

Shark Bytes

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Shark Tales:

Hands on Shakerag is TOMORROW!

Tomorrow, October 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., all Shakerag families and friends are invited to help us with planting, removing weeds, and spreading pine straw around the school. Bring gardening gloves, yard waste bags, and your water bottles. The more families we have available to help, the faster we can go in completing this amazing project! Please sign up at [Hands - On - Shakerag 2024](#). Thank you so much in advance for helping to make our campus beautiful. When you arrive, please sign in at the table at the entrance of the school.



Report Cards

Student 9-week progress reports were sent home today in your child's Friday folder. They are also available on the Parent and Student Portals. For instructions on how to access your child's Quarter 1 progress report, please click [here](#).

Donut Chew Spirit Nights

We want to thank our business partner, Donut Chew (11305 Bell Road, #103, Johns Creek, 30097) for their sponsorship with our school.

National School Bus Safety Week

National School Bus Safety Week is October 21-25 and Bus Driver Appreciation Day is celebrated on **Monday, October 21**. Please take some time to recognize your bus driver during this week. They work hard making sure every student arrives at school and gets home safely every day.

Picture Retakes – Wednesday, October 23

Fall pictures went home two weeks ago. Picture retakes will be **Wednesday, October 23**. If you were not happy with your child's fall picture, please send the original picture package and a note in with your child on Tuesday, October 22 so their teacher can have them get their picture retaken on Wednesday, October 23. If your child was absent on our original picture day, or if they are new, we would like your child to get their picture taken as well for the yearbook. Please note that only those that were absent, new, or sent in their picture package with a note will be sent to get their pictures retaken.

A Message from the PTO:

Yearbook

Reserve a yearbook today! Order your students yearbook using this link: [Order Yearbook](#)

The yearbook team is looking for pictures to be added to the 24-25 yearbook. Please upload any First Day of School, Kona Ice Social, Storybook Night, Community Night or Pictures with Sharky using this QR code.



SHAKERAG BINGO NIGHT IS NEXT WEEK (October 25)!

We encourage you to **purchase all your Bingo Night items in advance**, online, to ensure availability (bingo cards, raffle tickets, food, etc). *Online ticket sales will end Wednesday, October 23 at 11:59 PM.* After October 23rd, purchases can be made at the door *if tickets are not sold out for that session.* There will be 2 Sessions: 5:30-7:00 PM & 7:30-9:00 PM. The first session is very popular and typically sells out so buy tickets early! All children must be accompanied by an adult (this is not a drop-off event).

Please go to www.ShakeragPTO.org to purchase all your Bingo Night items.

THE SILENT AUCTION is now LIVE and will be **open for bidding until 9:00 PM on October 25th**. To begin bidding, please visit: new.biddingowl.com/shakeragpto or by scanning the QR Code.



Raffle Winners will be pulled after Session 2. You do not need to be present to win but **PLEASE put your NAME & PHONE NUMBER on the back of the Raffle Ticket** so we can contact you if you win.

BINGO NIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We Need **YOU** to Make Bingo Night a Success! There are many fun ways you can participate in Bingo Night as a volunteer - Tickets, Food Distribution, Set-up, Clean-up and more! Please Sign-up to volunteer at: [Bingo Night Volunteers](#)

If you have any questions, please contact the PTO's Fall Fundraising Coordinators: Krista Zimmerman (kzimmerman73@gmail.com) and Lisa McNary (lisamcnary@outlook.com).

BINGO NIGHT Sales & the Silent Auction are now LIVE!

Help the PTO continue to support Shakerag Elementary students, teachers and staff with your participation. Your participation is very important since this will be our only major fundraiser of the year!

There are **over \$14,000 worth of prizes** to win across Bingo Night, the Raffle & the Silent Auction including an Atlanta Falcons' Autographed Player Photo, Amazon gift cards, Atlanta Zoo & Aquarium Tickets, Shakerag Swim Registration, Chesstronics vouchers, Police Car Ride to School, Huntington Learning Center voucher, Lifetime Fitness vouchers, Atlanta Gladiators Hockey tickets, \$100 CASH, Principal for the Morning, 5th Grade Graduation Front Row Seats, Pizza & Ice Cream Parties with Teachers, Hoverboards, Icee Machine, Squishmallows, Fantastic Toys and more!

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed to help us secure these fantastic prizes!

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting

Our next School Governance Council meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 5 at 9:00 a.m.** This meeting will be a joint meeting at Shakerag with our feeder schools. To read more about our School Governance Council, we invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website by clicking [here](#).

FCS News:

Important District Reminder: Food on Campus

As we approach the upcoming holidays, Fulton County Schools would like for us to remind parents and families that candy, desserts, baked goods (store bought/homemade), or any other edible items **are not** to be sold or distributed at school or on the bus during school hours. Please discuss this expectation with your student(s). You can help us protect your student(s) by requesting that they not eat anything given to them by another person, anything that they have not brought from your home, or anything not in its original sealed package. Thank you for your continued partnership in keeping all of our students safe at school!

2024 FCS Annual Parent Perception Survey

At Fulton County Schools, we truly value the feedback from our parents about their experiences with the district. That is why I encourage all parents to take the [Annual Parent Perception Survey](#). This survey allows parents to tell us what they think about their student's schools and the district. While we always make it a priority to listen to our parents, this survey affords us another opportunity to receive your thoughts and opinions.

The survey is anonymous and confidential. Please complete one survey per school where you have one or more students enrolled. The survey will remain open from **Tuesday, October 16 through Friday, November 22**. Thank you in advance for making your voice heard!

The parent survey is currently available in English, Spanish, Korean, Portuguese, Chinese, Hindi, and Punjabi. If you or your family would like to take it in a language that is not listed, contact your school's principal with the requested language. **The parent FAQ is available in:**

[English](#)

[Spanish](#)

[Portuguese](#)

[Chinese](#)

[Hindi](#)

[Korean](#)

[Punjabi](#)



[Click here to access the parent survey](#) or scan the QR code with a smartphone.

Family Matters

November is National Family Engagement Month, and we are thrilled to invite you to **Family Matters**, a **hands-on learning celebration for all FCS families!**

Click the link for a quick recap of Family Matters last year. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvRqAbYy3zM>

This year's events will take place at two locations:

- **Mimosa Elementary:** [November 13, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM](#)
- **Gullatt Elementary:** [November 14, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM](#)

At Family Matters, you'll have the opportunity to engage in 20-30 exciting learning sessions, including:

- **Real-life Math:** Fun activities that connect math to everyday experiences
- **Real Time Cooking:** Have fun cooking together as a family with a bona fide Chef
- **Lots of Literacy:** Make reading come alive with interactive storytelling
- **Spoken Word & Music:** Celebrate the power of words and rhythms
- **Cultural Dance:** Explore and enjoy different cultural traditions through dance
- **Sensory Room:** A calming space to support all students' sensory needs
- **Free College Application Month Room:** On-site assistance to complete FREE college applications and FAFSA assistance
- **College Essay writing:** Learn how to write impressive college essays
- **Robotics and Coding:** Learn easy techniques to control robots and drones

Join us for an evening filled with **games, prizes, vendors, and FUN learning!** We'll provide dinner for every guest as we come together to honor the rich diversity and strength of **ALL Fulton County families**. Click [here](#) for additional information and the link to register.

In the Community:

Skelebration at Innovation Academy

FCS Innovation Academy invites your family and friends to a fun-filled Halloween-themed night for elementary aged kids and younger! They will have interactive family-friendly Halloween themed hallways, hands-on STEM activities, and trick or treating at over 100 tables for all the kids to enjoy! Please click [here](#) for more information.

Date: 10/24/24

Time: 5:30-7:30

FREE ENTRY...must be accompanied by an adult

Northview Jr. Titans Basketball Tryouts

The Northview Jr. Titans are thrilled to announce their Tryouts for the upcoming season! It's that time of year again when they come together to discover and develop the young talent that will represent their program with pride. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Ages: Boys: Grades 4th – 8th Girls: Grades 5th – 8th

Tryout Dates: October 6 and October 20

Pre-Registration is Required for Tryouts and there is a tryout fee of \$5 to cover gym costs.

Register by clicking [here](#)

Have a wonderful weekend!

