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Regional education professionals gather to discuss recruiting and retaining of quality educators

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On Friday, September 16, several administrators from regional schools and faculty members from Georgia Southern’s College of Education (COE) gathered to discuss the topic of “recruiting and retaining quality educators for Southeast Georgia.” This event was hosted by COE’s Partnership Council which is an advisory body that works collaboratively to enhance educational opportunities in Southeast Georgia.

Those attending the partnership summit received updates on initiatives being used in the state, county, and university-level from guest speakers including: COE Dean Thomas Koballa, Bob Michael of the University System of Georgia, Kelly Spence of Bulloch County Schools, and COE Partnership Coordinator Christine Draper. Attendees also worked in small groups to share their own experiences discuss strategies and for current issues seen in the region for education including: addressing a diverse
teaching core, recruitment in teacher preparation, recruitment of current teachers in the region, retaining teachers, and changing the mindset and public perspective of teaching.

For more information about the Partnership Council, please visit https://coe.georgiasouthern.edu/partnerships/about/