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### Ashley Gordon from Quail Run Elementary School Named District Media Specialist of the Year



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Mrs. Ashley Gordon has been named the Houston County School District's Media Specialist of the Year. Mrs. Gordon is a media specialist at Quail Run Elementary School in Warner Robins. She will advance to represent the Houston County School District at the regional level.

Mrs. Gordon has served as the media specialist at Quail Run for the past five years. Mrs. Gordon graduated from Berry College with a degree in English Literature and has a master's degree in Library and Information Science from San Jose State University.

"I'm humbled and honored to be selected for this award," said Mrs. Gordon. "Houston County media specialists are doing amazing work all over the county, and it's a privilege to simply work alongside them! All means all in our media centers too; we are a collaborative bunch!"

This year's library highlight for Mrs. Gordon has been hosting two internationally known children's authors. One shared the exciting globetrotting true story behind his books, and the other taught the students how individual learning differences can be their greatest strengths. She said the students and teachers raved for days following both of their visits.

According to Mrs. Gordon, the job of a media specialist is always a busy one. She shared that at any given time, she is bouncing between a variety of tasks: teaching lessons, shelving books, handling laptops, laminating classroom resources, creating materials, etc. She loves how busy the job is and feels like there's never a dull moment.

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Mrs. Gordon added, “Our superintendent often says there are those who teach and those who support teachers, but the unique role of the media specialist allows you to do both. I get to see every student on a regular basis and plan schoolwide initiatives for both students and teachers. It truly is the best job in the building!”

Quail Run Elementary School is located at 250 Smithville Church Road in Warner Robins. Dr. Amanda Miliner serves as principal. For more information about Quail Run Elementary, visit <https://qres.hcbe.net>.

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