

## **Master of Ceremonies**

Ms. Hilliary Johnson, Secondary English Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Welcome**

Ms. Lindsay Johnson, Elementary Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Occasion**

Mr. Thomas Moses, Secondary Mathematics Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **“I Am a Teacher”**

Ms. Brianna Schultz, Secondary English Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Introduction of Speaker(s)**

Ms. Nicole Reynolds, Business Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Presentation by Guest Speaker**

Dr. June Atkinson, North Carolina State  
Superintendent of Public Instruction

## **Questions and Answers Session**

Facilitated by Ms. Hilliary Johnson

## **Moment of Appreciation**

Mr. Brandon Morrison, Secondary Biology Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Closing Remarks**

Dr. David Boger, Professor  
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

## **Adjourn and Reception**

## **Dr. June Atkinson Biography**



Dr. June St. Clair Atkinson has served as the North Carolina State Superintendent of Public Instruction since August 2005 and re-elected in 2008. Dr. Atkinson is the first woman elected to the post of State Superintendent. She oversees more than 1.4 million students in over 2,400 public schools.

As State Superintendent, Dr. Atkinson heads the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, an agency which she served for nearly 30 years as a chief consultant and director in the areas of business education, career and technical education, and instructional services. A former business education teacher, Dr. Atkinson has been involved in instruction and curriculum development throughout her career. Improving instructional quality and student learning, creating environments that enable teachers' and students' success, and ensuring that education is modern and relevant are key priorities for Dr. Atkinson.

Dr. Atkinson has received numerous awards and held many professional offices. Her most recent honors are the Women of Achievement Award from the General Federation of Women's Club, the Distinguished Alumna Award from the North Carolina State University College of Education, and the Inclusive Leadership Award from the North Carolina Association of Educators, the Friends of Education Award from the North Carolina Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development.

Dr. Atkinson received a Bachelor of Science in Business Education from Radford University in 1969, a Master of Science in Vocational and Technical Education from Virginia Tech in 1974, and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy from North Carolina State University in 1996. After graduating from Radford, Dr. Atkinson taught high school in Roanoke, Va. and Charlotte, N.C.

Dr. Atkinson is married to Dr. William Gurley, a Cary orthodontist and former assistant professor at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. She has one sister, two nephews and one niece. She is a member of the First United Methodist Church of Cary.

## About the Emergent Educational Leadership Seminar Series

During the spring 2011 semester, several faculty and staff members within the Department of Curriculum and Instruction have worked diligently to implement the first-ever *Emergent Educational Leadership Seminar Series*. The purpose of the seminar series, which is intended for candidates who are pursuing initial teaching licensure in any content area, is to raise candidates' awareness of issues germane to the teaching profession, especially as it relates to sociocultural and sociopolitical matters emerging in our 21<sup>st</sup> Century public schools. To accomplish this purpose, the seminar series has three distinct goals: (1) to increase candidate knowledge of critical issues K-12 classroom teachers encounter in public school contexts, (2) to enhance the social capital of candidates and their access to physical and human resources, and (3) to forge relationships between candidates, faculty, staff, and other stakeholders.

We extend our sincere appreciation to each of our guest presenters for the seminar series during the spring 2011 semester. Faculty, staff, and students are welcome to attend each session at no cost. Our calendar for the spring semester is:

- March 16, 2011 Ms. Deena Hayes, District 8 Representative,  
Guilford County Schools Board of Education
- Ms. Monica Walker, Diversity Officer,  
Guilford County Schools
- March 23, 2011 Ms. Augusta Mann,  
Urban Scholar In Residence
- April 20, 2011 Dr. June Atkinson, Superintendent,  
North Carolina Superintendent of Public Instruction

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## Emergent Educational Leaders Seminar Series

*"Making a Difference as an Agent of Change"*



**Department of Curriculum and Instruction  
School of Education  
North Carolina A&T State University  
160 Proctor Hall  
Greensboro, North Carolina**

**Wednesday, April 20, 2011  
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

## **Master of Ceremonies**

Ms. Amanda Camacho, Secondary Spanish Education  
North Carolina A&T Teaching Fellow

## **Welcome**

Ms. Brittany McLean, Elementary Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Occasion**

Ms. Jillian Jackson, Elementary Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Poem**

Ms. Chandell Stone, Secondary Math Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Introduction of Speaker(s)**

Ms. Dericka Joyner, Elementary Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Presentation by Guest Speakers**

NC A&T Travel Abroad Students

Mr. Blaise K. Stevens and Mr. Ellison Neese  
Principal Financial Group

## **Questions and Answers Session**

Facilitated by Ms. Amanda Camacho

## **Moment of Appreciation**

Ms. Ebony Johnson, Elementary Education  
North Carolina A&T State University

## **Closing Remarks**

Dr. Dawn Waegerle, Assistant Professor  
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

## **Adjourn and Reception**

## **Guest Speaker Biography**

**Ms. Tiffany King, Ms. Bethany Penn, Ms. Blaire Penn, Ms. Raquel Hailey, Ms. Erica Wright, Ms. Shaunty Clowney, Ms. Tyrece Starkey, and Ms. Brittany Jones** are scholars from the School of Education at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University who accompanied Dr. Ioney James, Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction, and Dr. Tyrette Carter, Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction, to Jamaica during the summer of 2011. For several weeks, these students and faculty worked collaboratively with faculty from Jamaica to improve the literacy and mathematics skills of students.

**Mr. Blaise K. Stevens**, MBA, CFP® has spent the last seven years working with individuals and business to help them develop and achieve their financial goals. Blaise specializes in retirement planning and distribution, as well as estate planning, tax efficient strategies, and risk protection. Blaise completed his Bachelors of Science (BS) degree in Psychology with a Minor in Music from Western Carolina University. From there, he received a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) with a concentration in Finance from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG).

**Mr. Ellison Neese** graduated in May 2010 from the University of South Carolina Columbia Campus with a Bachelor of Science. As a student at the University of South Carolina, Mr. Neese was President of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, member of Omicron Delta Kappa honor fraternity, member of Gamma Sigma Alpha Greek Academic Fraternity and on Student Government as a Senator. He is currently Financial Services Representative for Principal since. He is licensed in South Carolina and North Carolina for FINRA Securities Life/Health/Long Term Care. Additionally, Mr. Neese is actively involved in Habitat for Humanity and the Big Sisters Big Brother Program as well as a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and the alumni advisor to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

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| September 21, 2011 | Panel of Administrators<br>Principals from Guilford County Schools                                   |
| October 5, 2011    | Mr. Blaise K. Stevens and Mr. Ellison Neese<br>Principal Financial Group                             |
| November 9, 2011   | Dr. Abul Pitre, Chairperson,<br>Leadership Studies Department<br>North Carolina A&T State University |

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**Wednesday, October 5, 2011  
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**