

**Spotlight on Excellence**  
**Phil Pickens Leadership Award 2018 Nominee**



**Rhonda Black**  
**Pulaski County**

**Accolades of Leadership**

- Supported Heart of Georgia Transition Alliance, through GLRS
- Tutors students in need in the juvenile justice system

**Modeling Collaboration and Partnership**

- Supported tri-county Buddy Ball and Special Olympics
- Worked to support pre-school aged children with disabilities through the “Hand in Hand” collaborative program
- Provides parent support through transportation to Special Olympics events, IEP meetings

**Building Home/School/Community Partnerships**

- Hosted Christmas Gala in recognition of student employment achievements

**Support PM Involvement in CLIP**

- Supported Parent Mentor as district ASPIRE lead
- Supported Parent Mentor’s efforts to work with parents to help students with math concepts through the PM newsletter tool

**Leadership and Involvement with GaPMP**

- Promoted and supported GaPMP through supporting the work of two mentors, encouraging them in their leadership roles in the GaPMP