

# Shark Bytes

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## Shark Tales:

### **Volunteer Breakfast**

We want to thank all of our wonderful volunteers that were able to join us on Thursday for our Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. We would not be able to be as successful as we are without your support. Thank you for all that you do!



### **Shakerag Showcase – This Thursday, April 23!**

We will be hosting our annual Shakerag Showcase on April 23 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Please plan to drop by anytime during this hour to explore, museum style, all of the amazing things our students have accomplished this year. This is a popular event and parking is extremely limited. Please bring your patience and make sure you never park in a fire lane!

### **GA Milestones**

Our 3rd through 5th grade students will get to show what they know in April/May on the Georgia Milestones. For more information about the Georgia Milestones, visit our state testing website by clicking [here](#). We will be in “testing mode” throughout our building from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. each day during the testing window and will not be accepting volunteers during that time. The specials and lunch schedule may also be modified depending on the testing day. Thank you for your support and flexibility. If you have any questions, please contact our testing coordinator, Samantha Weaver, at [weavers@fultonschools.org](mailto:weavers@fultonschools.org). Below you will find the Milestones testing schedule.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		April 29 ELA Section 1 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	April 30 ELA Section 2 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	May 1 ELA Section 3 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>
	May 5 Math Section 1 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	May 6 Math Section 2 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	May 7 Science 5 <sup>th</sup>	

### **Student Placement Support Request for the 2026-2027 School Year**

If you feel your child has a specific need that we should be aware of when considering class placements for the 2026-2027 school year, please carefully read and review the Student Placement Support Request Form by [clicking here](#). If needed, please submit the form on or before **3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 11**. The form will no longer be available after **May 11**.

### **Kindergarten Round-Up**

We will be hosting our Kindergarten Round-up on **Wednesday, May 6 at 5:00 p.m.** Please click [here](#) for more details. To register for the event, please use the following link. [Kindergarten Orientation RSVP 2026-2027 School Year – Fill out form](#) If you know a future SHARK, please pass this information on. Our current PreK students do not need to attend unless you would like to join us.

## A Message from the PTO:

### **PTO Agenda Cover Contest Winners!**

A huge thank you to all the talented students who shared their creativity with us for this year’s Agenda Cover Contest! We loved seeing all your amazing artwork. Big congratulations to our winners: Maanvi B. (4th grade) and Keiichi M. (2nd grade). Next year, Keiichi’s wonderful artwork will brighten up the agendas for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders, while Maanvi’s beautiful design will be featured on the 4th and 5th grade agendas. We’re so proud of all our participants, your creativity is truly inspiring! Keep up the great work, and congratulations again to our winners!

### **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](mailto: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](#).

## **School Governance Council (SGC) Elections**

The Spring 2026 SGC Elections will take place from **April 22<sup>nd</sup>-April 29<sup>th</sup>**. During this period, eligible parents and teachers can cast their votes using the links provided via email.

### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

1. **How Will Parents Vote?** Parents will receive a **unique link** to their email address that is on file with the district. This link will allow parents to **vote directly** for their school candidates.
2. **Multiple Schools? No Problem!** If you have a child at **multiple schools**, don't worry! Parents will receive **unique links** to the same email address based on each student. For example, if you have a child at multiple schools, you will receive **one email** with a unique link that allows you to vote for each SGC.
3. **Staff Voting:** Staff will receive a **link to vote** via their FCS district email.
4. **No Paper Ballots:** We will **not provide paper ballots** for the elections. However, if you need assistance with updating your email address (or setting one up), please contact our school Data Clerk, Mrs. Gatlin-Cleary at [gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org](mailto:gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org).
5. **Missing Email Address?** If you don't have an email address on file, please reach out to our school Data Clerk, Mrs. Gatlin-Cleary at [gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org](mailto:gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org) to provide updated information.
6. **Translation Options:** The election ballot will be **translated into different language options** for parents.

### **Election Email Information:**

*Sender:* **Fulton School Governance Elections**

*Subject Line (Parent Email):* **FCS School Governance - 2026 Parent Elections**

*Subject Line (Teacher Email):* **FCS School Governance - 2026 Teacher Elections**

### **Voting Eligibility:**

- **Parents:** Parents will only vote for **parent candidates**. They will receive a unique link to cast their votes directly for the SGC candidates representing parents.
- **Teacher:** Staff will vote for **teacher candidates**. They will receive a link via their FCS district email to participate in the elections.

## **A Message from Fulton County:**

### **Census Verification**

It's time to help us update your census information in Infinite Campus. It is important for us to make sure all student information is maintained to support safe dismissal practices—particularly during emergency situations. It is critical that we have up to date and current information on file as we are unable to release students to anyone other than identified emergency contacts. All families are encouraged to identify at least one emergency contact other than the parent or guardian in the event the parent or guardian is unable to be reached. Beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, families can complete census verification through Infinite Campus Online Registration. The following flyer ([Infinite Campus Online Registration](#)) was sent home today in Friday folders. Please review this very important information and ensure you update the information for your family in Infinite Campus as soon as possible. Your support in completing this important task is greatly appreciated.

## **In The Community:**

### **Kristin McCabe's Community Meeting**

Our school board member, Kristin McCabe, will be hosting a community meeting on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at Shakerag Elementary School. All are welcome to join.

### **Northview Techno Titans Robotics Team**

The Northview Techno Titans Robotics Team will be hosting a STEM Night workshop at our team workspace on Saturday, April 25, from 4:00 - 5:30 pm. Please click [here](#) for more information.

**Have a great weekend!**

