



## Commissioners Training Program

2012 May Mobile Classroom:

# "PLANES, TRAINS AND AUTOMOBILES"

May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>

-In partnership with the Vinson Institute of Government



### Tentative Itinerary

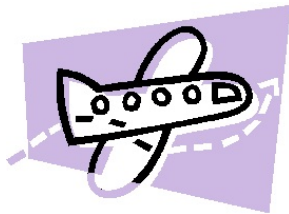
"When you come to a fork in the road, take it." (Yogi Berra)

Join our traveling band on the 2012 May Mobile Classroom for a look at getting people and things from Point A to Point B! Atlanta, Georgia was founded as a transportation center, and the goal of moving "stuff" has defined the growth and vitality of the region and state. The infrastructure that has developed around transportation has impacted the development of the entire state and that impact will not be disappearing anytime soon. "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" examines a few of Atlanta's unique transportation structures and at transportation issues in Georgia that must be addressed to maintain economic viability. Check out the itinerary and make your plans to register – participants will receive six hours elective credit in the Commissioners Training Program, CCAP or Standard of Excellence.

### Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

**7:00 a.m. Check in (somewhere in the shadows of large airplanes...)**

Bring your stuff, park your car and get breakfast before we go! We'll get you checked in and on the bus – so be ready to hit the road!



### Segment 1 Air Transportation

**7:30 a.m.**

**Depart for Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport**

Welcome to the world's busiest airport – right here in Georgia! Our behind-the-scenes tour of Hartsfield-Jackson will give you clues to the structure and coordination needed to handle travel for almost a quarter of a million people a day as well as almost 660,000 metric tons of cargo each year. We'll hear about the challenges facing the air travel industry and air transportation today in the face of rising energy costs and environmental concerns and look at what happens to cargo after it gets off the plane!

*Who Knew? Atlanta's airport has always been busy! By the end of 1930, it placed third behind New York City and Chicago for regular daily flights ... arriving and departing flights totaled 16.*



### Segment 2 Rail Traffic and Multi-Modal Systems

**1:00 p.m. Arrive CSX REDI Campus, Hulsey and Tilford Yards**

Railroads have been an integral cog in the history of Georgia and played a major role in the growth of the state. Today 4900 miles of rail network spreads through Georgia and connect in Atlanta. Rail, air, port and road

networks converge to make Atlanta and Georgia a major gateway to national and international markets. Our happy band of travelers will hear from representatives from CSX, Norfolk Southern, and the Georgia Railroad Association on how our state's rail system operates and the impact rail and multi-modal systems have on our economy. We'll also learn how rail is a lean, "green" option for transportation today. ... And you might even get to play with a locomotive simulator!

*Who Knew? In 2010, 34.5 million tons of goods originated in Georgia and another 83 million tons terminated in the state.*

**6:00 p.m. Return to Renaissance Concourse Atlanta Airport Hotel**  
***We might ... just might ... check out the Braves game ...***

### **Friday, May 18th**

Breakfast and Prepare to hit the road!

### **Segment 3 Automobiles ... and Other Vehicles that Operate on Roads**

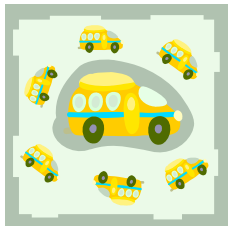
**9:00 a.m. Georgia DOT's Transportation Management Facility**

Good Morning Voyagers! Day 2 of the 2012 Mobile Classroom finds our group at the Transportation Management Facility operated by the Georgia Department of Transportation. We'll see the command center for emergency response to weather-related traffic emergencies in the state and hear how local governments can review and become a part of DOT emergency plans as well as ways DOT can help with your local plans. Real-time traffic monitoring will be explained as well as why maintaining good roads and traffic flow all over the state is important. Heavy equipment used by the department will be available for inspection, including a H.E.R.O. truck.

*Who Knew? According to the Federal Highway Administration, Georgia ranks 9<sup>th</sup> in road miles in the U.S. with a little over 250,000 miles. Texas was first: 654,923 miles!*



**2:30 p.m. Arrive Back at hotel – Have a Safe Trip Home!**



Questions or additional information?  
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**Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration is \$200.00; please check one:**

- Fees paid by check (enclosed)
  - Fees paid by Visa/MasterCard/American Express
- Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Fees Paid \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature (required for credit card)** \_\_\_\_\_

The registration fee covers lunch and dinner on May 17<sup>th</sup> and breakfast and lunch on May 18<sup>th</sup>, all transportation costs, and materials.

**ACCG will make your reservation for the night of May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Renaissance Concourse Atlanta Airport Hotel; the room rate is \$101 per night plus \$6 parking per night. (Don't forget to send your tax exemption forms or tax will be on top of this rate.)**

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_

Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email address for registration/hotel confirmation \_\_\_\_\_



**Please return this form and your registration fee payment to:**

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*If you need special assistance to attend this session or if you have any questions regarding it, please contact Carol Baker at ACCG (800/858-2224).*