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Dear Jennifer,

KINDNESS: Guilford County Schools Character Theme for November. As we embark on the upcoming holiday season, it is a wonderful time to reflect on both the kindness that has been shown to us and that which we've shown to others. How do you show care, compassion and friendship to others? Tell us at [#guilfordeducationalliance](https://twitter.com/guilfordeducationalliance) on Twitter or post a comment on our [Facebook](#) page!

Let us know what you are doing so that we can highlight your school's service project or outstanding academic progress! Email us details and pictures to GEA@GuilfordEducationAlliance.org.

What an amazing Education Summit! Thanks to everyone who "woke up with us" last Wednesday. We were presented with the [2011 Education Matters report](#), which is now available online, and an informative keynote address from Dr. Jim Goodnight of SAS. We hope you will use the information learned to move forward in advocating for quality public education in Guilford County and North Carolina!

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School Board Meetings

Click on the date to find the agenda and materials from the [November 8](#) meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, **November 22, 6:30 pm** in the Board Room at 712 N. Eugene Street.

Sincerely,
Guilford Education Alliance

Guilford Education Alliance News

There's still time to sign up TODAY!!
Are you a runner or walker? Interested in doing a 5K, 1/2 marathon or full marathon?
Consider the [2011 UnitedHealthcare North Carolina Marathon](#) in
High Point Saturday, November 19!
When you register, choose Guilford Education Alliance as a community partner!

Check out the new [AchieveGuilford!](#)
As announced at the Education Summit last week,
AchieveGuilford is a new initiative to align community resources
focusing on Every Child Ready: Cradle to Career.

Guilford County Education News

Charter Schools Seek Approval

Alicia Minkins has waited years to open a charter school that empowers students to start businesses and solve problems in their community. [Read more...](#)

North Carolina Education News

NC Selected to Participate in National Teacher Effectiveness Policy Effort

North Carolina is one of three states and one territory to be selected to participate in a national teacher effectiveness policy effort. The National Governors Association (NGA) has announced that North Carolina - along with Colorado, Nevada and Guam - will be a contributor to the *State Strategies to Evaluate Teacher Effectiveness Policy Academy*. [Read more...](#)

National Education News

Counselors See Conflicts in Carrying Out Mission

Middle and high school counselors believe they have a unique and powerful role to play in preparing all students for good jobs or college, but they feel hamstrung by insufficient training, competing duties, and their own schools' priorities, according to a study released today. [Read more...](#)

Why Science Majors Change Their Minds (It's Just So Darn Hard)

LAST FALL, President Obama threw what was billed as the first White House Science Fair, a photo op in the gilt-mirrored State Dining Room. He tested a steering wheel designed by middle schoolers to detect distracted driving and peeked inside a robot that plays soccer. It was meant as an inspirational moment: children, science is fun; work harder. [Read more...](#)

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