

Shark Bytes

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Shark Tales:

As we approach spring break, we know that all of our Sharks and their families are looking forward to spending time together. We have a great week of learning planned and will wrap up the week with our annual Artist Day, sponsored by PTO. As we approach this much anticipated break and the end of the school year, please remind your children of our school-wide expectations of showing leadership, kindness, and respect at all times, even when no one is watching. We will remain extra vigilant as the end of year excitement builds. Please help support us at home by reinforcing positive behavior expectations, making sure students don't bring any forbidden items to school, and closely monitoring their technology use. We appreciate you partnering with us to ensure our Sharks make good choices as we wrap up the school year.



Remember, if you become aware of any information that poses a threat to students, staff or school safety, please reach out to any administrator, or report it to our anonymous FCS Tip Line at the following link: <https://www.fultonschools.org/fcstipline>. If you are aware of an immediate emergency, please call 911.

The responsibility for keeping our students, staff, and schools safe should be a top priority for all of us. We appreciate your support!

Hope to see you at the GAME tonight! Gladiators Hockey Community Night – Friday, 3/27!

Get ready for a fun and spirited night of hockey and community! Join us on **Friday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m.** as Shakerag takes over Gas South Arena for Atlanta Knights Night with the Atlanta Gladiators! A portion of every ticket sold goes back to our school, so come cheer on the Glads and catch our very own **Shakerag Chorus** kick off the evening with the National Anthem. Let's pack the arena and show our Shark pride! Click [HERE](#) for more details & to purchase tickets.

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast – LAST DAY TO RSVP

If you are one of our many wonderful volunteers, please join us on Thursday, April 16 from 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. in the Media Center for a breakfast in your honor followed by our State of the School address. You can RSVP by clicking [here](#). Please RSVP by March 27. We can't wait to recognize all of the amazing contributions you make so that our school can be successful.

Pre-K Lottery Drawing Results

The Lottery for the 2026-2027 Pre-K Class has concluded. Results can be found [here](#). If you missed the deadline to register, please contact Courtney Gatlin Cleary, school data clerk, at gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org to be placed on the waiting list. You will be placed at the bottom of the waiting list in the order that your communication is received.

Artist Day – Friday, April 3

Shakerag's Annual Artist and Culture Day, sponsored by our amazing PTO, is on Friday, April 3, 2026! This exciting event offers students a unique opportunity to embark on a global journey, exploring diverse forms of art and culture from around the world.

The day will begin with a special performance by our chorus, setting the stage for an inspiring and educational experience. Throughout the day, students will engage in interactive sessions, discovering the rich traditions and creative expressions of various cultures, including Latin America, Japan, China, India, Korea, and more.

We are thrilled to feature an incredible lineup of artists and performers, showcasing a wide range of talents and art forms. Students will have the chance to participate in a sampling of sessions to include things such as opera, experience the vibrant energy of Bollywood and K-Pop dance, enjoy the artistry of a caricaturist, be entertained by a ventriloquist and magician, and witness the captivating movements of Mexican and Flamenco dance, among many other exciting activities.

Shakerag's Artist and Culture Day promises to be a memorable celebration of creativity, diversity, and global connection. We can't wait to share this inspiring day with our students!

On this special day, we will be having a school-wide lunch/recess from 11:30-12:30. **Since we will not be operating under our normal schedules, we will not be accepting visitors on this day.**

Save the Date! GA Milestones for Grades 3-5

Mark your calendars... This year the GA Milestones assessment window for students in grades 3-5 will be April 29 – May 7. Additional details will be provided following Spring Break.

Youth Art Month

March is Youth Art Month (YAM), a nationwide celebration that highlights the importance of art education and student creativity. Our theme this year is "The World Needs Art." YAM encourages students to express themselves, try new creative activities, and appreciate how art connects us all.

Youth Art Month has a variety of activities for students to participate in: Maker Mondays, Texture Tuesdays, Welcome Wednesdays, Thoughtful Thursday, and Fashion Fridays. Each Friday, we'll have special dress-up days, and students are encouraged to gift artwork to others as a way of sharing joy and creativity. Participation in events is completely optional, but we hope students will join in the fun! Any art—made in or outside of class—can be given to Ms. Munson to display in our hallway gallery throughout March. For the Fashion Friday calendar, click [here](#).

Let's make March a month full of creativity and connection. Thank you for supporting the arts at our school!

A Message from the PTO:

Let's celebrate our amazing 5th grade students at Shakerag Elementary School!

Order a special personalized yard sign featuring your student's name and show your pride as they move on to middle school! Please place your order using the information on the flyer (click [here](#)) by April 17. Signs will be delivered to the school and available for pickup in early May.

We're Looking for PTO Co-Chairs!

We are seeking parent volunteers to serve as Co-Chairs for several PTO roles, including Science Fun Labs, Bingo Night, Treats for Teachers, and Room Parents. These positions are a great way to get involved—co-chairs work alongside the current chair this year to learn the role and prepare to lead next year. Interested? Contact us at shakeragpto@gmail.com to learn more!

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting

Our next School Governance Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 13 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](#).

Have a wonderful weekend!

