

Knightly News

Friday, May 16, 2025

**Every Student, Every Day, Deserves to Learn,
Lead, & Excel!**

Message From Ms. Perkins ~ Simonton ES Principal



It is hard to believe we only have three days left in our school year. The time has flown by so quickly. I marvel at how our students have grown, matured, and flourished this school year. Thank you for allowing us to be part of this amazing journey with them.

If you have a rising Kindergarten student who will be attending Kindergarten at Simonton ES this fall, please consider registering them for Kindergarten Camp. It will take place **June 9, 2025**, through **June 20, 2025**, from **8:00 am - 2:00 pm**. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Students must be 5 by **September 1, 2025**, and registration for kindergarten must be complete.

Please get in touch with the front office at **770-513-6637** for more information.

Mark your calendars for **July 30, 2025**. The open house for the new school year will take place on that day. You will have an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and finalize student transportation.

Thank you for a wonderful school year. Be safe, and we can't wait to welcome all students back for the first day of school on **Monday, August 4, 2025**.



End of Year Celebrations

Thursday, May 15, 2025

Second Grade ~ 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Friday, May 16, 2025

First Grade ~ 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Fifth Grade/Van Dyke ~ 1:00- 2:00 pm

Third Grade ~ 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Mrs. Benguejjou ~ 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Monday, May 19, 2025

Kindergarten ~ 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Fourth Grade ~ 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Mrs. Murray ~ 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Ms. Bailey ~ 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Illustrating America Fine Arts Contest

Congratulations to the Simonton ES students recognized on **Wednesday, May 14, 2025** for their participation in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Illustrating America fine arts contest. Six of our students earned the 1st , 2nd and 3rd place awards for K-2 and 3-5. Two student entries moved on to the state competition.



Cafeteria Visitors

The cafeteria will reopen on **Monday, May 19, 2025**, for parents to have lunch with their students.

Cafeteria Charge Reminder

The last day for students to charge in the cafeteria is **Wednesday, April 30th**. Students will be charged an alternate meal, but the money is still owed to the accounts. **Payment is due by May 21st before 12pm.**



Upcoming Events At Simonton

Monday, May 19

- End of Year Class Celebrations (Kindergarten, 4th Grade, Ms. Baily, & Ms. Murray)

Tuesday, May 20

- 5th Grade Walk ~ 2:00 pm

Wednesday, May 21

- Last Day of School (Please bring bookbags)

Happy LAST DAY of SCHOOL

Spotlight Knights





PRE-K FIELD DAY

MAY 13, 2025



2ND GRADE FOCUS CLASS SAFARI



May 13, 2025

5th Grade Celebration ~ May 9, 2025

Ceremony Recording



Master of Ceremony



Student Council Speaker



Ms. Battle's Class



Ms. Colclough's Class



Ms. McCree's Class



Mr. Van Dyke's Class



Ms. Vlaic's Class



**Presidential Award of Excellence
Honorees**



**Presidential Award of Achievement
Honorees**



Simonton Cup Recipient

1st Grade Ceremony ~ May 15, 2025

Ceremony Recording



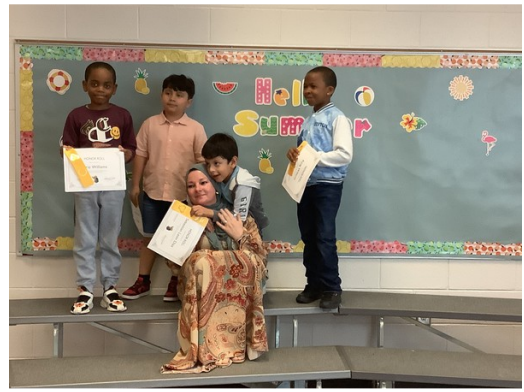
Ms. Enciso's Class



Ms. Henderson's Class



Ms. Murray's Class



Ms. Benguejjou's Class



Ms. Fears' Class



Ms. Mattingly's Class



Ms. Monroe's Class

4th Grade Ceremony ~ May 15, 2025



Ms. Bryant's Class



Ms. Carves' Class



Ms. Davis' Class



Mr. Van Dyke's Class



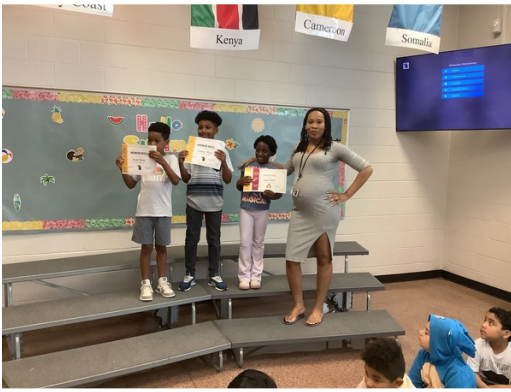
Ms. Shakir's Class



Ms. Wactor's Class

3rd Grade Ceremony ~ May 16, 2025

Ceremony Recording



Ms. Bailey's Class



Ms. Hussey's Class



Ms. James' Class



Ms. Joseph-Maloney's Class



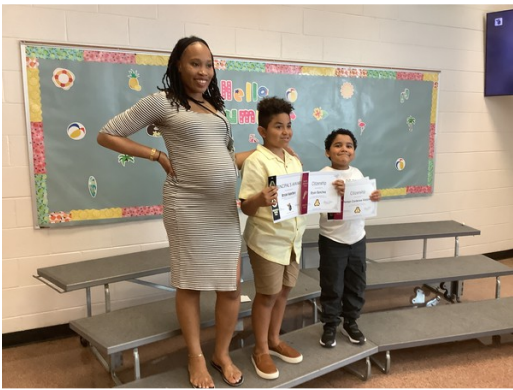
Ms. Lewis-Bonner's Class



Ms. Singh's Class

2nd Grade Ceremony ~ May 16, 2025

Ceremony Recording



Ms. Bailey's Class



Ms. Benguejjou's Class



Ms. Adam's Class



Ms. Lubin's Class



Ms. Rice's Class



Ms. L. Wilson's Class



Ms. N. Wilson's Class

Georgia Special Needs Scholarships: SB10 and SB47

What: Under state laws passed by the Georgia State Legislature, parents of students who receive special education services or accommodations under a Section 504 Individual Accommodation Plan may request to transfer their child to another public or private school in Georgia.

Who: Any student who currently receives special education services, grades PK-11th and any returning 12th grader, as well as students who are eligible for a Section 504 Plan and are in grades Kindergarten-11th.



A special congratulations goes to Ayliin Villegas Romero who won a bike for having perfect attendance for the 2nd semester. Not only was she present every day, but she also had no tardies or check-outs. Awesome job Ayliin!



CURRENTLY
ON SALE

2024-2025 SIMONTON YEARBOOK

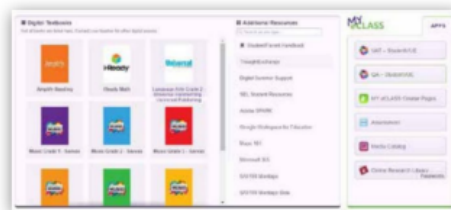
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MyPaymentsPlus

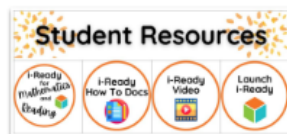
Simonton yearbooks are now on sale! This is a great way to remember all of the fun times and friends from this school year. You can purchase a yearbook for \$25 on MyPaymentsPlus or have your child bring their money to Mrs. Andrews in the media center.

DIGITAL SUMMER SUPPORT

Students can keep their skills sharp this summer with self-paced, digital support opportunities! Digital summer support will be available to K-8 students from June 2nd to July 2nd on the Digital Summer Support eCLASS page.



On the [Student Portal](#), go to [Additional Resources](#) to find a link for Digital Summer Support.



Once on the Digital Summer Support eCLASS page, students and families will find information on the digital platform available to support learning over the summer.

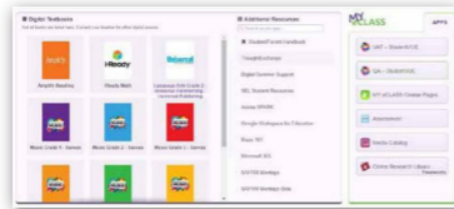
Students will be able to launch their learning, using i-Ready to support mathematics and reading.

This digital tool is a great way to keep students connected and learning at their own pace during the summer!



DIGITAL SUMMER SUPPORT

¡Los estudiantes pueden mantener sus habilidades afiladas este verano con oportunidades de apoyo digital a su propio ritmo! El apoyo digital de verano estará disponible para los estudiantes de K-8 desde el 2 de junio hasta el 2 de julio en la página de Digital Summer Support eCLASS.



En el [Portal del Estudiante](#), dirígete a Recursos Adicionales para encontrar un enlace al Apoyo Digital de Verano.



Una vez en la página de Digital Summer Support eCLASS, los estudiantes y familias encontrarán información sobre la plataforma digital disponible para apoyar el aprendizaje durante el verano.



Los estudiantes podrán iniciar su aprendizaje, utilizando i-Ready para apoyar matemáticas y lectura.

¡Esta herramienta digital es una excelente manera de mantener a los estudiantes conectados y aprendiendo a su propio ritmo durante el verano!



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Abril 2025

Student Dress Code

Student dress should not cause any distraction from the instructional program. Students are encouraged to dress appropriately for the school setting, suitable to weather conditions, and in good taste. Short skirts, short shorts, ripped jeans showing skin or halter tops/crop shirts are not considered appropriate dress for school. Hats, bandanas, and sweatbands should not be worn in school. Students should not wear any clothing that advertises alcoholic beverages, drugs, or violence. Students should wear shoes that allow for safe play at outside time and PE class. All shorts/skirts should come to the student's knee.

Parents will be contacted to bring a change of clothes if your student wears inappropriate clothes to school.



**Lawrenceville Youth Association's walk up registration
next Saturday @ Central**

A promotional poster for the Lawrenceville Youth Association football sign-up. The top half features a photograph of a youth football team in white jerseys with yellow numbers and yellow pants, running on a green field. A yellow oval in the top left corner contains the text 'LYAfootball.com'. Below the photo, a yellow banner reads 'Lawrenceville Youth Association'. The main title 'FOOTBALL SIGN UP' is in large white and yellow letters on a black background. Below this, a yellow banner says 'WALK UP REGISTRATION', followed by a black box with 'May 17, 2025' in white. A QR code is on the left. On the right, a yellow-bordered box lists details: Location: Central Gwinnett H.S., Time: 10am - 2pm, Football Ages: 6-year-old - 8th Grade, Cheer Grades: Kindergarten - 8th Grade, and Season Dates: July - November. A bottom box titled 'Questions' provides email contacts for football and cheer.

LYAfootball.com

Lawrenceville Youth Association

FOOTBALL SIGN UP

WALK UP REGISTRATION

May 17, 2025



Location: Central Gwinnett H.S.
Time: 10am - 2pm
Football Ages: 6-year-old - 8th Grade
Cheer Grades: Kindergarten - 8th Grade
Season Dates: July - November

Questions
Football: footballdirector@lyafootball.com
Cheer: cheerdirector@lyafootball.com

Tabernacle Baptist Church of Lawrenceville Student events

The Tabernacle Baptist Church of Lawrenceville's Community Day is on June 7th 11am-3pm. They will also have a kid's VBS camp on June 9th-June 13th from 6pm to 8pm. This is at **1046 Hiram Davis Road in Lawrenceville.**

Everything is FREE for the families and kids. At the Community Day, we will have a petting zoo and horses as well as yard games, arts and crafts and even free food!

Everyone is
Welcome!

COMMUNITY DAY

June 7th, 2025
11AM – 3PM



**TABERNACLE
BAPTIST CHURCH
OF LAWRENCEVILLE**

**YARD
GAMES**
FACE PAINTING

Free Food & Drinks
Arts & Crafts!
Games and Fun!

JUNE 7th, 2025

Petting Zoo! For the
Kiddies!

1046 Hiram Davis
Rd, Lawrenceville

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 9-13th, 2025

6PM – 8PM each night

1046 Hiram Davis Rd. Lawrenceville

Adult Classes Also!!

Tabernacle Baptist Church
of Lawrenceville



Free Food & Drinks! Prizes given!
Everyone Welcome!

Camp Invention

Hello Simonton ES families!

We are excited to host Camp Invention **June 23, 2025 – June 26, 2025**, here at Simonton Elementary School. A special thank you goes out to the Nordson Foundation and Ms. Perkins who has made a generous donation that will allow us to offer scholarships for Simonton ES students who attend Camp Invention. 22 scholarships will be awarded to the first 22 students who sign up using the google link below. The scholarship award will be \$240.00. Parents will be responsible for paying the remaining \$50.00. Scholarship funds are for currently enrolled Simonton ES students only.



¡Hola familias de Simonton ES!

Estamos emocionados de ser anfitriones de Camp Invention de Junio 23, 2025 a Junio 26, 2025, aquí en la primaria Simonton.

Un agradecimiento especial a la Fundación Nordson y a Ms. Perkins, quien ha hecho una generosa donación que nos permitirá ofrecer becas para los estudiantes de Simonton ES que asistan a Camp Invention. Se otorgarán 22 becas a los primeros 22 estudiantes que se inscriban utilizando el enlace de Google a continuación. La beca será de \$240.00. Los padres serán responsables de pagar los \$50.00 restantes. Los fondos de la beca son solo para estudiantes matriculados actualmente en la Primaria Simonton.

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GWINNETT COUNTY
PUBLIC LIBRARY



NO COST EYE EXAMS AND PRESCRIPTION GLASSES (IF NEEDED)



**MAY, JUNE & JULY
SPOTS AVAILABLE
FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED**

Gwinnett County Public Library will be hosting Vision To Learn this Summer!

In Coordination with Vision To Learn, Gwinnett County Public Library will be offering vision screenings, eye exams, and, if necessary, glasses for children. Quality vision care is an important component of education; students who cannot see often struggle to learn to read, see the board, and succeed academically. **The eye exams and eyeglasses are available free of charge to all students who need them at no out-of-pocket cost to parents or children.**



Registration

No walk-ins will be accepted!

Exam appointments are on a first-come-first-served basis. Your appointment is not confirmed until you receive a confirmation from Vision To Learn.

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****Click on the button below & look for the "Register Here" link.**

Vision to Learn



SUMMER DAY CAMP

J.M. TULL-GWINNETT FAMILY YMCA
2985 Sugarloaf Pwky
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

May 27th – August 1st

We are committed to making summer
day camp accessible for all!

Free & Reduced Lunch Rate!

Only \$100 per week for each qualifying
child.

**Spaces are limited—register now to
secure your spot!**

For more information, Contact Ashley Baker | ashleyb@ymcaatlanta.org

2025 Camp Dates & Rates

	Age	Facility Member Price	Program Member Price	May 27 - 30	June 2 - 6	June 9 - 13	June 16 - 20	June 23 - 27	June 30 - July 4	July 7 - 11	July 14 - 18	July 21 - 25	July 28 - Aug 1
4-DAY WEEK: NO CAMP ON JULY 4 th													
Traditional Day Camp													
Explorers	5	\$205	\$257	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Adventurers	6/7	\$205	\$257	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Voyagers	8/9	\$205	\$257	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Pathfinders	10/11	\$205	\$257	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Navigators	12/14	\$250	\$312	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
LIT	14/16	\$110	\$150	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Specialty Camp													
STEM	7/12	\$250	\$312		x				x				
Art	7/12	\$250	\$312			x				x			
Cooking	7/12	\$250	\$312				x				x		
Gardening & Agriculture	9/14	\$250	\$312					x					
Dance	7/12	\$250	\$312									x	
Sports Camp													
Swim	7/12	\$250	\$312		x					x			
Soccer	7/12	\$250	\$312				x						
Basketball	7/12	\$250	\$312								x		

Questions?

Contact: Ashley Baker at AshleyB@ymcaatlanta.org.
Register in person at the Y or online at ymcaatlanta.org/summer-camp.
Financial Assistance and CAPS is accepted.
Visit ymcaatlanta.org/financial-assistance to apply by April 15, 2025.

If you would like to donate to help send a child to camp, visit ymcaatlanta.org/give.



J.M. TULL-GWINNETT FAMILY YMCA

Welcome to camp! Our camps are designed to make summer fun, exciting, and safe while focusing on the Y's values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

2025 CAMP DESCRIPTIONS

Early Drop-off: 7:00am • Camp Hours: 9:00am - 4:30pm • Pick-up: By 6:30pm

TRADITIONAL CAMP

Traditional Day Camp with a weekly theme, swimming, crafts, cooking, STEM, team building, and more.

TRADITIONAL CAMP - NAVIGATORS

Our Navigators Camp combines traditional, leadership, and travel camps. This camp will include three field trips or special events each week.

TRADITIONAL CAMP - LIT (LEADERS IN TRAINING)

Leaders in Training participate in their own camp activities as well as help with camp wide activities. Must have completed LIT classes.

SPECIALTY CAMP - STEM

Campers will spend the mornings in traditional camp activities and the afternoons with hands on STEM activities.

SPECIALTY CAMP - ART

Campers will spend the mornings in traditional camp activities and the afternoons learning about and creating art of different styles and materials.

SPECIALTY CAMP - COOKING

Campers will spend the mornings in traditional camp activities and the afternoons learning about kitchen safety, healthy food choices, cooking, and eating.

SPECIALTY CAMP - GARDENING & AGRICULTURE

Campers will spend the mornings in traditional camp activities and the afternoons in the community garden learning about gardening and agriculture.

SPECIALTY CAMP - DANCE

Campers will spend the mornings in traditional camp activities and the afternoons learning and participating in various dance styles. Campers will have a brief showcase in Friday's closing ceremonies.

SPORTS CAMP - SWIM

Swim Sports Camp is an introduction to Competitive Swimming, Water Polo, Snorkeling, Diving, and Synchronized Swimming. Requirements for registration all campers must pass our swim test prior to registering; proof of this swim test card will need to be provided upon registration. The components of the swim test are swimmers will jump in water over their head, tread water for one minute, float on their back, and swim from the deep end to the shallow end of the pool without stopping. No doggy paddle allowed.

SPORTS CAMP - SOCCER

Develop your soccer game by working on dribbling, passing, trapping, shooting, and footwork skills, as well as concepts of offense, defense, cooperation, and teamwork.

SPORTS CAMP - BASKETBALL

Develop your basketball game by working on dribbling, passing, and shooting skills, as well as concepts of offense, defense, cooperation, and teamwork.

Need to Update your Information on ParentVUE?

Click on the following icons for help:



LOGGING INTO
PARENTVUE



UPDATE PHONE
NUMBERS



EMERGENCY
CONTACTS

We Want to Hear From You!

Your feedback is important to us. Please share the great things you appreciate about Simonton Elementary School and how we can continue to support our students and families. Thank you for your continued support!

Su opinión es importante para nosotros. Por favor comparta las geniales cosas que aprecia de la Primaria Simonton y cómo podemos continuar apoyando a nuestros estudiantes y familias. ¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo!

<https://forms.gle/SumKvZoU2Xuey79a8>



Kindergarten Registration

Online Registration for new kindergartners opened March 24, 2025.



Who: Parents or guardians of rising kindergartners— children who will be five years old on or before September 1, 2025.

What: Register your child for the 2025-26 school year in an easy, two-step process.

When: Online Registration begins March 24, 2025.

Why: Completing online registration will help us be ready to welcome your kindergartner and make sure your child is eligible for summer enrichment activities.

How: Much of the registration process, including the uploading of documents needed for registration, will be completed online. Most document attachments (PDF, JPG, DOC, PNG, etc.) are compatible. The file-size limit is 2 MB.

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2025 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Must be 5 by September 1, 2025

Go to the Simonton ES Website for more information

<https://www.gcpsk12.org/SimontonES>
770-513-6637

Registration Opens Monday, March 24th, 2025

STEP 1: Set up a ParentVUE Account OR Access your existing ParentVUE Account.

STEP 2: Complete online registration and upload all required documents. Contact Ms. Karen Serna, our school Registrar if you need assistance.

STEP 3: A Simonton ES staff member will contact you to schedule an appointment for your student to complete the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment.

No internet access? Trouble uploading documents?
Call the Simonton ES Front Office
770-513-6637



The first 100 students to have all registration paperwork completed will receive a Simonton ES Welcome to Kindergarten packet.



Join us for Transition to Kindergarten Night!

Thursday, May 1st at 5:30 PM

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REGISTRO DE KINDERGARTEN 2025



Debe tener 5 años antes de Septiembre 1, 2025

Visite el sitio web de Simonton ES para obtener más información

<https://www.gcpsk12.org/SimontonES>

770-513-6637

Inscripciones Abren Lunes Marzo 24, 2025.

PASO 1: Configure una Cuenta en ParentVue O acceda a su Cuenta de ParentVue existente.

PASO 2: Complete el registro en línea y suba todos los documentos requeridos en línea. Comuníquese con la Srta. Karen Serna, nuestra registradora escolar si necesita ayuda.

PASO 3: Un miembro del personal de Simonton se comunicará con usted para programar una cita para que su estudiante complete la Evaluación de Preparación para Kindergarten.

¿Sin acceso a Internet? ¿Problemas subiendo documentos en línea?

Llame a la Oficina de Simonton

770-513-6637



Los primeros 100 estudiantes que tengan todo el papeleo de inscripción completo recibirán un paquete de Bienvenida a Kindergarten de Simonton.



¡Únase con nosotros para la Noche de Transición al Kindergarten!

Jueves, Mayo 1, 2025 a las 5:30PM

Simonton Elementary School

GCPS's New Student Enrollment/Registration page

Reminders:

- Please scroll down in the registration page and select to enroll in the **2025-2026** school year.
 - Parents will receive an email after submitting their OLR application. This email directs them to contact the school for an appointment for enrollment.
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MAXWELL HIGH SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY **2025** Middle School

SUMMER ADVENTURES





Information:

When: May 27 - May 30
8 AM - 12 PM

Who: Current 5th-8th graders

Fee: \$100 Nonrefundable

How: Register at MyPaymentsPlus beginning March 7

Location: 990 McElvaney Lane, NW
Lawrenceville, Ga 30044

Contact: 770.963.6838

Programs:

- Animation
- Babysitting
- Cosmetology
- Engineering Design Graphics
- General Automotive Services
- Healthcare
- Jr. Chefs
- Jr. Firefighters
- Jr. Graphic Designers
- Jr. Pilots
- Law Enforcement



Visit our Middle School Summer Adventures website!
<https://schools.gcpsk12.org/domain/13549>

Annual Parent Involvement Survey

Who: Families of students who are receiving special education services

What: Each state is required to conduct a parent survey to measure parent/family perceptions of the success of parent engagement between home and local schools.

When: Available January 20 through May 31

Where: Please use the following [link](#) to access the survey

[2025 Parent Survey Letter- English](#)

[2025 Parent Survey Letter- Spanish](#)

Annual Parent Involvement Survey

FOR FAMILIES OF STUDENTS
RECEIVING SPECIAL EDUCATION
SERVICES



STRAWBRIDGE PICTURE DELIVERY & CODE LOOK UP TOOL!

Parents,

Do you still need to order pictures? Our NEW Code Lookup Tool is now available. You can simply scan the QR code and follow the directions to access their child's picture ordering gallery. No need to contact Customer Service for an access code! ***Student last name and Student ID number will**

be required for data security.*

If at any time you have questions about the Code Lookup or are having difficulty navigating the site, they can still reach out to our Customer Service team via the Live Chat on our website, www.strawbridge.net

We appreciate you choosing Strawbridge Studios as your school picture provider. We look forward to seeing you at your next picture day!

Thank you!

How To Access Ordering Gallery

Scan code below and follow these 5 easy steps!

Step 1

Type the **School Name** into the Search box, select the **State**, then click **Search**.



Step 2

Please choose your school from the list provided below.

Step 3

Select **Get Code** next to the picture day you need the code for.

Step 4

Enter your child's **Last Name** and **Student ID Number**, then click **Search**.

Step 5

Click on the **Student Code** to access your student's image gallery!

Any Questions?

Live Chat Us Online At www.strawbridge.net
or
(866) 624-6229 or customerservice@strawbridge.net

Cómo acceder a la galería de pedidos

Escanea el código a continuación y sigue estos 5 pasos fáciles!

Step 1

Escribe el nombre de la escuela en el cuadro de búsqueda, selecciona el estado y luego haz clic en **Buscar**.



Step 2

Por favor, elige tu escuela de la lista proporcionada a continuación.

Step 3

Selecciona "Obtener código" al lado del día de la foto para el cual necesitas el código.

Step 4

Ingresa el apellido de tu hijo/a y el número de identificación del estudiante, luego haz clic en **Buscar**.

Step 5

Haz clic en el código de estudiante para acceder a la galería de imágenes de tu estudiante!

¿Alguna pregunta?

Chatea con nosotros en línea en www.strawbridge.net
o
(866) 624-6229 or customerservice@strawbridge.net

Medication

Students may **NOT** carry medication of any kind to school. For student safety, we need to be aware of the medication and dosage in case there are any adverse reactions. The clinic worker is authorized to administer medications to students when proper paperwork is completed. Medications should always be in the original containers when brought to or picked up from school by an adult. **Medication may not be brought to school by a student.** These procedures are a safety precaution for your child, both on the bus and when they visit the clinic.

Counselor's Corner

Who has the Black Knight?

We started a new attendance incentive program this year called, "**Who has the black knight?**" Every other week the counselors get on the announcements and ask the students "Who has the black knight? Students look under their desks and see if they have it. Students that have the black knight receive a prize. If a student is absent or was tardy to school, they wouldn't receive the prize. This program is a reminder to students that coming to school and being on time is very important.



SWAG:

As an attendance incentive, classes are rewarded when everyone in class is present. They earn letters to spell **SWAG** which stands for Student Weekly Attendance Goals. Once this is achieved, they earn a popsicle party. They can earn two more popsicle parties a semester by earning the letters to spell **BLACK** and **KNIGHTS**.

Handbook Highlights

STUDENT SUPPORT TEAM

The purpose of the Student Support Team (SST) is to allow teachers, parents and other educators to work in a collaborative manner to develop an intervention plan to address the needs of students who are not experiencing success (academic and behavior). This group provides advice, suggests alternative teaching strategies or interventions to support the students in meeting grade level expectations.

TEXTBOOKS AND SCHOOL ISSUED EQUIPMENT AND DEVICES

The Gwinnett County Board of Education provides a variety of teaching materials. Books and student issued Chromebooks are expensive and must be properly cared for throughout the year. Students/Parents will be responsible for damaged or lost textbooks and school issued equipment (chromebooks, computer headphones, etc.).

Kids 4 Coding

New Spring Special & New Upgrades!

All Full-Day Camps \$598

All Half-Day Camps \$299

***For a limited time, we're offering a FREE laptop rental
(\$35 value) to the first 7 campers per class!***

New Camps for Ages 6+



Instructors from GA Tech & UGA

7:1 Student-teacher ratio

Affordable prices

Fun, engaging curriculum

Teacher-owned and operated

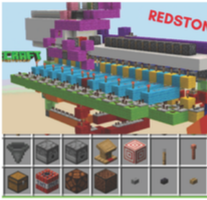
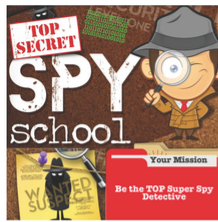


Kids4Coding.com

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Summer STEAM Camps for Ages 6-12

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Parent Tools

ParentVUE, ParentSquare and My Payments Plus

We have three different platforms that help you partner with us to support your student.

1. [ParentVue](#) gives you access to your student's grades, attendance, course history, and more.
2. [ParentSquare](#) is a communication platform designed to keep parents and guardians informed. Gwinnett County Public Schools will use this platform to allow you to electronically review and digitally sign required GCPS and Simonton ES orientation forms.
3. Finally, [My Payments Plus \(MPP\)](#) is the resource used for student meal accounts, registering and paying for student activities, making donations to the school, and more.



ParentVUE



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MyPaymentsPlus

We encourage all families to create a MyPaymentsPlus (MPP) account. No purchase is necessary to have a MPP account. It is a great way for you to manage and keep track of all of your student payments and forms in one place throughout the school year.

MyPaymentsPlus is linked directly to your school's student information system (SIS), enabling us to show real-time balances and invoices, and eliminating the need to call or visit your school in search of information.

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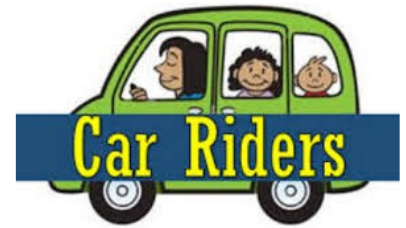
Free and Reduced Lunch Application

The application for free and reduced lunch is now available. **There will be no waiver in place to offer free lunch for all students.** Please complete the application if you feel this is a service your family will need. **All students who have not been approved for free or reduced lunch service will be charged the full price each day.**



Free and Reduced Lunch Application:

- The tardy bell rings at 8:15 AM
- Students that are tardy must be walked into the building and signed in by an adult
- Afternoon pick-up is from 2:45 PM-3:05 PM
- An official, school issued, Car Rider Number must be displayed in the front window of your car
- Afternoon pick-up after 3:05 will be from the front office and you must show a photo ID
- No child will be released without a tag except through the front office
- Transportation changes must be made in writing
- The car rider line is a single lane. No one should drive around parked or loading vehicles
- PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR

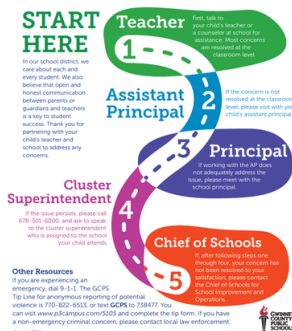


Addressing Concerns at School

In our school district, we care about each and every student. We also believe that open and honest communication between parents and teachers is a key to student success. Thank you for partnering with your child's teacher and school to address any concerns.

Addressing Concerns at School

Gwinnett County Public Schools finds that the quickest and most effective way to resolve a concern regarding your child is by addressing it at the most direct level.



Abordar las preocupaciones en la escuela

Las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Gwinnett han encontrado que la manera más rápida y efectiva de resolver una inquietud con respecto a su niño es abordarla a nivel más directo.



Elementary Parent e-Tips

Collect your child's accomplishments in a special box

Feeling capable motivates children to take on challenges. One way to help your child recognize personal strengths is to make an accomplishments box. Decorate a shoebox and label it with your child's name. Cut a slot in the lid. Throughout the year, write your student's accomplishments, large and small, on slips of paper and put them in the box. Around your child's birthday, open the box and celebrate new skills and abilities. <https://tpitip.com/?15eE18608>

To make sense of nonfiction reading, spin a 'reading web' together

If your child struggles to make sense of nonfiction reading, drawing a "reading web" before even beginning to read may help. Have your student write down the title of the chapter or passage and draw lines branching out from it. Next, have your child preview the text and write each section heading on a different branch. While reading, your child can branch subheadings out from each section heading. This type of diagram shows students how details support the main idea.

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Junk mail can be a great teaching tool

Before you toss junk mail, have your child examine it to find out where it came from. Then, help your student locate and mark that place on a map. Does more mail come from certain areas? You can also have your child sort the junk mail in a variety of ways: by state, region or how far its origin is from your home. Which piece traveled the longest distance? Help your child estimate how long it would take to make the drive. <https://tpitip.com/?15eG18608>

Logical consequences reinforce responsibility

Learning to carry out instructions is part of developing responsibility, at home and at school. Instead of repeating commands over and over, stop telling and start doing. If you've asked your child to empty pockets before putting pants in the laundry basket, wash only the pants with empty pockets. When favorite jeans stay dirty and your child has to wear disliked pants to school, your student may be more motivated to act responsibly. <https://tpitip.com/?15eH18608>

Create a family motto that inspires persistence

It isn't always easy for children to persevere in tough situations. One way to inspire your child to keep trying is by creating a family motto that expresses this idea. It could be something like, "In our family, we stick with it until it's done." Have family members make suggestions and decide together on a motto. Repeat the motto often. Over time, this saying will become personal for your child. <https://tpitip.com/?15eI18608>

Talk about real people who write

To spark an interest in writing, talk about the authors of the books your child reads. What information does the book give about its author? How does the author's life relate to the book, if at all? Help your child think about the author's style: humor, short sentences, or a certain point of view, for example. Can your student write a story that imitates it? <https://tpitip.com/?15eJ18608>

Use report cards to plan for the future

Many adults remember report card time as stressful. But it doesn't have to be! Eliminate surprises by talking with your child throughout the grading period about how schoolwork is going. When the report card comes, comment on something positive first. Then, calmly discuss each grade with your child. If there's room for improvement, what steps does your student think will help? Write up a plan together. You may want to consult the teacher for ideas. <https://tpitip.com/?15eK18608>

NOTICE

Students, Parents, Employees, and Visitors

Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or disability. You should speak with your Local School Title IX Coordinator if you:

- believe you have been discriminated against
- believe you have been sexually harassed
- need assistance with website accessibility
- have questions about accessibility or accommodations

You may contact your Local School Title IX Coordinator for assistance by writing or calling:

Joe Sanfilippo
Local School Assistant Title IX Coordinator
Simonton ES
275 Simonton Road
Lawrenceville, GA 30045
joe.sanfilippo@gcpsk12.org
770-513-6637

You may also contact the Division of Human Resources for assistance by writing or calling:

Nicole Holcomb, Ed.S., J.D.
District Title IX Coordinator
Gwinnett County Public Schools
Division of Human Resources
437 Old Peachtree Road NW
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- cree que ha sido discriminado
- cree que ha sido acosado sexualmente
- necesita ayuda para entrar a la página web
- tiene preguntas sobre accesibilidad o acomodaciones

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Core Belief

Every Student Every Day, Deserves to Learn, Lead, and Excel

Commitments

- We commit to giving our students a fresh start every day.
- We commit to preparing quality and engaging lessons that will prepare our students to be successful in school.
- We commit to teaching, modeling and holding our students accountable for appropriate school behavior.
- We commit to providing our students with a structured and safe learning environment.
- We commit to a great year of learning, leading, and excelling

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