



BARNWELL ELEMENTARY

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A Note from the Principal, Takisha Benning May 1, 2025

New Information

This week kicked off Georgia Milestone testing for our third through fifth grade students. With their hard work and the support of our amazing teachers and staff, we are confident that this week will be filled with achievements and growth.

Yesterday, we rolled out the red carpet to celebrate and motivate our Barnwell Bears as they stepped into testing ready to shine like the stars they are. It was a wonderful moment to recognize the hard work and learning they've done all year long.

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who sent in motivation notes—your thoughtful messages provided a meaningful boost for our students. We're also incredibly grateful to the parents who came in to decorate our hallways with those notes, creating a joyful and uplifting environment for our test-takers.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we cheer on our students through this important milestone! Go Bears!

Georgia Milestones Testing

These assessments are essential in evaluating our students' academic progress this school year. To prepare, please ensure your students arrive on time and are well rested. **Testing will begin promptly each day at 8:00 AM.**

Please remind students not to bring any electronic devices to school during testing (i.e., cellphones, smartwatches); all devices will be collected and returned after testing each day should students have them.

If your student was absent for any portion of the Georgia Milestone testing this week, make-up sessions will be held throughout next week to ensure all students complete all required sections.

Milestone Assessment Testing Dates for 3rd through 5th Grades:

Content Area	Testing Date
ELA Section 1	April 30 th
ELA Section 2	May 1 st
ELA Section 3	May 2 nd
Math Section 1	May 6 th
Math Section 2	May 7 th
Science (5 th Grade Only)	May 8 th

[Georgia Milestone Student and Parent Testing Resources](#)

 [Georgia Milestones Parent Resources 24-25.pdf](#)

- [Parent Q & A](#)
- [Grade level student practice tests](#)
- [Score Interpretation Guide](#)
- [Grade level test blueprint](#)
- [Grade level study guide/overview](#)
- [Achievement Level Descriptors](#)

Experience Online Testing Georgia: <http://www.gaexperienceonline.com>

[Class of 2025 Graduating Seniors Barnwell Elementary Grad Walk](#)

Attention all graduating seniors! Barnwell Elementary School invites the esteemed Class of 2025 to commemorate your incredible journey by taking one final stroll through the halls where it all began.

We invite you to join us on **Wednesday May 14th at 1:45 PM** in the media center. To RSVP for this special event, please click the link to confirm your attendance: [RSVP Class 2025 by May 7th](#). If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Kristin Miglietta at miglietta@fultonschools.org.

[Important Traffic Notice for Tuesday, May 14, 2025](#)

Please be aware that on **Tuesday, May 14th**, we will be hosting our annual **Senior Walk** event. This special occasion may cause **increased traffic and limited parking** during the afternoon dismissal time.

We kindly ask that you plan accordingly and allow for extra time if you are picking up your student. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we celebrate this memorable tradition with our graduating seniors. Thank you for your continued support!

[Clinic News](#)

As we approach the end of the school year, we kindly ask that all student medications (**prescription and over the counter**) and clinic supplies be picked up by 2:00 PM Thursday, May 22nd. You may begin picking up medication on Monday, May 19th unless your student needs emergency medication through the end of the school year. In accordance with school policy, **any medication not picked up by this date will be discarded**, as we are unable to store medications over the summer.

If your child requires medication for the upcoming school year, please ensure the **Medication Authorization Form** is completed and returned to the school clinic at the start of the year in August.

Please note:

- **All prescription medications require a physician's signature** on the authorization form.
- **Medications must be provided in the original labeled container with a valid expiration date.**

We appreciate your attention to this important matter and thank you for helping us maintain a safe and healthy environment for all students.

Parent Online Verification

Demographic Information Update - Action Required

Beginning April 15, 2025, all FCS families will be requested to verify and update their demographic information in Infinite Campus. This includes confirming or updating emergency contact details. **PLEASE NOTE: The emergency contact must be someone other than the parent/guardian, as we must have an alternate contact in the event of an emergency.** Thank you for your assistance in keeping this information accurate for the safety of students.

Student Intent to Return for the 2025-2026 School Year

As part of the same verification process, you will also be asked to indicate your intent for each of your students to return to Fulton County Schools for the 2025–2026 school year. Please take a moment to complete this section during the verification process.

Optional Student Device Protection Plan for FCS-Issued Student Devices

New legal requirements will significantly limit the use of personal devices (BYOD) in schools. As a result, Fulton County Schools will rely more heavily on district-issued devices to ensure all students have access to the technology they need for learning.

To help families prepare, the district is offering an optional Student Device Protection Plan for FCS-issued student devices. This plan provides an affordable way to protect against unexpected costs due to accidental damage, loss, or theft.

Benefits of the device protection plan include:

1. Protection from the cost of accidental damage
2. Peace of mind in case of loss or theft
3. Continued access to technology without interruption

You may sign up and pay for the Optional Student Device Protection Plan during the Online Verification process. For more information about the Student One-to-One Device Program and protection plan details, please visit <https://information-technology/it>.

Barnwell's Beach Bash Field Day will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025!

To volunteer for the **Pre-K-2nd Grade Beach Bash Field Day**, sign up here: [PreK-2nd Grade Field Day Volunteer Sign Up](#)

To volunteer for the **3rd-5th Grade Beach Bash Day**, sign up here: [3rd-5th Grade Field Day Volunteer Sign Up](#)

All volunteers must have completed the volunteer protocol at least two days prior to the event. If you have not done so, please click [here](#) to complete this task prior to May 20th.

Dates to Remember

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Mismatch Day	5/5	School Day	Barnwell
Neon Day	5/6	School Day	Barnwell
SGC Meeting	5/6	3:00 PM-4:00 PM	Adm Conf Rm
One Color Day	5/7	School Day	Barnwell
Polka Dot Day	5/8	School Day	Barnwell
All Pro Dad's Breakfast	5/9	6:45 AM-7:30 AM	Cafeteria
Barnival (Spring Carnival)	5/9	5:30 PM-8:30 PM	Backfield
Rainbow Day	5/12	School Day	Barnwell
Sunglasses/Stripes Day	5/13	School Day	Barnwell
Twin/Triplet Day	5/14	School Day	Barnwell
Senior Walk	5/14	1:45 PM-2:15 PM	Barnwell
Student of the Month Celebration	5/14	7:00 AM-7:30 AM	Cafeteria
University Day-College Colors	5/15	School Day	Barnwell
Video Game Dress Up Day	5/16	School Day	Barnwell
Wild West Day	5/19	School Day	Barnwell
Field Day	5/20	School Day	Backfield
5 th Grade Celebration Parade	5/22	8:15 AM	Backfield

PTO Information

BARNIVAL 2025—Friday May 9th, 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Only 1 more week to Barnival and we need you!?! This year we are onboard for the BEAR WORLD TOUR!

EVENT & KID RAFFLE TICKETS

Monday May 5th, our Bears will have the opportunity to enter tickets in our lunchtime **Kids Raffle**. Save the hassle of sending in cash and [purchase those raffle tickets in advance](#) by clicking the link! Our prizes are always a hit ranging from a hot list of toys and games to experiences with Barnwell Staff and even \$100 CASH. Our Raffle will run the full week of May 5th – May 9th and winners will be announced at Barnival. Knock this off your list!

Please **support these activities by donating items or experiences** to either the Kids Raffle or this year's Silent Auction! Do not hesitate to reach out if you have any items or experiences that you would like to include!

EARLY BIRD TICKETS are also on sale now! Purchasing event tickets in advance saves you 25%!!! The event is free to attend. Rides, games, food, and refreshments can be purchased with tickets. We recommend starting with 20 tickets per kiddo. This is sure to cover food, treats and a few rides.

EVENT VOLUNTEERS

Barnival is Barnwell PTO's annual Spring Carnival to celebrate a successful year and to bring our community together. Help us make this the best party around by signing up to support our

activities. Volunteer shifts are split up to ensure everyone can join in this fun experience with their families. Take a look and let us know how **YOU CAN HELP**. [Barnival 2025 Adult Volunteer Sign Up](#)

[2025 BARNIVAL STORE](#): Your one stop shop for the Bear World Tour

- Exclusive T-shirts
- 25% off Early Bird Ticket Pricing
- Kids Raffle Tickets

To ask a question or get involved, please reach out to our event leads Megan Gann and Lauren Kermani.

Recurring School and Community News

[Registration for Kindergarten and New Students – 2025-2026](#)

Online Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. Parents should use the online enrollment application process to register. Please click [here](#) for the English 2025-2026 **Kindergarten/New Student** registration information. Click [here](#) for Spanish registration information.

Students currently enrolled in a Fulton County Schools Pre-K Program will automatically be enrolled in their home school. Please visit the following link to enroll any new K-5 student: <https://www.fultonschools.org/enrollment>.

Upon completion of your registration application, please email your application number to Basile@fultonschools.org. If you do not have access to online registration, contact Basile@fultonschools.org to make an appointment for registration.

[Student Pickup/Building Entry](#)

A driver's license or government issued ID is required for all student checkouts and any entry into the building. Please have your ID available to present to the camera when you ring the bell for building entry.

[Volunteer Protocol](#)

All Mystery Readers and School Volunteers are required to complete the Volunteer Protocol before coming to school. To initiate the process, please complete the child abuse reporting training and the online registration by clicking [here](#). Use your legal name as it appears on your government identification during registration. The training is self-paced, and your government ID will be required upon your arrival at school.

After completing the training and registration, kindly email Susan Agerton at Agertons@fultonschools.org with your legal name to ensure your application is approved before your visit.

[Centennial High Summer Baseball Camp](#)

The Centennial High School baseball players are excited to host a summer baseball camp for all Rising 2nd through 8th grade students. Registration is now open! The camp will take place June 2nd through June 4th.

[Sports Camp for Girls in 2nd the 5th Grade](#)

Johns Creek HS athletic coaches have rallied together to offer a Sports Camp for Girls in the 2nd-5th grade this summer! They want young girls to try something new and fun and what a better way than offering 4 sports for them to learn. Please click [here](#) for more information.

[Jr. Gladiator Football Camp](#)

JCHS is offering a Jr. Gladiator Football Camp for all 1st – 8th graders. Please click [here](#) for more information.

[Traffic, Bus Lane, and Carpool Safety](#)

As you navigate the area around the school, we kindly request that you exercise extra caution. If you are walking your child to school, please cross at the designated crosswalk with the assistance of the JCPD traffic officer. For those dropping students in the carpool lanes (front or side), please be extra vigilant and follow the instructions provided by our staff at those locations. Also, please be mindful of students and parents who may be walking in the parking lot or crossing the crosswalk. Let's keep everyone safe!

[Changes In Transportation](#)

Any changes in dismissal transportation must be submitted to the student's teacher using our [dismissal change form](#) which is available on our school website. If there is a last-minute change in dismissal, please call the front office. Students are only allowed to ride the bus assigned to their home address.

[Administrative Team](#)

Throughout the year, I encourage you to reach out to your child's teacher with any classroom questions or to our Administrative Team with any school-wide questions:

- Renee Morris Diggelmann, Assistant Principal – Diggelmannr@fultonschools.org
- Alysia Muse, Curriculum Support Teacher - Musea@fultonschools.org
- Chelsea Garcia, School Counselor – GarciaC2@fultonschools.org
- Eden Griffin, Instructional Support Teacher – GriffinE1@fultonschools.org
- Takisha Benning, Principal – Benning@fultonschools.org

[Quick Links](#)

[Attendance Options](#)

[Bus Stop Information](#)

[Here Comes the Bus Info](#)

[Dismissal Change Form](#)

[Birthday Celebration Form](#)

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Principal