

Shark Bytes

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Shark Tales:

Progress Reports

Student progress reports are now available on the Parent and Student Portals. For instructions on how to access your child's 4.5-week progress report, please click [here](#).



Strong 4 Life Pep Rally

Our Strong4Life Challenge Pep Rally is scheduled for Thursday, September 17! All students and staff members will join the assembly, where the Challenge Team from Children's Health Care of Atlanta will teach us about the four healthy habits – Eat smarter and drink water, screens go away and go play, get rest to do your best, and emotions are real so express how you feel! This high-energy event—full of music and dancing—will help teach students the importance of practicing healthy habits to help build strong bodies and minds. If you would like to opt your child out of the assembly, please email our Assistant Principal, Samantha Weaver, at weavers@fultonschools.org no later than noon on Wednesday, September 16.

Volunteers Needed for Our Media Center & PALS Program!

We are looking for parents who would like to support our school by volunteering in the Media Center and PALS workroom. Opportunities include shelving books, assisting students with book check-in/check-out, making copies, laminating, preparing classroom materials, and more. Whether you can help regularly or occasionally, we'd love to connect with you! If you have a little time to share, please complete the volunteer interest form so we can match your availability and interests with volunteer opportunities throughout the school year. If you have any questions, please reach out to Megan Milovich at MilovichM@fultonschools.org.

Sign up here: [PALS & Media Center Volunteer Interest – Fill out form](#)

FCS News:

All in on Attendance

This week, we are focusing on the importance of building strong and consistent attendance habits. Regular school attendance helps students establish routines that support both academic achievement and personal growth. These routines reinforce responsibility, time management, and a strong work ethic, which are essential life skills that extend beyond the classroom.

Arriving at school on time and ready to learn allows students to fully engage in instruction from the start of the day. Consistency helps students feel more confident, stay connected to their peers and teachers, and maintain steady academic progress.

Families can support this effort by establishing predictable morning routines and emphasizing the importance of showing up each day. Whenever possible, we encourage families to avoid scheduling vacations or non-emergency absences before or after holiday breaks, as these missed days can disrupt learning routines and valuable instructional time. Together, we can help students develop the habits they need to thrive and reach the goal of 95% attendance.

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](#).

A Message from the PTO:

Bingo Night Is Coming!

Get ready for Shakerag's biggest fundraiser of the year this October! Bingo Night is always a fun-filled evening for our school community, and we need your help to make it a huge success. Want to volunteer, help with planning, or support the event in another way? Contact ShakeragPTO@gmail.com today.

Help Us Create an Amazing Silent Auction!

You can support Bingo Night even if you're unable to volunteer your time. We're seeking donations and community connections to help make our Silent Auction exciting and successful.

Consider donating:

- Restaurant or retail gift cards
- Family experiences or attraction tickets
- Sports, lessons, camps, or activities
- Products or services from local businesses
- New items for themed baskets
- Donations or sponsorships from your workplace

Do you know a business that may want to contribute? Have a great donation idea? Please reach out to ShakeragPTO@gmail.com and help us make this year's auction unforgettable! Thank you for helping PTO continue Making Waves at Shakerag!

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting

Our next School Governance Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 14 at 8:00 a.m.** At this meeting we will be holding a 10-minute public comment session. If you are interested in speaking at our public comment, please email Rashi Manaktala at Manaktalar@fultonschools.org. Public comment will be held at the end of the meeting. 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:

Kristin McCabe's Community Meeting

Our school board member, Kristin McCabe, will be hosting a community meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at Barnwell Elementary School. All are welcome to join.

Have a wonderful weekend!

