Welcome back to the GPP newsletter! The 2016-2017 school year will be wrapping up before we know it. Please support our students during this time to finish the year strong and successfully, both at work and at school! Mentors and supervisors should also discuss summer or after graduation plans with students now so each student knows what comes next for them. High School graduation is just one step out of many for a successful life!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Daniella Ramirez, who worked for the Technical College System of Georgia while in GPP, recently was awarded a FULL TUITION scholarship from the Posse Foundation!!!! Danielle is taking full advantage of this opportunity and has made the decision to attend George Washington University in Washington D.C. We are so proud of Daniella and this huge accomplishment! She is another example of how GPP is preparing students to graduate high school with skills and solid plans for the future! Way to go Danielle!!!! This is just the next step on the road to success!

Reminder

• The end of the school year is approaching. Please send all names of graduates (as they will appear on their diploma) to Hilda Smith or Zemoria Webb. GPP certificates and cords will be mailed to responding sites in time for graduation celebrations.

• Student Rosters are due March 10th. These are important so we can document all the great work sites are doing! Please send to Heather Flury (heather@gpppartnership.org)
Union County High School GPP students pose for a photo during the Leadership Conference at Brasstown Valley Resort. The event was funded by the 21st Century Grant they received this year.

GPP students from Buhler Quality Yarns recently completed their Teddies for Kids Service Project that culminated when the City of Jefferson Fire Department came to Buhler. The students presented the teddy bears they collected from employees over the month of December. The bears will be used by area fire departments to give to children who have lost their homes in fires.

Students in the DeKalb County GPP program are taking full advantage of the resources provided by the monthly collaborative Life Skills sessions. A number of students will be attending our partner site, Georgia Piedmont Technical College, in the fall after graduating from high school. It’s great to see GPP students realizing their potential, learning about available opportunities AND successfully moving on to higher education!

Don’t forget to reach out to your site coordinators for the GaBEST grading rubrics. This way, you can follow along and be sure your students are eligible for certification at the end of the school-year.