

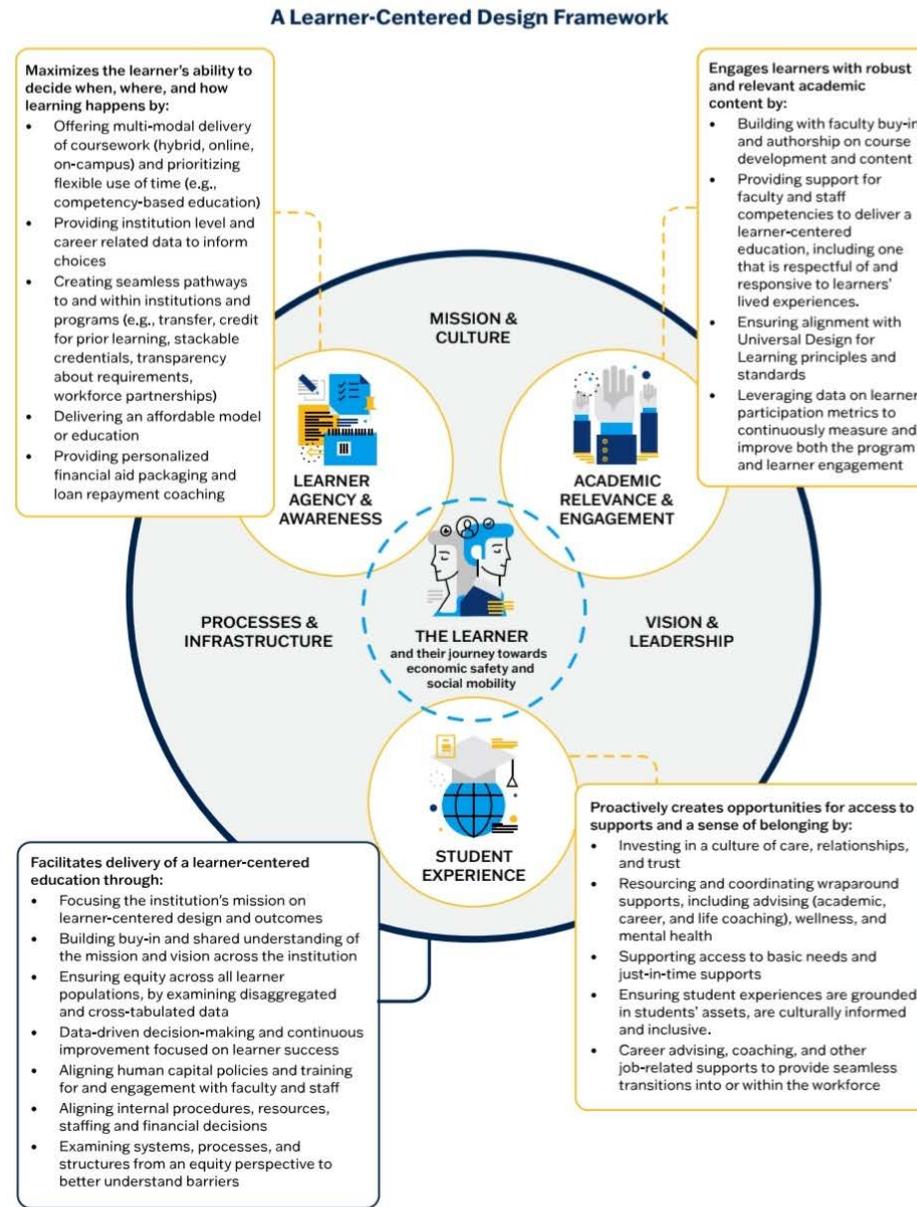
# Organizing Adults in the School Community





Early Learning

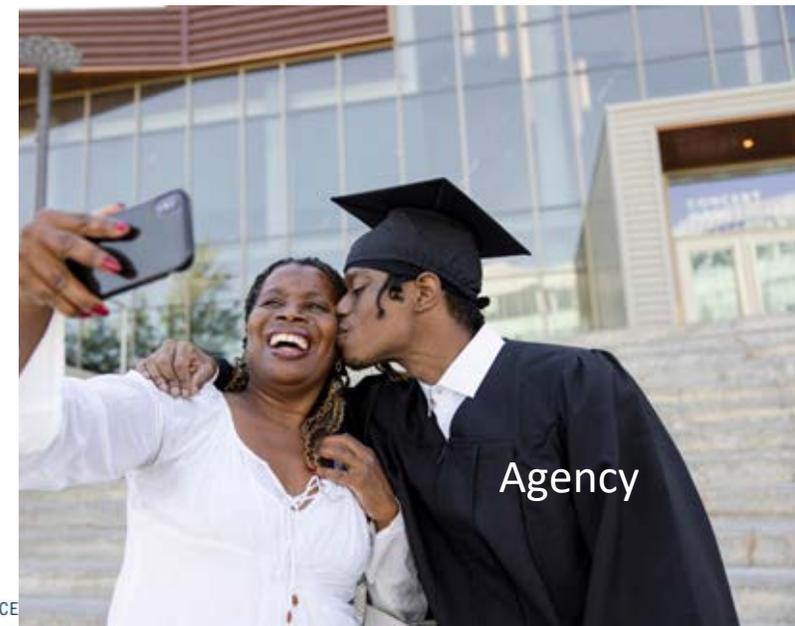
Figure 1. A Learner-Centered Framework



Foundations



Exploration



Agency

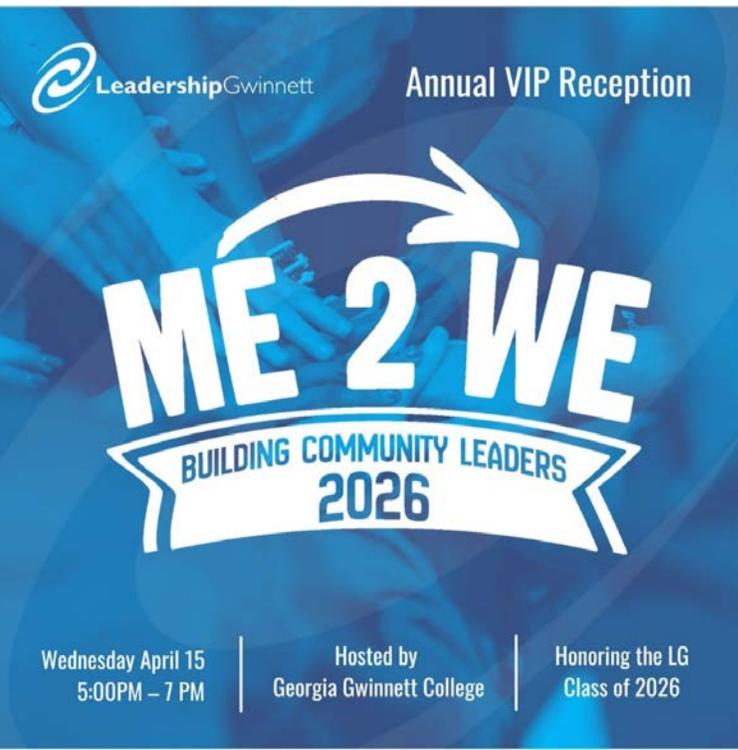
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Talent](#)

Proud to see this vision become reality.



**Georgia's 14 Career Clusters**

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Construction
- Supply Chain and Transportation
- Public Service and Safety
- Education
- Healthcare and Human Services
- Hospitality, Events, and Tourism
- Arts, Entertainment, and Design
- Financial Services
- Agriculture
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Marketing and Sales
- Management and Entrepreneurship
- Digital Technology

GaDOE's Office of Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education has begun integrating the updated structure statewide and has provided guidance and resources to local school systems to support implementation. Through this modernization effort, Georgia is working to ensure students graduate prepared and employers have a strong pipeline of skilled, career-ready talent.



# Portrait of a Graduate



# We Are North



## North Gwinnett honors Gary Billion

### [Gary Billion Invitational](#)

#### [Jim Yike](#)

Mar 22, 2006

This isn't a story about a track meet with national level competitors posting eye popping times. It's not about an athlete that broke a state or national record. North Gwinnett High School took the time last week to honor a man that has a lot to teach us all and that man is Gary Billion.

I used to teach at North Gwinnet High School. I spent an amazing fourteen years there. During that time, I had the honor of meeting Gary Billion. Gary came up to me one day at a track meet flashing a million (or is it a billion?) dollar smile and wished us good luck in the meet that day. He became a fixture at the school, showing up for all the home meets, sitting in his wheelchair, sharing in the joy that is high school track and field. When one of our athletes would make the paper, I could always count on Gary to have a copy of the press

clipping for the kids. He has a genuine love for the kids...always has. I don't think I ever saw the man without a smile on his face or without a kind word for the kids. The team could always count on Gary to be there, rooting for them from his section next to the home bleachers. At the end of the meet, he'd often be there to congratulate or console but without fail, he met you with that billion-dollar smile.

This past weekend, North Gwinnett took the time to honor Gary with the *1st Annual Gary Billion Invitational*, a tribute to a man whose contributions to his community are priceless. His genuine love for the kids of the community and his commitment to the school made this one an honor long overdue. Congratulations to the folks at North Gwinnett for taking time to pay back an individual that has given so much to others over the years. In a day and age, where we all seem too busy to slow down and take stock of what's important, Gary Billion seems to have his priorities straight and has made an impact that will outlive us all.



North Gwinnett Schools Foundation Presents:

# LEGACY & LEADERSHIP

Partner Appreciation Breakfast



**Tuesday, March 24, 2026**  
7:30 AM 9:30 AM  
**North Gwinnett High School (MPR Room)**  
20 Level Creek Rd | Suwanee, GA

## You're Invited



Please join us for an exclusive morning of connection and appreciation as we celebrate the business and community leaders whose partnership continues to shape the future of the North Gwinnett Cluster.

Event Highlights:

- ✓ Breakfast
- ✓ Leadership Networking
- ✓ Behind the Scenes Impact Tour
- ✓ Grant Impact Insights
- ✓ Guest Speaker



By Invitation Only. Guests of our valued sponsors are welcome.



**Our Goal** is to foster student success. We do this by providing enrichment tools and academic support to the outstanding educators in our six schools. Our teachers use vertical team-teaching techniques and collaborative planning to accomplish high levels of learning and achievement in the classroom-supporting the individual capabilities and unique learning style of each student. By selecting items not supported through county and state funding, we are able to support and encourage all students. Our focus is often on special education, fine arts and recreational learning techniques. The grants we fund foster this spirit, allowing "outside of the box" teaching methods which has helped make NG one of the most successful school districts in the state of Georgia.

# Vision

North Gwinnett High School will be a global leader in learning.



**MISSION**



North Gwinnett High School inspires and empowers students to excel in learning, leadership, and life.



## Why CHARGE north?

"What excites me most about CHARGE north is its culture of innovation and creativity. Here, students don't just learn – they build, experiment, and push boundaries. Whether it's designing prototypes in engineering, coding projects, or crafting a thesis in language arts, CHARGE north nurtures originality and problem solving. Instead of just absorbing knowledge, we apply it, take risks, and refine ideas through trial and error. It's this dynamic blend of engineering, creativity, and fearless innovation that makes CHARGE north an environment where I don't just learn – I invent, adapt, and grow. "

"It's OK to Change"



Digital Technology

"From coding programs and designing accessible technologies to improving education and public health, I've learned that every dataset has a story, and I hope my story will make a difference."



Sophia Fortuna  
Maxwell High School  
of Technology

