GOSS NEWS

THE GEORGIA ORGANIZATION FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

Annual Conference Proposal Deadline

October 26

St. Simons is out of reach this year, but we still want to give everyone an opportunity to get together with colleagues to re-energize and learn from one another! Therefore, the Georgia Organization for Student Success has decided to go virtual for its 2021 conference. We are also delighted to add a conference co-host this year, our friends at the USG.

Our conference theme is: *Pan(aca)demic: Student Success Amid Chaos.* This conference will offer a blend of live, real-time speakers, small-group discussion gatherings, and workshops with easily accessible pre-recorded conference presentations on a variety of topics.

The conference registration fee will be only **$5 per person**, so be sure to invite your friends and colleagues to join us! Click **here** for more details and a link to submit your proposal. Proposals are due Monday, October 26th.

Please contact GOSS President Laura Lease (llease@wesleyancollege.edu), GOSS President-Elect Stephen Raynie (sraynie@gordonstate.edu), or USG Assistant Vice Chancellor for Transitional and General Education Barbara Brown (barbara.brown@usg.edu) with questions. For more information, you may also visit the GOSS website at www.gadeonline.net or friend us on Facebook at GADE: Georgia Association for Developmental Education.

Mindset Minute

Give helpful, specific feedback.

Suggest alternative learning strategies.

Increase opportunities to demonstrate learning through revision and retesting.

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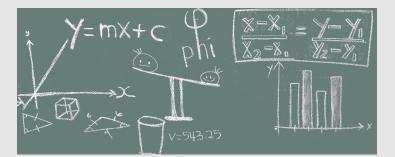**Web Master**

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Motivating Students

In a new short course exploring learning mindsets, the USG notes that students are more motivated when they see connections between coursework and their own interests. One free intervention that can help students find purpose and relevance in their course work is from characterlab.org. According to its web site, building connections, "taps into students' intrinsic curiosity and motivation."

Interested? Follow this link: https://characterlab.org/activities/build-connections-for-classrooms/.

For a direct link to the activity, click here: https://characterlab.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2019/03/characterlab_buildconnections.pdf.

The **Georgia Organization for Student Success (GOSS)** is a state affiliate of the **National Organization for Student Success (NOSS)**.

Want to go to Vegas? 2021 NOSS conference info: https://thenoss.org/.

J-CASP: Journal of College Academic Support Programs: https://journals.tdl.org/jcasp/

Overcoming Barriers to Math Success

High-cost texts and materials can present a barrier to student success. The University of West Georgia has addressed this issue with MyOpenMath and won a Momentum Year Award for Excellence in Teaching and Curricular Innovation. The award portfolio documents significant pass rate growth. If you are interested, click here: https://www.usg.edu/faculty_affairs/assets/faculty_affairs/documents/FreshmenMathProgram_CurricularInnovationAward.pdf.

Free Resources that You Can Use to Improve Student Outcomes

Grit online or in the F2F classroom

Latoya Hardeman's Grit Web site: https://learnwithlatoya.wordpress.com/

Initiatives to support student success

Motivate Lab: https://motivatelab.org/

Social belonging and growth mindset interventions

PERTS (Projects for Education Research that Scales): https://www.perts.net/