Rachel Robertson
Private Program TOTY
Oconee Preschool Academy

Elizabeth Arthur
Public School TOTY
Lincoln County Elementary

Rachel lives in Oconee County. She received her bachelor's degree in early childhood education from Georgia College and State University in 2007. She received her master's degree in elementary education from American College of Education in 2021. She teaches the Georgia Pre-K inclusion class at Oconee Preschool Academy in Watkinsville, where she has been teaching since 2020. She loves building relationships with her students and their families. She has known many of her current students since they were babies! In her free time you can find her cheering on her sons in their various sports, going on walks with her husband, reading, or planning our next beach trip.

Elizabeth is a native of Lincolnton, GA, where she has been teaching Pre-K for the last 10 years at Lincoln County Elementary School. Her Pre-K students believe she can sing like Beyonce, dance like a solid gold dancer, and have the artistic ability of Picaso. They love her unconditionally and that is what keeps her going in this career! She graduated from Brenau Women's College in Gainesville, Georgia with a BS in Middle Grades Education and taught middle school for 7 years. She has also received a National Geographic Certification and certification in Birth through Five. She is married with 2 children that kept her extremely busy with sports through high school and now with college life. She enjoys cooking, gardening, attending all sports & XO parent events at UGA, coaching high school cheerleading, and traveling around the world with her family and friends.

2024-2025 teacher of the Year Finalists

Miranda Brewer, Young Einstein's Academy (Cobb County)

Elisabeth Stratford, The Learning Treehouse (Effingham County)

Heather Tomlinson, Daffodil Pre-K Center (Ware County)

Carol Underwood, Union County Primary School (Union County)