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Miller Elementary Teacher Selected for TESOL Professional Council



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA - Miller Elementary School English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) teacher, Kendra Castelow, has been chosen to serve as a member of the 2019-2020 Conferences Professional Council of Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). She was invited to serve on the council after completing a one-year term as a local co-chair of the 2019 TESOL Convention Planning Team. The TESOL International Board of Directors received a large number of applications for only a few available council seats, which created a very competitive selection process.

Castelow began her one-year term at the end of the last school year in April as a Professional Council member. She has the option to renew her appointment on April 1, 2020, and to serve up to a maximum of three years.

The Council ensures the content and program of TESOL International Association regional conferences and annual convention are focused on current issues that affect the field of English language teaching, responsive to the diverse needs of members and the TESOL field, as well as aligned with the strategic direction of the association. This purpose is achieved by collaborating with staff and the board of directors to establish overall goals for each regional conference and the annual convention, providing advice and guidance as needed.

The ESOL program helps students to succeed socially and academically in all four language skills - speaking, listening, reading and writing. ESOL is federally mandated and established to ensure equal access to instruction for students who have limited English proficiency. Elementary students participate in mainstream classes and receive ESOL instruction based on each student's proficiency level and grade level.

Miller Elementary School is located at 101 Pine Valley Drive in Warner Robins. Elizabeth Johnson serves as principal. For more information, please contact Castelow at 478-929-7814 or Kendra.Castelow@hcbe.net or visit <https://www.tesol.org/>.

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