



BARNWELL ELEMENTARY

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County Schools
Where Students Come First

A Note from the Principal, Takisha Benning August 21, 2025

New Information

As we wrap up the third week of school, we're grateful and excited to see strong engagement, positive energy, and a shared commitment to growth from both students and staff.

We're proud to share that our 3rd–5th grade Milestone results from last spring show strong growth, with more students reading at or above grade level and higher scores at the Proficient and Distinguished levels across all assessments. This progress is a direct result of the hard work and dedication of our incredible teachers and students. Kudos to everyone for your commitment to excellence!

As we move forward, we will keep the momentum going—with the same passion and focus on every student, every day. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help our students grow, thrive, and achieve their full potential.

[2024-2025 Milestone Score Reports are Available in Infinite Campus](#)

If your student took the Georgia Milestone Assessments Last Spring, score reports are available in the parent portal. For access, please click the link [Parent's Guide to Understanding and Accessing GMAS Scores.pdf](#) to view the Parent's Guide to Understanding and Accessing Student Score Reports. Best results if accessing from a computer.

[Upcoming Student Holidays:](#)

In observance of Labor Day, Fulton County Schools will be closed on Monday, September 1st. **School will resume for students on Tuesday, September 2nd.** Please click [here](#) for the FCS 2025-2026 calendar.

[Upcoming Events/Save The Date:](#)

[All Pro Dad's Breakfast – August 22nd](#)

Friday, August 22nd at 6:45 AM, Barnwell dads and students are invited for breakfast in the cafeteria. Take a chance to connect with your student, our school, and discuss topics that help students to build character. *(No child should feel left out - Moms or Guardians are welcome too).*

PLEASE RSVP at allprodadchapters.com/chapters/4353

Thursday, August 28th – Curriculum Night

Date	Time	Grade Levels
Thursday, August 28 th	5:00 PM- 5:30 PM	General PTO Membership Mtg
Thursday, August 28 th	5:45 PM – 6:30 PM	Pre-K through 2 nd grades
Thursday, August 28 th	6:45 PM – 7:30 PM	3 rd through 5 th grades

Fall Picture Day – Wednesday, September 10th

Get ready to bring your biggest smile! All students will be photographed on September 10th. Flyers will be sent home in your student's folder next week.

Click the link to place your order at mylifetouch.com and use **your Picture Day ID: EVTZ2QQMR**. Your child can also bring their completed form with cash or check on Picture Day. Orders after Picture Day must be placed online only on mylifetouch.com.

Parent Volunteers Needed for Picture Day

Help us make Picture Day smooth and effortless. Please click [here](#) if you would like to sign up to volunteer. All volunteers must complete the volunteer protocol [here](#) prior to your arrival. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Agerton at Agertons@fultonschools.org.

Save the Date! VIP Grandparents Breakfast – Friday, September 12th

We're excited to welcome our Very Important People—Grandparents and Special Guests—to join us for a heartwarming morning at our VIP Grandparents Breakfast! This special event is a wonderful way to celebrate the important role grandparents and special guests play in our students' lives. Enjoy breakfast, smiles, and quality time together! **Please note:** Due to space limitations, we kindly ask that only two guests per student attend. More details to come—please mark your calendars now!

Get Ready for Fall Walk to School Day! – Wednesday, September 17th

Join us as we celebrate Fall Walk to School Day! It's a fun, healthy, and eco-friendly way to start the day. Grab your walking shoes, bikes, or scooters and invite your friends, and let's make it a day to remember!

Principals Coffee Chat – Wednesday, September 17th

Please mark your calendars for the Principals Coffee Chat on Wednesday, September 17th from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM in the Media Center. This informal gathering offers a wonderful opportunity to connect, share your thoughts, ask questions, and receive updates on our initiatives for the school year.

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 to be buzzed in.

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.

Recurring School and Community News

Titan Boys Basketball

Northview High School will host Titan Sundays in September and would like to invite all Zone 6, 4th - 8th grade students to attend. This will be a basketball skills and games clinic where we teach the game to our surrounding community. Please click [here](#) or more information.

Jr. Gladiator Girls Basketball Skills Sessions

Johns Creek High School will host a basketball skills clinic for students in 1st through 7th grades and girls' basketball tryouts for students in grades 5th through 8th. Please click [here](#) for more information about tryouts and [here](#) for the basketball skills clinic.

Strive for Girls Basketball

All girls basketball Skills and Drills will be held on Sundays, August 17th – October 19th from 1:00 PM-2:00 PM. Please click [here](#) for more information.

After School Programs

Below are the After School Programs that are offered at Barnwell Elementary this semester. Registration/payment is done through the companies listed below. Click on the flyers listed below for more information:

- Building Character - [Flyer](#)
- Challenge Island - [Flyer](#)
- Championship Chess - [Flyer](#)
- Coder School - [Flyer](#)
- Guitar Club - [Flyer](#)
- Kidz Keys - [Flyer](#)
- Yoga - [Flyer](#)

Dates to Remember

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
All Pro Dad's Breakfast	8/22	6:45 am-7:30 am	Cafeteria
PTO General Membership Mtg	8/28	5:00 pm -5:30 pm	Cafeteria
Curriculum Night PK-2 nd	8/28	5:45 pm-6:30 pm	Classrooms
Curriculum Night 3 rd -5 th	8/28	6:45 pm-7:30 pm	Classrooms
PTO Board Mtg	8/29	7:30 am-9:00 am	Adm Conf Room
Labor Day	9/1	School Closed	---
Picture Day	9/10	During School Day	---
VIP Grandparents Day Breakfast	9/12	6:45 am-7:40 am	Cafeteria
Fall Walk to School Day	9/17	7:10 am -7:40 am	---
Principal Coffee Chat	9/17	8:00 am-9:00 am	Media Center
Publix Math Night	9/23	5:30 pm-7:30 pm	Haynes Publix
All Pro Dad's Breakfast	9/19	6:45 am-7:30 am	Cafeteria
PTO Board Mtg	9/26	7:30 am-9:00 am	Adm Conf Room
Art Extravaganza Contest Begins	9/22	---	---

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
- Dr. Helen Herring, Instructional Support Teacher – Herringh@fultonschools.org
- Takisha Benning, Principal – Benning@fultonschools.org

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[Birthday Celebration Form](#)

Takisha Benning
Principal