# Spotlight on Excellence Phil Dickens Leadership Award 2018 Nominee









#### **Accolades of Leadership**

Became Director of Special Education after twenty five years in education

## **Modeling Collaboration and Partnership**

- Prioritized building relationships between families and school system staff
- Maintain high visibility at schools, availability to parents
- Encourages close collaboration with families and teachers to develop student goals and ensure they are successfully met

## **Building Home/School/Community Partnerships**

 To meet student behavioral support needs, built a partnership with the University of Georgia's Center for Autism and Behavioral Education Research

### **Support PM Involvement in CLIP**

- Emphasized SSIP processes with students who receive special education services across K-12, throughout the system
- Host parent nights, in partnership with Parent Mentor, to share information with families on special education as well as behavioral strategies

#### **Leadership and Involvement with GaPMP**

 Promoted and supported GaPMP through partnering with Parent Mentor in providing parent information sessions, and providing PM information to families with IEPs through the Notice of Meeting

