

The **BEST** of **NORTHWOOD** Elementary

<https://www.fultonschools.org/northwoodes>

October 16, 2020

BEST = Building Excellence Successfully Together



Calendar Dates

October 22	FCS Board Meeting
October 26	Student Picture Day
November 1	Daylight Saving Time Ends/Change Clocks Back
November 3	NO SCHOOL / Election Day (Teacher Workday)
November 6-19	Virtual Book Fair
November 19	FCS Board Meeting
November 23-27	NO SCHOOL / Thanksgiving Holidays

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NEWS AROUND NORTHWOOD

"My life makes a
difference at
Northwood
Elementary."



THIRD GRADE EXPLORERS

Third grade students have been focusing on the Native Americans in North America. The physical environment in which the indigenous groups settled affected how people met their needs and wants. Students have been learning about the way they obtained food, clothing, and shelter. We have had fun reading different books, watching short videos, and having lots of discussions about how different their lives were from ours. Native Americans have made many contributions to our society. We still use things like moccasins, goggles, and irrigations systems - all things invented by Native Americans. We especially like learning about the Native Americans' respect for nature. As Explorers, we can practice this respect as well.



Fulton County Schools is providing learning resources and technical support for parents and students. Find answers to common questions about Universal Remote Learning at, www.fultonschools.org/UniversalRemoteLearning

BACK IN THE BUILDING

We are excited to have so many Explorers back in the building; and we're looking forward to our first full week. Here are a few reminders for those parents with students participating in Phase 5 fulltime face-to-face instruction:

- School begins at 7:40 a.m.
- Students can enter the building after 7:10 a.m.
- Dismissal is at 2:20 p.m.
- No early check-out after 2 p.m.
- You must have a picture ID for early check-outs.
- All dismissal transportation changes **MUST BE IN WRITING**.

Thank you for your participation and patience as we strive to keep our Explorers safe!



SMILE!

Picture day is coming: Monday, October 26. Look for an email with more details soon.

FALL BACK

Daylight saving time is ending Sunday, November 1. Don't forget to set your clocks back



daylight saving time ends

Parent (Student) COVID-19 Reporting Portal

Submit a COVID-19 Report to the Fulton County Board of Health if your student:

- has tested positive for COVID-19;
- has a pending COVID-19 test result; or
- has been in direct contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more) with someone diagnosed with COVID-19

Backpack Check

Please make sure your Explorer has:

- ✓ Water bottle
- ✓ Mask (an extra one would be helpful)
- ✓ Individual supplies as specified by teacher
- ✓ Devices/chargers (if applicable)
- ✓ Snack/Lunch (optional)
- ✓ Their name on everything!

Fulton County Schools (FCS) recently introduced a new electronic FCS COVID-19 Reporting Portal for parents. This electronic reporting process will allow for a more direct reaction from primarily the Fulton County Board of Health (FCBOH) with support from FCS to promptly respond and address student/family cases of COVID-19. [Click here for direct access to the COVID-19 Parent Reporting Portal.](#)

MORNING CARPOOL PROCEDURES

How can you help? It's a list, but we can do it.
You got this... We got this...



- Please have your child ready to exit the car when you pull up.
 - Explorers should be able to unbuckle their car seats and open and close the vehicle door all by themselves.
 - Explorers should have all materials packed in their bags.
 - Explorers should be ready with their masks.
- Seat your child on the right-side seat of your vehicle so that they can get off quickly without holding up the line.
- Share your hugs, bye, bye and kisses before you reach the carpool loop.
- When in line try to pull in as close as you can to the vehicle in front of you while maintaining a safe distance.
- Please wait in line till the car in front of you moves. Overtaking and creating a second line within the carpool creates a hazardous situation for children exiting from the cars.
- If you are carpooling please go through the entire carpool. Do not let your children out of the car before the unloading zones (i.e. areas which are manning by the carpool staff).

What can I do if my child is not “ready to exit” while in the carpool loop?

- You can pull up front, beyond the first carpool team member and help your child; or...
- You can park in one of the six visitor parking spots and walk your child close to the building close to a Northwood team member.

What can I not do?

- Get off from the driver's side and assist your child during active carpool.
- Not park in the handicapped parking lots without the “handicapped” stickers. Roswell PD/Fire Marshall can issue a ticket to vehicles without “handicapped” stickers.
- Use your cell phone.
- Overtake another vehicle during active unloading.
- Please refrain from challenging our team members during active carpool. Feel free to call/email to share your concerns.
- Please do not engage our staff in a parent teacher conference during active carpool.
- Leave your child at the carpool circle and drive off after the bell has rung and the staff has gone inside.

Reminder: Carpool begins at 7:10 am and closes at 7:40 am. After 7:40 am you will need to check in from the front desk.

MEDIA CENTER

Northwood Elementary Library Book Check Out- Now Available!

We will begin book check outs on Monday, October 5th, for all Northwood students. Students will be able to place books on hold through our online catalog system, Destiny Discover. Books will be delivered to classrooms within a few days for students returning to school for face to face instruction. We will offer curbside pickup for students who are staying home for virtual learning.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to visit the Media Center website for more details. We are excited to offer this service to our students. Happy reading!



Be a Buzzer Reader!

The Georgia Tech Women's Basketball team would like to invite your child to participate in their annual "Buzzer Readers" reading program. Buzzer Readers is an initiative to promote and encourage children to learn through reading. All elementary and middle school students from schools in Metro Atlanta are eligible to participate.

- Students have one month to read as many pages as they can from October 1-31st. Each child will record the number of pages read each day during the designated one month period.

You can download and print a copy of the reading on the Northwood website [homepage](#). In addition to books, newspapers will also count and each full page read will count as two book pages.

- Parents may read to their children; however, group reading in a classroom setting are not to be counted.
- The name of the book, along with author, is requested to provide information to the teacher as to the types of books the children are reading at home. Please ensure the books are geared to help the children learn and grow.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to be directed to the Northwood website for more details if you would like your child to be a part of the reading challenge. We hope many of our Explorers will participate in this exciting opportunity!



CAFETERIA NEWS & MENUS

FREE Breakfast and Lunch

Fulton County School Nutrition will continue to serve FREE meals to all children, regardless of school enrollment or meal eligibility status. Students attending school face-to-face will receive FREE meals during their school's scheduled mealtimes.

Curbside & Bus Stop Locations will be utilized to distribute FREE grab & go meal kits throughout the district. For more information, visit www.nutrition.fultonschools.org

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On-Site Breakfast Menu ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

19

Sausage Biscuit
Assorted Cereals
100% Fruit Juice
Assorted Fresh Fruit

20

Mini Pancakes
Cereal Bar with Yogurt
100% Fruit Juice
Assorted Fresh Fruit

21

French Toast Sticks
Assorted Cereals
100% Fruit Juice
Assorted Fresh Fruit

22

Pancake & Sausage
on a Stick
Muffin with Yogurt
100% Fruit Juice
Assorted Fresh Fruit

23

Chicken Biscuit
Assorted Cereals
100% Fruit Juice
Assorted Fresh Fruit

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On-Site Lunch Menu ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

19

MorningStar Chik'n Nuggets
with Garlic Breadstick
Yogurt & Cheese Pack
Baby Carrots
French Fries
Assorted Fresh Fruit

20

Teriyaki Chicken with Brown Rice
Janwich Pack
Signature Side Salad
Steamed Broccoli
Assorted Fresh Fruit

21

Mini Corndogs
Cheese Pizza Pack
Baby Carrots
Green Beans
Assorted Fresh Fruit

22

Cheese Quesadilla
Turkey & Cheese Lunch Box Buddy
Signature Side Salad
Black Beans
Assorted Fresh Fruit

23

Cheese Pizza
Meat Lover's Pizza
Black Bean Taco Salad
Carrot, Cucumber & Cherry Tomato
Peas & Carrots
Assorted Fresh Fruit

We are happy to provide information about our cluster programs, but please note they are not sponsored by Northwood Elementary School.



The poster features a basketball at the top center. Below it, the text 'CENTENNIAL JR. KNIGHTS' is in a blue banner, followed by '2020-2021' in orange. The main title 'BASKETBALL TRYOUTS' is in large white letters, with 'BOYS & GIRLS 5TH-8TH GRADE' below it. A large blue banner says 'BE A KNIGHT!'. The background includes a silhouette of a knight in armor. The poster is divided into sections for required information, fees, location, schedule, and a scholarship.

CENTENNIAL JR. KNIGHTS
2020-2021
BASKETBALL TRYOUTS
BOYS & GIRLS 5TH-8TH GRADE
BE A KNIGHT!

Tryout for your chance to join the Jr. Knights basketball team!
Learn and train with experienced coaches, play highly competitive hoops and have lots of fun!

REQUIRED TO TRYOUT
GO TO www.centennialjrbasketball.com
\$15 registration fee. You **MUST** go online and register.

FEES
• \$485 Player fee (Includes uniform, practice jersey and shooting shirts)

TRYOUT LOCATION
SUWANEE SPORTS ACADEMY
3640 Burnette Rd, Suwanee, GA 30024

TRYOUT SCHEDULE

BOYS				
5th Grade	Sunday	10/18	5:00-6:30pm	
	Sunday	10/25	12:00-1:30pm	
6th Grade	Sunday	10/18	5:00-6:30pm	
	Sunday	10/25	12:00-1:30pm	
7th Grade	Sunday	10/18	6:30-8:00pm	
	Sunday	10/25	1:30-3:00pm	
8th Grade	Sunday	10/18	7:30-9:00pm	
	Sunday	10/25	3:00-4:30pm	

GIRLS

5th-8th Grade	Saturday	10/18	6:30-8:00pm	
	Sunday	10/25	1:30-3:00pm	

Jaime McHenry Scholarship Two Jr. Knights are selected as recipients of the Jaime McHenry Scholarship. This prestigious scholarship covers each player's fees in full. Interested applicants are required to submit a brief essay about what it means to play basketball for the Jr. Knights and why they are the best candidate to receive the scholarship.

ALL DAY. ALL KNIGHT.

****Practices for the 2020-21 season will be held at Suwanee Sports Academy****

Tryouts for the 2020-2021 season of Jr. Knights basketball are just under two weeks away! The teams will consist of boys and girls 5th-8th grade. The 2020-21 season will tip-off on November 21 and run through February 7.

To register or for more information visit, centennialjrbasketball.com.