

Shark Bytes

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Shark Tales:

Newcomers Coffee

We want to thank our new families and PTO Co-President, Sharia Satterfield, for joining us on Wednesday, August 26 for our Newcomers Coffee. If any member of the Shakerag family, new or returning, ever has an issue, concern, or question, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher and/or any member of the Shakerag staff.



School Enrollment Allocation Timeline (SEAT) Update

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we worked through the district's annual Student Enrollment Allocation Timeline (SEAT) process. As shared last week, our student enrollment numbers at each grade level have allowed us to retain all of our general education teaching positions. Unfortunately, we have experienced some staffing impacts within our special areas and special programs.

For students receiving services through any of our special programs, including Special Education and ESOL, we will communicate directly with the families of impacted students as staffing and scheduling adjustments are finalized.

Regarding our special area classes (Art, Music, PE, and ASL/CTAE), Mr. Denney, who provided music instruction on Thursdays, will be transitioning to a new school full-time. Students will continue to participate in Art, Music, and ASL/CTAE once each week and PE twice each week. However, we will need to adjust our specials schedule to accommodate this change. If your child's specials schedule is modified, your child's homeroom teacher will provide the updated weekly schedule.

We sincerely apologize for any confusion or inconvenience these adjustments may cause. We appreciate your flexibility and support as we finalize schedules and ensure a smooth learning experience for all students.

Introducing the Strong4Life Challenge Program from Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

We are excited to announce that we were selected to participate in the Strong4Life Challenge Program with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta this year.

At Children's, their mission is to make kids better today and healthier tomorrow. Strong4Life is one of the many ways they deliver on that promise by providing programming and resources to schools to help raise healthy, safe, resilient kids. It takes everyone at the schools working together—from the administration to the teachers, school nurses, coaches, counselors and school nutrition staff—to make a positive impact on students.

The Strong4Life Challenge Program teaches students about the importance of practicing healthy habits to help build strong bodies and strong minds.

Led by the energetic Strong4Life Challenge Team, this yearlong program kicks off with a fun, interactive pep rally in the fall and concludes with an in-person visit in the spring. These visits cover the four healthy habits focused on nutrition, physical activity and emotional wellness. We look forward to learning more about how we can help our students be Strong4Life!

After school enrichments start next week!

If your child is signed up for any of our afterschool enrichments starting next week, please send in a dismissal note the day the enrichment starts and the day it ends notifying his/her teacher of an afternoon transportation change. Please click [here](#) to access our Change of Dismissal form.

Fall Picture Day – Wednesday, September 9

Fall Picture Day is Wednesday, September 9. GCI portraits will be taking our individual portraits for the yearbook. These pictures will be available for purchase at <https://www.gciporraits.com/pre-pay-for-pictures> School Code- S125. Order forms should be included in your child's Friday folder.

FCS News:

Protect Your Child's School Device – Deadline September 25!

Fulton County Schools offers a Device Protection Plan to help families avoid the full cost of repairing or replacing student devices. For just \$50, this plan provides peace of mind throughout the school year. The deadline for purchase is September 25, so don't wait. For more details, please click [here](#).

TAG Eligibility Update

The Fulton County School System screens all students for eligibility for gifted services (TAG) twice a year and uses a systematic approach to identify highly capable students who may qualify for gifted services. Please click [here](#) for more information on the TAG Eligibility Process.

A Message from the PTO:

Make Waves with the Shakerag PTO!

Shop Spirit Wear!

Ready to show your Shark pride? There's still time! Browse and customize your favorite Shakerag Spirit Wear online: <https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/GA/Johns%20Creek/Shakerag%20Elementary%20School>

Let's make waves all year long and fill our halls with Shark pride!

3rd Grade Takes the Win!

Congratulations to 3rd Grade for winning our PTO Membership Challenge and earning a Popsicle Party!

We're now at 81 PTO member families, but our goal is 150 families this year! Every membership helps PTO fund programs, events, and experiences that benefit our students and staff. The contest may be over, but it's never too late to join. Help us reach 150! ♥

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting

Our first School Governance Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 9 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](#).

In the Community:

Upcoming Future Titan Night

Northview High School is excited to host all Northview feeder elementary and middle school families for our Homecoming Game & Future Titan Community Night. All students will get free admission with a parent/guardian ticket if wearing their school spirit wear! Please click [here](#) for more information.

Girls in STEM

Girls in STEM is a club run by Northview High School students to encourage elementary school girls to join STEM fields at a young age! They introduce topics such as chemistry, engineering, physics, and more, through fun science experiments and activities. Meetings are completely free of charge and held once a month on Thursdays @ Northview High School from 3:50 – 5:00 PM!! Please click [here](#) for the flyer to join their mailing list!

Have a great weekend!

