

Shark Bytes

Shakerag Elementary
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Shark Tales:

Shakerag Showcase

Thank you so much for joining us at our Shakerag Showcase Thursday night. Our staff and students have been working so hard throughout this year, and we are so proud of their work! We hope you enjoyed the evening and the experience.

Thank you, Dannie Niu!

Over the past year, our PTO has partnered with many local artists to bring a vibrant new mural to life in the school gym. We're thrilled to have collaborated with the incredibly talented local artists Dannie Niu to create a stunning centerpiece that reflects the spirit of our school community.

A heartfelt thank you to the 2024–2025 PTO Executive Board for their vision, support, and dedication throughout this project!

Treats for Teachers

Thank you, Agnes Law, Kathy Preuss, Archana Samala, and the fabulous PTO, for once again preparing a delicious lunch for our teachers and staff today! We greatly appreciate our PTO for taking such good care of us during this busy time of year!

GA Milestones

Our 3rd through 5th grade students will get to show what they know next week on the Georgia Milestones. For more information about the Georgia Milestones, visit our state testing website by clicking [here](#). We will be in "testing mode" throughout our building from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day during the testing window and will not be accepting volunteers during that time. The specials and lunch schedule will also be modified depending on the testing day.

Throughout the testing window, please make sure your child is present and arrives no later than 7:40 a.m. each day! We encourage all students to get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast each morning. Students **should not** bring any additional electronic devices (cell phones, smart watches, etc.) into the classroom as these items will be collected.

Thank you for your support and flexibility. If you have any questions, please contact our testing coordinator, Samantha Weaver, at weavers@fultonschools.org. Below you will find the Milestones testing schedule.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		April 30 ELA 1 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	May 1 ELA 2 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	May 2 ELA 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th
	May 6 Math 1 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	May 7 Math 2 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	May 8 Science 5 th	

School Lunch Hero Day!

We would like to acknowledge that **Friday, May 2 is School Lunch Hero Day!** Ms. Santana, Ms. Marez, Ms. Richardson and Ms. Sosa have a lot on their plate! They work so hard to make sure all of our children have a healthy breakfast and lunch. We are so lucky to have them!

Student Placement Support Request for the 2025-2026 School Year

If you feel your child has a specific need that we should be aware of when considering class placements for the 2025-2026 school year, please carefully read and review the Student Placement Support Request Form by [clicking here](#). If needed, please submit the form on or before **3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 5**. The form will no longer be available after **May 5**.

Kindergarten Round-Up

We will be hosting our Kindergarten Round-up on **Wednesday, May 7 at 5:00 p.m.** Please click [here](#) for more details. To register for the event, please use the following link. <https://forms.office.com/r/c3RUjUbUFdR> If you know a future SHARK, please pass this information on. Our current PreK students do not need to attend unless you would like to join us.

Lost and Found

Our lost and found closet has become quite full of coats, sweaters, water bottles and other outerwear. If your child is missing any of these items, please come and claim them by May 16. Everything left in the lost and found closet after May 16 will be donated at the end of the school year. Also, please remember to put your child's first and last name on everything!

Field Day is Coming Soon!

We are thrilled to announce the upcoming 2025 Field Day, a highlight of our school year! On May 16 (with a rain make-up day on May 19), our students will come together for a day filled with friendly competition and fun activities. Each class will be divided into a

red and blue team, with students wearing their team's color t-shirt on field day. If the students do not have the color, they can wear something similar. Points will be awarded to classes finishing 1st or 2nd, adding to the excitement and team spirit!

We are seeking volunteers to help at the various game stations. If you're interested, please sign up using the link below. In order to volunteer, you must complete the volunteer registration at least 48 hours prior to the event or you will not be able to participate. Please click [here](#) for more details on the volunteer registration process. Volunteers are asked to arrive at least 15-20 minutes before their designated start time. You are only allowed to volunteer at the station assigned. You may not follow your kid/kids around. Also, please arrive 20 minutes early for the briefing and station assignments.

Please visit the sign-up genius link for more information and to sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Smith at smithjm@fultonschools.org.

Grades PreK-2 (8:15-10:15): <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AFAD2CA4FEC61-56414719-field>

Grades 3-5 (11:45-1:45): <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AFAD2CA4FEC61-56414878-field>

If you volunteer and want to check your child out early, all check-outs must be complete by 2:00. You must come to the front desk first. Your child will not be dismissed until called down by the front office.

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

Attention 5th Grade Parents – Yard Sign Pick-Up:

If you ordered a YARD SIGN for your 5th grader, please make arrangements to pick it up at the table across from the front desk/ Please adhere to the following pickup dates and times as students are taking their Milestones tests during those weeks:

5/2 Friday: 12:00pm-1:30pm

5/5 Monday: 8:30am-1:30pm

We cannot send the yard signs home with the students as they contain sharp stakes which may pose a risk. Thank you for your understanding!

Join the PTO Team at Shakerag Elementary School – We Need You!

We're looking for passionate and dedicated volunteers to help make next school year a success! Our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) plays a vital role in supporting our students and teachers, and we need YOU to make it all happen. Whether you're interested in leading, organizing, or collaborating, there's a spot for you!

**Open Positions: **

- Co-President
- V.P. Communications
- V.P. Business Partners
- Recording Secretary
- Financial Secretary
- Artist Day Co-Chair
- Book Fair Co-Chair
- Social Media/Website Coordinator
- Membership Chair
- Fundraising Chair
- Fall BINGO & Baskets Co-Chair
- Room Parent Program Chair (2 positions)

Your time and talent can make a big difference! If you're ready to get involved, please reach out to shakeragpto@gmail.com today to help make next school year unforgettable. Let's work together to create a positive and exciting environment for our students!

Time is running out, Order Your Yearbook NOW!

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

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting

Our next School Governance Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 14 at 8:00 a.m.** To read more about our School Governance Council, we invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website by clicking [here](#).

A Message from our Business Partners:

Ivy Bridge Academy

IBA hopes your child has had a great semester in debate! As the semester draws to a close, they would love for you to consider enrolling your child in their summer camps. They offer debate as well as other academic camps at their 3 different Atlanta locations (Johns Creek, Cumming and Marietta). There are full day, 1/2 day and weekend camp options. Please click on the link for more information: <https://ivydebate.com/summer-camps/> and click [here](#) for the flyer.

In the Community:

Atlanta STEM Fest

Parents, register your K-12th graders today for the Atlanta STEM Fest presented by AABE and STEM Global Action on Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 9 AM - 12 PM at the C.T. Martin Natatorium & Recreation Center. This FREE event features 60+ hands-on STEM activities, allowing students to explore, create, and discover exciting careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math!

DATE: April 26, 2025

TIME: 9 AM - 12 PM

LOCATION: 3201 M.L. King Jr. Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30314

REGISTER TODAY: registration.stemnola.com

The Atlanta STEM Fest is sponsored by Chevron, Boston Consulting Group (BCG), Warner Williams, LLC, and JPMorgan Chase. It's a perfect opportunity to expose, engage, and inspire your child and help them discover the endless possibilities of STEM in a fun, interactive environment. Click [Here](#) for additional details.

Get Ready to Cheer Your Heart Out with the Northview Jr. Titans Cheer Program!

Is your child full of energy, love to perform, and ready to show off their Titan pride? The Northview Jr. Titans Cheer Program is back and bringing the spirit for an action-packed Fall 2025 season of sideline cheering — and we want YOU on our team! We're calling all rising 4th–8th grade students to join our cheer family! Whether you're brand new or a cheer veteran, this is your chance to build skills, make friends, and have a blast while cheering on the Jr. Titans!

Join us at one of our upcoming Cheer Interest Meetings to learn more:

- In Person: April 27 at 5:00 PM – *Shakerag Firehouse*
- Virtual: April 30 at 6:30 PM – *via Zoom*

👉 Be sure to fill out the [2025 Jr Titans Cheer Interest Form](#) to stay in the loop and receive virtual Interest Meeting info! Check out our [website](#) for more details, or email us anytime at jrtitanscheerjc@gmail.com.

🌟 Don't forget to follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for all the latest updates, sneak peeks, and cheer-tastic fun!

Let's make this season unforgettable — LET'S GO TITANS! ❤️ 📣

Taste of Alpharetta

It is with great pleasure that we announce the annual Taste of Alpharetta event, a long-time community tradition, which will take place **Thursday, May 8, from 5 -10 p.m.** Please click [here](#) for the most recent ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION. For event information, please visit www.tasteofalpharettaga.com.

Summer Opportunity available for students grades 3-5

Students are invited to a one-week, hands-on indoor camp at the Junior Achievement Discovery Center Summer Camp. This experience runs from 8:30am until 4:30pm on Monday, June 9 until Friday, June 13. Please click [here](#) for the flyer and registration information.

Have a great weekend!

