



2011-2012 Gwinnett Student Leadership Team, Inc. Leadership through Learning, Teaching, and Serving

GSLT Board of Directors

An eighteen-member board composed of educational and business leaders oversees the organization. The Internal Revenue Service has identified the Gwinnett Student Leadership Team as a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt initiative.

GSLT Mission

To develop student leaders who enhance the function of leadership throughout their local schools by shaping culture and performance.

GSLT Vision

As part of a system of world-class schools, GSLT strives to...

- Develop and instill a leadership mindset in students.
- Develop a cadre of students who implement leadership skills within the local schools and communities through peer facilitation.
- Create a legacy of leadership that promotes student involvement and overall excellence.

GSLT Goals

- To provide opportunities for students to realize, enhance, and apply their leadership skills
- To provide opportunities for students to participate in the local school improvement process by developing and enhancing the function of leadership throughout the local schools
- To acquaint student leaders with important community issues and challenges
- To provide opportunities for students to interact with business and civic leaders

Key Elements of the GSLT Initiative

- A coherent and consistent curriculum of core + elective experiences
- Highest quality curriculum design, materials, and delivery methods including eight mini-movies illustrating each leadership concept, written curriculum, facilitator guides, interactive web site, and a youth leadership summit hosted by GSLT in Gwinnett County
- Leadership development through learning, teaching, and serving by facilitating leadership training at each Gwinnett public high school

Number of Schools Involved and Students Directly Involved

- 21 including all public high schools in Gwinnett County Public Schools and Buford City Schools
- Six students per year (three juniors and three seniors) from each Gwinnett public high school who receive direct instruction in core leadership principles
- A total of 124 students participating in GSLT in the 2011-2012 school year: 61 Seniors and 63 Juniors

Menu of Options for Implementation at the Local High School

- Pre-requisite for holding student leadership positions in school organizations and clubs
- Training of student leaders in local school organizations and clubs
- Mentoring of student leaders and other students in the local schools
- Elective course offered during Seventh Period and in Community Schools
- Dissemination of curriculum to ninth and tenth grades and possibly the middle grades
- Presentations to local business and civic groups
- Participation in Local School Improvement Process

Accomplishments

- 523 Graduates
- Postsecondary education by the 2011 GSLT graduating class at 25 different universities in 11 states
- Community service projects including raising \$52,000 and building a Habitat for Humanity House and collecting 35,000 books for a community literacy project
- 1,365 leadership sessions hosted in twenty high schools affecting over 375,813 students from 2005-2011