



2015-2016 Resource Guide for Teaching Economics

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Helping teachers teach economics since 1972.

The Georgia Council on Economic Education (GCEE) provides excellent teaching materials, proven learning programs and interactive workshops on the latest methods and classroom strategies correlated to the Georgia

Performance Standards. Most of these resources are available at no financial cost to teachers, thanks to the generosity of the businesses, foundations and individuals who contribute to GCEE.

Most Georgia Council resources are available, at no charge, to every K-12 teacher in Georgia.

GCEE resources are available to every K-12 teacher in Georgia, in both

public and independent schools. A total of 175 public school systems and independent schools are active participants in Georgia's EconomicsAmerica network (see page 10). GCEE is an independent nonprofit organization affiliated with the Council for Economic Education.

Please share this handbook and www.gcee.org with colleagues. Contact GCEE for additional copies.

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The Vision

of the Georgia Council on Economic Education

is of students leaving school prepared for their economic roles as workers, consumers, citizens and lifelong decision-makers in a globally interdependent world.

The Mission

of the Georgia Council on Economic Education

is to help teachers teach economics in the public and independent schools of Georgia.

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Workshops for Teachers

Described here are workshops the Georgia Council schedules frequently. Check www.gcee.org to see if a workshop you want is scheduled near you — and to register online for most sessions.

GCEE schedules workshops based on demand, so let the Council know of your interest in a workshop that might not be currently scheduled. GCEE can sometimes schedule special workshops for school systems. For more information, contact Glen Blankenship at gblankenship@gsu.edu, or Mike Raymer at mraymer@gsu.edu, or call (404) 413-7820.

Codes for Workshop Descriptions on the following pages:

\$ = registration fee

No Fee = no registration fee

Sub = GCEE reimburses the cost of your substitute teacher

Meals = GCEE provides lunch

Materials = you take home teaching materials courtesy of GCEE and its partners.

PLU = Professional learning unit credits available



Grades K - 5



Focus: Economics and Personal Finance, Grades K-2

A one-day workshop
Basic economics content is introduced to the teacher with a focus on learning the economic and personal finance concepts in the

Georgia Performance Standards. Lesson plans for each grade level are distributed

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

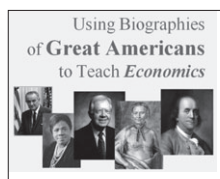


Econ and Me, Grade 3

A one-day workshop
Economics content tested on the EOG state test based on the GPS is

organized around five 15-minute video programs on DVD. Forty-four activities are provided to support interdisciplinary understanding of economic concepts. Copies of the DVD and the activities are provided to each participant.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals



Using Biographies of Great Americans to Teach Economics, Grade 3

A one-day workshop
Basic economic concepts are presented

through the lives of the great Americans identified in the GPS. A story from the life of each individual is presented in two formats — an adult “read aloud” and a Lexiled student reading. Lesson plans specific to each great American highlight economic and personal finance concepts from the life of each person. Teachers receive lessons for grades 1, 2 and 3 to share with colleagues.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals



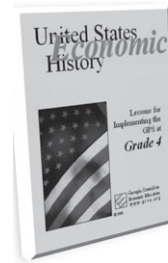
Personal Finance, Grades 3-5

A one-day workshop
Young children are hands-on learners, and teachers will learn to use concrete

Grades K - 5

experiences and stories about children like themselves to teach personal finance concepts. Even the youngest students understand how their decisions are important.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals



U.S. Economic History, Grades 4 & 5

A one-day workshop
To understand history, students must understand basic economic reasoning. Students apply economic analysis to the events covered in traditional history courses. These lessons are

designed specifically to address the GPS in grades 4 and 5 while preparing students for the EOG state test.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

Stock Market Game,™ Grades 4 & 5



A full-day introduction for teachers new to the Game

GCEE staff show teachers how to help their students learn from the stock market. In the 10-week Web-based stock trading simulation, students apply research and math skills, practice group decision making and analyze cause-and-effect relationships.

Materials, No Fee, Sub



Virtual Economics 4.5, Grades 4 & 5

A one-day workshop
VE4.5 is a CD-ROM containing a wealth of resources just for teachers, including (1) 51 key

economics concepts with both print and video explanations and (2) more than 1,400 reproducible activity-based lessons correlated to the GPS economics and personal finance standards.

NOTE: This workshop is only for teachers who have not attended a VE3 or VE4 workshop in the past.

Materials, No Fee, Sub

Grades 6 - 8

Economies in Transition, Grades 6 or 7

A one-day workshop on a world region
Teachers explore economic challenges faced by nations in various world regions (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, the Middle East). Attention is given to topics such as command vs. market economies, currency exchange, economic and political freedom indices, and other factors relevant to the region.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

NEW!

Economics for Grades 6 and 7

A one-day workshop

Teachers participate in interactive lessons designed to show the relationships found between differing economic systems, voluntary trade, trade barriers, currency exchange, economic growth, and trade

groups such as NAFTA and OPEC.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

Georgia Economic History, Grades 8

A one-day workshop

Teachers are given interactive lessons that apply both contemporary and historic examples of economic concepts to build enduring understandings regarding Georgia economic history and the economic concepts found within the Georgia Performance Standards.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals



Personal Finance, Grades 6-8

A one-day workshop
With this comprehensive investment education curriculum, teachers introduce students to spending, saving and investing. Students take a critical look at investment opportunities – mutual funds, stocks, bonds, and more – and uncover strategies for building lasting wealth.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

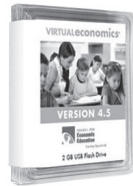
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Materials, No Fee, Sub



Advanced Placement: Selected Topics in Micro and Macro

A one-day workshop
Led by experienced AP teachers and exam readers, this workshop takes an in-

depth look at special topics in both Microeconomics and Macroeconomics.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

Advanced Placement Economics Summer Institute

5-day program for high school AP economics teachers
Teachers review micro- or macroeconomic theory; focus on the content and scoring of the micro and macro exams; and interact with experienced AP readers, table readers and test developers. Teachers may choose the five-day macroeconomics

session or the five-day microeconomics session. Offered in cooperation with The College Board.

Materials, \$, PLU, Meals



Collaborative Teaching for High School Economics

A one-day workshop
This workshop, designed for high school collaborative and resource

economics teachers, will focus on the economic content found within the high school Georgia Performance Standards (GPS). Teachers will receive content, teaching strategies created specifically for high school collaborative and resource economics teachers, and lessons designed to actively engage students.

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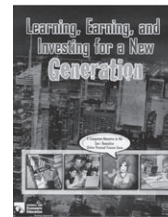


The Economics of Sports

A one-day workshop
This workshop, designed for high school economics teachers,

will focus on the relationship between economics and the world of sports. Teachers will receive economic content specific to all five economic domains found within the GPS, teaching strategies created specifically for high school economics, lessons designed to actively engage students and a copy of the ESPN 30 for 30 “Broke” DVD, which looks at the personal finances of many professional athletes.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals



High School Economics: Personal Finance Domain

A one-day workshop
With this comprehensive investment education and personal finance curriculum, teachers introduce students to the ins and outs of long-

term investing. Students take a critical look at investment opportunities – mutual funds, stocks, bonds, and more – and uncover strategies for building lasting wealth.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

Stock Market Game™ Grades 9-12

A full-day introduction for teachers new to the Game
GCEE staff show teachers how to help their students learn from the stock market. In the 10-week Web-based stock trading simulation, students apply research and math skills, practice group decision making and analyze cause-and-effect relationships.

Materials, No Fee, Sub

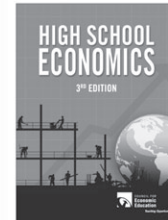


Virtual Economics 4.5, Grades 9-12

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NOTE: This workshop is only for teachers who have not attended a VE3 or VE4 workshop in the past.

Materials, No Fee, Sub



Focus: High School Economics and the GPS

A one-day workshop
This workshop boosts the comfort level and instructional effectiveness of teachers teaching the state-mandated high school economics course.

Instructional materials and model teaching strategies proven to help students learn economics are shared. Teachers take home 28 lessons aligned to the Georgia Performance Standards.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals

NEW! Social Media Strategies for Your High School Econ Class

A one-day workshop
Teachers examine and participate in activities designed to help implement various Social Media platforms such as YouTube, Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook into their economics classrooms.

Materials, No Fee, Sub, Meals



The Stock Market Game: More Than a Game – an Education for Life



In Georgia, more than 40,000 students play the Stock Market Game™ (SMG) simulation each calendar year. The simulation is the Georgia Council's most visible program.

Features of the SMG

The Game is designed for use in grades 5-12. (Gifted program students in even earlier grades have been successful participants.)

- The simulation integrates economics with mathematics, language arts, social studies, family and consumer sciences, technology and more.
- The SMG simulation is offered twice during the school year — Fall and Spring.
- There is a \$7 per team fee (a grant pays for team fees for Title I Schools) to participate in the simulation.
- A team consists of a maximum of five students.
- Teachers can also have their students participate in InvestWrite, a national writing competition that adds a critical thinking component to the SMG.

For 10 weeks, students invest a hypothetical \$100,000 in common stocks on the New York and American Stock Exchanges and the NASDAQ. They may also invest in mutual funds and purchase bonds. In a typical classroom, students form teams of three to five players and work together to research their stock selections. Students can buy on margin,

sell short, and pay commissions. They receive personal portfolios highlighting their current holdings, brokerage commissions, margin fees, and team ranking.

SMG Objectives

- To help students learn about our market economy and the world of investing
- To apply research and computational skills in context
- To provide an opportunity to develop group decision-making skills
- To analyze cause-and-effect relationships

But winning isn't everything in the Stock Market Game. Teachers, students and graduates cite benefits ranging from illuminating a career path to honing Internet research skills to bringing home the importance of saving and investing toward a real-life goal.

Data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) show that students who have participated in the Stock Market Game scored statistically significantly higher on the NAEP exam than their counterparts.

GCEE Offers Teacher Training

That's where the Georgia Council's emphasis on teacher training enters the equation. Before they can lead student teams, Georgia teachers must attend introductory training through the Stock Market Game workshop that teaches them to give their young investors the long-range view. Teachers receive a comprehensive set of lesson plans to ensure the program is implemented as an academic simulation and not just a game. Finer points of the market are explained to teachers, and teachers learn to integrate the simulation across the curriculum.

Dr. John Swinton and his team of researchers at Georgia College reported in an article in the Journal of Consumer Education that students whose teachers participated in a Stock Market Game workshop scored statistically significantly higher on the Georgia Economics End-of-Course Test than students whose teachers had not participated in the SMG workshop.

To get started, contact: Barbara Futrell, Georgia SMG Coordinator
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Centers for Economic Education

These university-based Centers for Economic Education serve as your local link to the state, national, and international network of economic educators. Contact the site nearest your school for assistance with curriculum development, access to instructional resources and teacher workshops.

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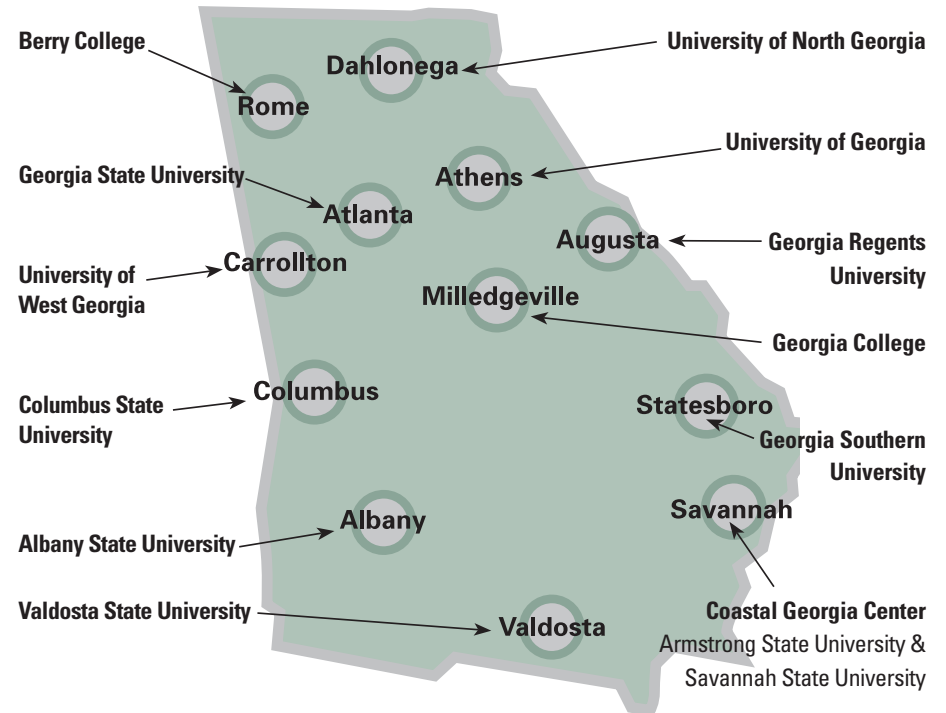
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EconomicsAmerica marks a commitment by a public school system or independent school to integrate economics throughout the curriculum. These public school systems and independent schools have made this formal commitment. Together, they enroll more than 70 percent of Georgia's students.

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EconomicsAmerica Coordinators

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	Oak Mountain Academy TBA	St. Pius X Catholic TBA		

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Teaching Teachers Economics: What We Do Works



The Georgia Council on Economic Education has been teaching teachers how to teach economics since 1972. Anecdotal evidence showed that our workshops had an impact in Georgia's classrooms. To put that informal evidence to the test, researchers from Georgia College examined End-of-Course Test (EOCT) scores in economics for three years for a cumulative total of about 180,000 unique observations.

The team found that students of teachers who attended GCEE workshops performed statistically significantly higher on the EOCT than students whose teachers had never attended a GCEE workshop. In fact, the more workshops teachers attended, the better their students performed on

the EOCT. (The Georgia Milestones Assessment System replaced the EOCT at the end of 2014.)

Proof positive that teacher training from the Georgia Council is effective for teachers and their students.

Most of the workshops, programs and materials are provided to Georgia teachers at no charge.

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