



# THE LINK

@ NORTH SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

North Springs High School celebrates the 2023 Grand Opening of The Link, the latest S.A.F.E Center operating in Fulton County Schools. S.A.F.E. stands for Student And Family Engagement and is a consolidation of school services and community partnerships. All services are free, and are supported by federal, state, and local funds as well as grants and donations. Managed by two dedicated full-time staff, Coordinator Diahann Fulwider, Ed.S, and School Social Worker Maia Smith, MSW, **The Link** S.A.F.E Center provides wraparound services for students, parents, staff, and the community. It is located on the lower level of the E hall at North Springs High School and is designed to help eliminate academic, social, and emotional barriers that impede student success.

Partners Include:



Free services include but are not limited to:

- Groceries
- Clothing and Shoes
- Laundry Services
- Mental Health Services
- Mentoring and Tutoring Programs

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**THE LINK** operates under the tenets of the Community School model. A community school is both a place and a set of partnerships between the education system, the nonprofit sector, and local government agencies. While the specific programs and services vary, there are four key pillars of the community school approach:



#### INTERGRATED STUDENT SUPPORTS

Includes mental and physical health care, nutrition support, housing assistance, and other wrap-around services.



#### EXPANDED AND ENRICHED LEARNING TIME

Includes lengthening the school day and year, as well as enriching the curriculum through real-world learning opportunities.



#### ACTIVE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Includes both service provision and meaningful partnership with parents and family members to support children's learning.



#### COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP AND PRACTICES

Includes coordination of community school services as well as site-based leadership teams and teacher learning communities.