

Shark Bytes

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A Message from the PTO:

PTO BINGO NIGHT IS TONIGHT!

The Silent Auction ends **TONIGHT at 9 PM!** Go to : new.biddingowl.com/shakeragpto to get those winning bids in! All pre-purchased Bingo items will be available for pick-up at the door. Please locate the table outside to find your items. Bingo Packages will be organized by the last name of the student purchased under. Please help us move the line quickly & pick up your food quickly so we can get to playing BINGO and winning PRIZES!

If you did not purchase tickets & items in advance, we will be selling Bingo Packages at the door on a first come, first serve basis depending on capacity limitations. Typically, the 2nd session is less busy so that may be your best bet for entry. We will do our best to accommodate as many people as we can but please understand if we have to turn you away.

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. **WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE EVERYONE TONIGHT!!**



Shark Tales:

Hands on Shakerag

On behalf of Shakerag and the Shakerag PTO, we want to thank Yohmary Ortiz, Kathy Preuss, The Duvall Family, Pack 1000, and all of the amazing volunteers that came out to Hands on Shakerag on Saturday, October 19. Students from all grades, parents, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, former students, and the Shakerag staff collected trash, picked up branches, planted flowers, and spread bales of pine straw! A special thank you to Yohmary Ortiz for organizing the event. We appreciate our Shakerag families and our wonderful students for making Shakerag a beautiful place.

Red Ribbon Week (October 28-November 1)

Red Ribbon Week is an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign observed annually in October in the United States and is sponsored by our counseling department. At Shakerag, we communicate to our students the importance of making mindful and healthy choices in their lives, about respecting yourself, and respecting others. The National theme for this year is: **Life is a Movie, Film Drug Free**. We will be celebrating all week with a special theme each day.

- **Monday, 10/28: Wear Wild Socks to Sock it to Drugs** - Wear your wildest socks today!
- **Tuesday, 10/29: Your Future is BRIGHT** - Wear bright neon colors to show how bright our future is.
- **Wednesday, 10/30: Team Day** (wear your favorite team jersey or attire) - We are all wearing our favorite team jersey or attire because, at Shakerag, we are all part of a team. We are each responsible for making healthy choices for ourselves, but we can also provide encouragement and support to our teammates so that they, too, can make healthy choices. When we work together to make healthy choices, we show respect for ourselves AND others.
- **Thursday, 10/31: Dress as Your Favorite Movie Character**- The Red Ribbon theme this year is "Life is a Movie. Film Drug Free." Dress as your favorite movie character that is a positive role model. No masks, props or weapons or scary movie characters please. Please also remember to wear proper shoes to school.
- **Friday- Spirit Wear Day** (wear your Shakerag Spirit Wear) – You can talk about how Shakerag Sharks make healthy choices for our bodies. It is important that we not only make good choices about our actions and behavior; we must also make good choices about what we do for our bodies (e.g. healthy choices about diet, exercise, sleep and what we put in our bodies). We only have one body, so we need to take good care of it.


No Costumes at School on Thursday, October 31

Halloween is next Thursday; October 31 and we will also be wrapping up our Red Ribbon Week celebration by dressing up as our favorite positive movie characters. Please save all other costumes for the evening unless it is connected to our movie character theme for Red Ribbon Week. We hope that all of our students that celebrate have a fun and safe time with their friends and families.

Mark Your Calendars: Remote Learning Day on November 5

Tuesday, November 5 is a statewide election day and will be a Remote Learning Day for all students. Students will participate in asynchronous learning at home on this day. Teachers will be sending lessons and activities home with the students no later than **Monday, November 4**. Please look over your child's assignments and email your teacher(s) with any questions.

2024 FCS Technology Competition: Registration is Open!

- The 2024-2025 Fulton County Student Technology Competition (FCSTC) will be held in person on 1/11/2025 (Saturday) at Riverwood High School from 8AM to 4:30PM.
- All 3rd -12th grade Fulton County students are eligible to enter a student-created technology project that aligns with one of these **CATEGORIES**. Projects are to be designed and created by students.
- All information can be found on the [FCSTC website](#).
- The registration form can be found  [here](#) and is due to Mrs. Francis by Tuesday, November 12.
- Please reach out to Mrs. Francis with any questions. (Francisa@fultonschools.org)

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.

As communicated by the district, our students will also be taking the Annual Student Perception Survey the week of October 28 during the school day. If interested, please take a moment to review the [3-5 student survey](#).

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.

**We hope to see everyone at BINGO tonight!
Have a wonderful weekend!**

