

2005 PRESTIGIOUS PARTNERSHIPS OF THE YEAR

C.H. Gullatt Elementary School and Energy Fitness—Energy Fitness joined the C.H. Gullatt team to implement educational health programs that help students' academic and physical performance. Their programs emphasize nutrition while building self-confidence and self-esteem. Activities taught by the Energy Fitness staff are integrated with state curriculum standards and give students an opportunity to apply learning in real situations. By serving as mentors and role models, these staff members also reinforce value lessons.

Roswell High School and Pepsi—Pepsi and Roswell High School are an unbeatable combination, focusing on academic and extracurricular challenges. Pepsi provided SAT review books and college scholarship funding. They have sponsored events such as the Social Skills Outdoor Challenge, a team-building event focused on developing collaborative skills and geared for students with behavior disorders. Pepsi also has sponsored numerous teams, organizations, and activities.

Tri-Cities High School and the Doubletree Hotel—A long-time partner with Tri-Cities High School, the Atlanta Airport Doubletree Hotel has given substantially over the past few years. In every aspect of the day, from providing materials and supplies for GHSGT tutorials to bringing freshly baked cookies for tired teachers, the Doubletree is there. The Doubletree has provided academic support, greatly discounted rates for school functions, and recognition for staff members.

Tri-Cities High School and Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport—Hartsfield-Jackson has supplied volunteers, teaching supplies and materials for staff, school supplies for students, jackets for the Tri-Cities Ambassadors, and more. In addition to offering internship and job shadowing opportunities, writing activities and art display space at the airport, Hartsfield-Jackson is active in the school's Aviation Club and provides real-life experience to students interested in a career in the industry – not just as pilots, but in every job involved in a large airport.

Parklane Elementary School and SCANA—Parklane Elementary School is proud to be a partner with SCANA, the founder of its Homework Center. SCANA supports 55 students in grades 3-5 and funds three teachers and one assistant for the program. Incentives such as CDs, books, and t-shirts are given for attendance, academics, and behavior. The partner sponsors an end-of-year celebration for all participants, and gives away a free trip to Disney to a lucky student and his or her family.

North Springs High School and Keep Sandy Springs/North Fulton Beautiful—Keep Sandy Springs/North Fulton Beautiful works directly with North Springs teachers and students in many areas of student achievement. This organization conducts classes on environmental issues, provides materials for hands-on labs, and serves as a site for a mentorship class. KSSNFB sponsors a number of programs and events and provides support for Laconia, the school's outdoor classroom.

North Springs High School and Chick-fil-A at North Springs—Chick-fil-A at North Springs believes in supporting the community, particularly schools. The partner works with North Springs students, parents, coaches and sponsors to seek new ways to raise funds for curricular competitions and also sponsors key events, including NSHS Arbor Day and the Technology and Career Fair. Employees coach students on interview skills, and provide food and coupons for various events. Chick-fil-A manager Brad Roper also serves on North Springs' LSAC.

Creekside High School and Southside Seafood—Creekside High School and Southside Seafood partnered to provide hands-on learning and work skills development opportunities for students receiving a special education diploma. The business partner provided fish and other food products and oversaw the management program for food storage, meal preparation, customer service, and profit/loss margins. The end result was a program called "Fish Fry Friday," a student-operated business that prepares, sells, and delivers seafood meals to faculty and staff.

Crabapple Middle School and Kiwanis Club of Historic Roswell/Ron Jackson—The Kiwanis Club of Historic Roswell has provided tremendous support to Crabapple Middle School students. They are active participants in the Mathletes weekly mentoring program and the Saturday Scholars Math Program. Kiwanis member and former School Board Member Ron Jackson has spearheaded new initiatives, including the purchase of workbooks for the math mentors program and new dry erase boards for tutors to use in the Saturday Scholars program. The Kiwanis Club also sponsors a recognition program for outstanding students.

Mimosa Elementary School and UPS Supply Chain Solutions—The question, "What can Brown do for you?" is not a rhetorical one at Mimosa Elementary. UPS Supply Chain Solutions is the nerve center behind the corporation and part of the heart of Mimosa. From making the holidays merry for students to reading to classes, UPSSC supports Mimosa's students in every way possible. Employees serve as mentors, tutors, lunch buddies, and VIP Pals who check on how students are doing in their classes and let them know they care.

A. Philip Randolph Elementary School and Turner Broadcasting/Steve Smith—With the support of Turner Broadcasting, Steve Smith provides time, funds, and energy for numerous programs at A. Philip Randolph. He has devoted more than 5,000 volunteer hours to students while also supporting the PTA and the Men of Randolph, a group that provides mentoring and role modeling for young men. Mr. Smith has arranged speakers for the school, such as Congressman John Lewis. Students were thrilled when he shared his experiences working with the late Asa Philip Randolph.