

Dear Parents,

Our unit of study in Social Studies is learning about our government leaders. We will discuss the president, governor, and mayor/city commissioner. This informational letter will help you understand what your child is learning so the content may be discussed at home throughout our study. Listed below is the Georgia Standards of Excellence for our unit. Also included is important vocabulary and examples of what we are learning about.

Happy Learning!

Second Grade Social Studies Teachers

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**Social Studies Standard:**

**SS2CG2 Identify the following elected officials of the executive branch and where they work: president, governor, and mayor**

- The **president** is the leader of our country, **United States of America**.
- The president lives and works in the **White House**.
- Our country's capital city is **Washington, D. C.**
- The White House is in Washington, D. C.
- Some jobs of the president are: being in charge of the military, signing laws for our country, and helping keep peace with other countries.
- The **governor** is the leader of the **state**.
- Our state is **Georgia**.
- The governor works in the **State Capitol Building** which is in the state's capital city.
- **Atlanta** is Georgia's capital city.
- Some jobs of the governor are: signing laws for the state, being in charge of the school's education (what is taught in the schools), and in building roads for the state.
- The **mayor or city commissioner** is the leader of the **city**.
- Our school, Buford Academy, is in the city of **Buford**.
- The mayor or city commissioner works at **City Hall**.
- Some jobs of the mayor or city commissioner are: signing laws for the city, being in charge of the fire and police department for the city, and in building schools for the city.