

North Georgia Conference Directors Association  
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Dear Weekday School Directors,

The North Georgia Conference Directors Association has been in existence for over 20 years. It includes directors who serve not only in Methodist Churches but also in churches from other denominations as well. We invite you to become a member.

We believe that we can help each other with information about good practices, offer fellowship with others who are experiencing similar challenges, and gain access to quality training experiences for ourselves and our teaching staff. Our goal is to foster great programs in all church schools.

We hope you will enjoy the opportunity to discuss such topics as: management policies, recruiting and staffing issues, best practices in early childhood, financial issues, registration and tuition practices, and support for the families of preschool children. Frequently we enlist speakers on these subjects who can share innovative ideas in our congenial setting. The opportunity to share information with experienced directors is invaluable and the fellowship with other church-based professionals can support you in a stressful ministry.

We hope that you will join our association for the upcoming school year. The dues are just \$25. The registration form is included with this letter. If you have any questions, please contact one of the co-presidents: Sally Newkirk (770-998-8699 or [snewkirk@rumc.com](mailto:snewkirk@rumc.com)) or Karen Coffeen (770-590-0982 or [kcoffeen@duewest.org](mailto:kcoffeen@duewest.org)). A list of our meeting dates and sites is also attached. Members receive email reminders of meetings throughout the year.

We also encourage you to pursue certification for your preschool as a 'Program of Excellence' through the process we have established. Application forms for the certification process are included with this letter and the website provides a list of procedures. In addition, DeDe Reilly will contact all schools that are up for re-certification this year.

We hope that you will get involved in this great organization. You'll learn something at every meeting and make new friends too!

Sincerely,

Board of Officers  
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