

Testimonials

What Your Colleagues Say

ELA Teacher

"I have never felt more supported or seen. Mrs. Ellis ensures that every interaction as academic coach ends with positivity towards situations, motivation to try new things, and encouragement when teaching becomes overwhelming."

Math Teacher (SPED)

"Mrs. Ellis is understanding. She listens and helps find solutions for my needs."

Science Teacher

"Coach Ellis talked me through pros and cons for classroom setups, gave ideas for how to do interactive notebooks better, helped brainstorm ideas for District's PL initiative, and observed one of my classes to give pointers on how I could be less stressed by their issues. I never felt like she told me how I had to do something; she 'coached' the whole way: advising, checking-in, encouraging. She is approachable and *wants* to help."

Social Studies Teacher (SPED)

"Mrs. Ellis was a crucial resource during my first year at DCMS. She was willing to answer my questions, provide support with classroom management in my class, and provide resources to improve instruction."

Connections Teacher

"Working with Mrs. Ellis was a great experience. She shared her knowledge and skills which helped me understand lesson plans and many tools for learning."

Incentives

What's in it for YOU?

Coaching Cash

If you engage in these coaching services, you can earn rewards that teachers actually want!

Professional Growth

It is my hope we will learn from one another and implement strategies that will increase student achievement!

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Meet Your Academic Coach!

2024-2025



About Mrs. Ellis

 Starting my 14th year in education

 Former social studies teacher

 2022 Muscogee County Teacher of the Year

 2024 GA Teacher of the Year, Runner-Up

 This is my 2nd year at DCMS!

What is an Academic Coach?

Academic coaches partner with teachers to help them improve teaching and learning so students are more successful.

Coaching Services *What I Can Do For YOU*

- **Lesson plan feedback**
Submit your plans in Canvas and I will provide suggestions
- **Resource locator**
I am happy to search for ideas or resources for an upcoming lesson
- **Content creator**
Share your vision with me and I will create your requested resources
- **Peer observation**
Want to observe another teacher? I'll cover your class so you can!
- **Classroom visit**
I can come in for a focused observation
- **Model a strategy**
Curious about an instructional strategy? Let me model it for you!
- **Technology support**
I can help with technology or connect you with our LIS Lucy Lamb

Coaching Services *What We Can Do TOGETHER*

- **Sounding board**
Need a listening ear? I'm happy to discuss ideas, strategies, solutions
- **Data dive**
Let's look at assessment data together and discuss next steps
- **Review student work**
We can go beyond the numbers and analyze student work samples
- **Co-teaching**
Teaching together can be fun and we can learn from each other!
- **Coaching cycle**
Set goals, pick strategies, monitor progress, and reflect together
- **Reflection**
A debrief session helps us process how things went and plan next steps
- **GaLEADS support**
I can help you prepare for your annual administrative observation