

Using Data and Research to Improve Education in Georgia

- 11:00 - 11:15 Introductions and Opening Remarks from Dean Mary Beth Walker
- 11:15 – 12:15 *Learning from our Neighbors - How Florida and North Carolina have Leveraged Data and Collaborations with Researchers to Inform Policy*
- Christy Hovanetz, Senior Policy Fellow, Foundation for Excellence in Education and former Assistant Deputy Commissioner in Florida
 - Clara Muschkin, Director, North Carolina Education Data Center
 - Q&A
- 12:15 – 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:00 *Transforming Data Into Knowledge - Georgia's University-Based Researchers*
- Kevin Fortner, Dan Kreisman, Tim Sass and David Sjoquist GSU
 - Ben Scafidi, KSU
 - Christopher Cornwell and David Mustard, UGA
 - Q&A
- 2:00 – 2:15 Break
- 2:15 – 3:15 *The Foundation for Data Driven Decision-making - Georgia's GAAWARDS Longitudinal Database*
- Sam Rauschenberg, Governor's Office of Student Achievement
 - Jackie Luindberg, Governor's Office of Student Achievement
 - Q&A and Feedback on Data Request Process
- 3:15 - 4:15 *Conversation on Research with Georgia Data*
- An open discussion between university-based researchers and agency researchers
- 4:15 – 4:30 Wrap Up and Next Steps