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# CFP Extra Yard for Teachers at Georgia Southern University

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The College Football Playoff (CFP) Foundation's primary platform, Extra Yard for Teachers, elevates the teaching profession by inspiring and empowering educators through the implementation of programs in four focus areas: resources, recognition, recruitment and professional development.

The CFP Foundation utilizes multiple partnerships to execute its initiatives and support positive educational outcomes.

This year, Georgia Southern University Athletics and the College of Education are partnering with the CFP Extra Yard for Teachers initiative to show appreciation for teachers throughout Bulloch, Chatham and Liberty Counties, the home locations of the University's three campuses.

Sixteen \$500 classroom improvement grants will be awarded to deserving teachers from the three counties based on grant applications and itemized budgets submitted before the deadline of Friday, September 13. Teachers who are named recipients of the Extra Yard for Teachers classroom grants will be recognized at the Georgia Southern Teacher Appreciation Football game on Saturday, October 26, when the Eagles take on New Mexico State. Each grant recipient will receive two complimentary tickets to the game and are asked to attend for an on-field presentation.

Extra Yard for Teachers classroom improvement grant applications will open on Tuesday, September 3. Teachers may begin considering classroom initiatives or projects that they would like to submit for consideration.

A committee consisting of College of Education faculty and students will complete a double blind review of grant applications, where all personal and identifying information is removed from application information. Grant recipients will be notified no later than the second week in October, and a representative from Georgia Southern Athletics and/or the College of Education will visit schools to present a check each winner on a date that is convenient for the schools, grant recipients, and University representatives.

"We look forward to seeing the initiatives and projects that teachers in Bulloch, Chatham and Liberty Counties put forth as a part of the Extra Yards for Teachers initiative," said Senior Associate Athletic Director of Student-Athlete Services Reggie Simpkins. "This partnership is exciting as we get to recognize teachers who are a vital part of our campus communities."

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