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### Georgia Federal Credit Union Partners with Simon Family Foundation in DeKalb County



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For more information on the Simon Family Foundation please visit [www.simonfamilyfoundation.net](http://www.simonfamilyfoundation.net)



Pictured: Keith Vickers, GFCU Business Development Manager, speaks to Simon Foundation Scholars about the importance of credit and budgeting.

Decatur, GA – Georgia Federal Credit Union began its growing partnership with the Simon Family Foundation, almost a year ago, to provide financial seminars for high school students participating in the program. The students are selected by the Simon Family Foundation from Certified Simon High Schools in DeKalb County. They receive services and support to help them achieve their academic goals. The Foundation also provides scholarships, an annual cash reward, laptops, tutors, leadership training, financial advice and much more.

Georgia Federal Credit Union supports the Simon Family Foundation by conducting seminars that emphasize the importance of credit and budgeting. The Simon Scholars are required to attend a Money Management workshop, administered by the Credit Union, at the beginning of the school year. Once the students complete the workshop, they can then open a savings and checking account with the Credit Union.

Georgia Federal also provides incentives for the Simon Family Foundation students that keep their accounts in good standing for the entire school year. This year, Georgia Federal Credit Union gave a total of \$2,000 as incentives for the students.

Georgia Federal Credit Union and the Simon Family Foundation alike are working together to equip these students with knowledge they can use for a lifetime.

Georgia Federal Credit Union is one of the largest credit unions in the state with \$625 million in assets and 13 branch locations, serving ten county schools systems including DeKalb County School System. Georgia FCU presents programs to faculty and student audiences about financial education topics through their community speakers' bureau and volunteers at career days as part of their school outreach program.