

Shakerag Elementary

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Shark Tales:

Georgia Milestones

Thank you to our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students and teachers for a very successful and smooth Georgia Milestones testing experience! We are so proud of your hard work over the course of the past two weeks! Data from the Georgia Milestones assessment will be incredibly beneficial and will guide instructional planning for our students.

The state will post results in the Georgia SLDS platform which can be found within the Infinite Campus student/parent portal once they are available. (That typically occurs in July.)

Thank you for all your support during Georgia Milestones this spring!

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!

Thank You Northview National Honor Society!

Northview High School's National Honor Society held a book drive to collect children's books to donate to students at Shakerag. Thanks to their generous efforts, every kindergarten student will be able to select a book to bring home to keep. We're so thankful for such a fun way to encourage summer reading for these students.

Media Center

We have had a great year in the Media Center! Now it's time to finish up those books and return them to the library so we can get ready for next year. Please ensure that your child has returned all of their books to the media center by **Tuesday**, **May 13**. Please contact our Media Specialist, Mrs. Francis, with questions at <u>francisa@fultonschools.org</u>.

Field Day is on Friday, May 16!

Our annual Field Day is rapidly approaching on Friday, May 16 (Rain date – Monday, May 19). We are looking forward to a funfilled day of outdoor activities and friendly competition. To ensure your child has the best possible experience, please send them to school in the appropriate attire and with the necessary accessories. With proper preparation, Field Day will be a memorable highlight for the school year. If you have any questions or if your child has specific needs, please reach out to Coach Smith at <u>smithim@fultonschools.org</u>.

Ensure your student wears/has the following:

- Wear comfortable attire such as shorts (fingertip in length when standing), jogging pants, and/or leggings with your red or blue team shirt
- Wear socks and older tennis shoes that you don't mind getting dirty or wet
- Bring: Sunscreen, water bottle, sunglasses, towel, and hat (It is the responsibility of each student to keep up with their own items.)
- Bring an extra change of clothes for after field day in case wet from the water stations

Don't do the following:

- Wear shorts that are too short, anything white, dresses, skirts, swimsuits, jeans, jackets, flip-flops, sandals, boots, Crocs, or other items that you don't want to get messed up.
- Don't forget your water bottle!!!

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!

A special THANK YOU to our Business Partners:

<u>Mathnasium</u>

We would like to thank Mathnasium for providing the fruit and juice for our Volunteer Breakfast. We had a great turnout of volunteers and are so grateful for all they do! Thanks, Mathnasium, for supporting our school with making breakfast so sweet!

Aylo Health

We want to thank Aylo Health for recognizing our teachers and staff during Teacher Appreciation Week. The healthy treats were a great way to start our week and staff meeting!

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

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 -
- Financial Secretary
- V.P. Communications - Artist Day Co-Chair - Book Fair Co-Ch
- V.P. Business Partners Recording Secretary - Book Fair Co-Chair - Social Media/Website Coordinator
 - Book Fair Co-Chair Social Media/Website Coor - Fall BINGO & Baskets Co-Chair
- Membership Chair
 Fundraising 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 <u>shakeragpto@gmail.com</u> today to help make next school year unforgettable. Let's work together to create a positive and exciting environment for our students!

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 <u>here</u>.

FCS News:

Transportation: Safety Request

With the last day of school quickly approaching, the transportation department would like to ask all members of our community for their support...

The last day of school celebrations always brings the question of afternoon drop-off locations. Keeping safety for all students in mind, they will run all afternoon routes and bus stops as scheduled all year. There will not be any approvals for alternative bus stop locations, such as the pool, clubhouse, or other locations. This also includes students getting dropped off with friends. All students will only be dropped off at their assigned stops on their assigned bus.

In addition, they highly discourage any type of water balloons, water hoses, etc. from "rushing" at the bus as students disembark. This really causes a concern for the students and bus drivers' safety as they do their jobs as well as getting their bus driver compartment/equipment wet.

As always, we appreciate your support all year and thank you in advance for helping us keep our kids safe!

FCS Virtual Creativity Days

This summer, join us for FCS Virtual Creativity Days, an exciting opportunity for students to unleash their creativity! Hosted by the Instructional Technology department, these fun and engaging events will guide students as they explore graphic design, video creation, and web design.

- Rising 3rd–6th graders will dive into Adobe Express.
- Rising 7th–12th graders will harness the power of Canva for Education.

Each Creativity Day features three unique sessions built around a daily theme. Students can join one, two, or all three sessions each day – it's completely up to them!

Key Details:

- Sessions will take place on Microsoft Teams.
- Meeting links will be sent to participants' guardians and added to the students' Fulton Microsoft Teams calendars the day before the event.

Space is limited! Be sure to register early to secure your spot. For more information and to register, click <u>here</u>. Don't miss out on this chance to get creative this summer!



