.U. She received Who's Who among American Teachers twice, WTOC Top teacher Award, and Masters of Teaching Top Graduate Award from the University of Memphis. This is my 23<sup>rd</sup> year of teaching, 16 in Chatham County, 10 years teaching Gifted in grades 1 – 8. I am presently teaching 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade gifted. I am looking forward to exploring with my students the Gifts afforded by those of Yesteryear, Present, and what the future may hold. Older students will research what they can contribute to our Global Societies through humanitarian, environmental, and scientific efforts. Thank you and I look forward to all of my students exploring their personal and group collaborative gifts to all societies.

Mrs. Kamaria Shaw is celebrating the start of her 17<sup>th</sup> year as a highly qualified and certified educator. After attending North Carolina A&T State University, Mrs. Shaw obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education (Pre-K- 5<sup>th</sup>) with concentrations in Language Arts and Social Sciences for Middle Grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Shaw earned her Master's Degree in Education with a specialization in Elementary Reading and Literacy from Walden University. Also, she has obtained her Gifted Certification Endorsement. Following the beginning of Mrs. Shaw's teaching career in Geary County, Kansas in 2002, she taught in Houston County, Georgia for two years before joining Savannah-Chatham County Public School District in 2006. Mrs. Shaw has been an active and highly involved teacher at Godley Station K-8 School since it opened its doors in 2010 teaching both third and fourth grades. This school year she looks forward to the exciting opportunity to teach Writing and Gifted Resource! Born in our nation's capital city of Washington, D.C. and raised as a native of Southern Maryland, Mrs. Shaw presently resides in Pooler, GA with her husband of 17 years, raising their 16 year old eleventh grader, in addition to their 13 year old eighth grader and 6 year old first grader who both proudly attend Godley Station School. Mrs. Shaw is extremely excited to embark on this new school year and continue sharing her passion for learning with your child!

