



## GREENVILLE CHAMBER TO PRESENT AT NATIONAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

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Tami Miller, Leadership Development Coordinator and Educator Liaison for the Greenville Chamber is speaking to educators from across the country at the 19<sup>th</sup> National Quality Education Conference held November 6-8, 2011 in Indianapolis, IN. Joining Miller at the conference is Bethel Elementary principal Brenda Byrd, Sue Cleveland Elementary principal Karen Chambers, and Shannon Lyles, Multi Age teacher at Sue Cleveland Elementary.

Representatives from the Greenville Chamber have had the great honor to be invited to present at this important event each year since 2004.

On Sunday, Miller and Byrd presented a session on research-based best practices focused on review-preview learning, specifically the Essential Facts System™, standards-based grade level facts that teachers can use in their classrooms throughout the school year to support classroom instruction and increase student achievement.

Today Miller and Byrd will conduct a presentation based on how school leaders can implement and sustain school cultures based on Continuous Quality Improvement tools and strategies to meet the needs of all learners. Byrd will share with attendees how her school has successfully created cultures where Kindergarten through 5th grade students understand data-driven decision-making and Continuous Improvement Processes, building foundations of Continuous Quality Improvement. Student achievement results on the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards have resulted in an absolute rating of Excellent and a growth rating of Excellent for the 2010 report card, and Bethel recently received the prestigious Palmetto's Finest Award.

Also on Monday, Chambers and Lyles will conduct a presentation sharing their journey and successes at the elementary level by using the plan-do-study-act (PDSA) cycle to cultivate reform and develop leadership in students through character education and academic success. Attendees will learn how two rural elementary schools are using PDSA item analysis and benchmark testing to close the achievement gap and maintain continuous progress for students.