

Shark Bytes

Shakerag Elementary
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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 you do!

Treats for Teachers

Thank you, Agnes Law, Kathy Preuss, and the fabulous PTO, for once again preparing a delicious lunch for our teachers and staff today! We greatly appreciate our PTO for taking such good care of us during this busy time of year!

Spirit Nights at Culver's on Wednesday, April 17 & Thursday, April 18

Take a break from cooking dinner and join your friends and neighbors at Culver's (3135 Peachtree Parkway) on **Wednesday, April 17 and Thursday, April 18 from 5-8 PM** for our upcoming Spirit Night! Culver's has generously offered to donate 15% of ALL sales that evening towards our school for dine-in AND drive-thru orders. Each child will receive a free custard (Culver's specialty ice cream) with each kid's meal purchase.

Mark your calendars for our annual MOVIE Night

The date has been set. Please join us on Friday, April 26 for our annual movie night under the stars. Bring your blankets, chairs, and snacks and sit back and relax for this free event hosted by the Shakerag Foundation. We will be viewing Minions: The Rise of Gru. Stop by our business partner, Donut Chew, at 11305 Bell Road #103, and grab some yummy treats to enjoy during the movie. They will be donating a portion of their proceeds back to the Shakerag Foundation for sales on Friday, April 26 AND Saturday, April 27.

GA Milestones

Our 3rd through 5th grade students will get to show what they know in 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. – 12:00 p.m. each day during the testing window and will not be accepting volunteers during that time. The specials schedule will 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. Below you will find the Milestones testing schedule.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 29 3 rd and 5 th ELA 1	April 30 3 rd and 5 th ELA 2	May 1 3 rd and 5 th ELA 3	May 2 4 th Math 1	May 3 4 th Math 2
May 6 3 rd and 5 th Math 1	May 7 3 rd and 5 th Math 2	May 8 4 th ELA 1	May 9 4 th ELA 2 5 th Science 1 & 2	May 10 4 th ELA 3

Kindergarten Round-Up

We will be hosting our Kindergarten Round-up on Thursday, May 16 at 11:30 a.m. Please click [here](#) for more details. To register for the event, please use the following link. <https://forms.office.com/r/YXTSnXtmwP> If you know a future SHARK, please pass this information on. Our current PreK students do not need to attend.

Student Placement Support Request for the 2024-2025 School Year

If you feel your child has a specific need that we should be aware of when considering class placements for the 2024-2025 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 6**. The form will no longer be available after **May 6**.

PTO Agenda Cover Contest Winners

Thank you to all the students that submitted artwork for our agenda covers. Congratulations to this year's Agenda Cover Contest winners, Alaina H. (4th grade) and Meisha K. (2nd grade)! The winning cover art from Meisha will be placed on next year's agendas used by the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders while Alaina's artwork will be displayed on the agendas used by the 4th and 5th graders. Great job! Congratulations again to our winners!

Congratulations to our State Chess Champions

We would like to congratulate Vihaan S. (4th), Ken H. (5th), Alex H. (5th), Jason L. (5th), and Roshan S. (5th) on winning 4th place in the K-5 GA Chess State Championship tournament. We know they have worked hard!

Donations for ASL (Advanced Strategies Lab / STEM Lab):

Our STEM lab is collecting empty cereal boxes for upcoming projects. If you are able to donate, please send the items with your child. They can bring the items to Mrs. Pennywell at any time.

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

Yearbook

Don't miss out on all the memories that come with the 23-24 yearbook! Order yours [HERE!](#)

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council Meeting

We invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website, which can be accessed through our school website (click [here](#)). Our latest Strategic Plan as well as other relevant SGC information is posted to this site for your convenience. Our next SGC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8 at 8:00 a.m.

It's election time! I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to Megan Milovich and Mia Fiedler for stepping up and volunteering to support our School Governance Council. The School Governance Council voting window will be open from April 17-April 24. You will be able to vote for your preferred School Governance Council representative at that time. To learn more about the candidates, please see below for their candidate statements. Please access the voting system by using the unique link that will be emailed to you when the voting window opens. Please visit our website or contact us via email or phone if you have any questions. Thank you for taking part in this important process. Happy voting!

Candidate	Declaration Statement
Megan Milovich	I am a parent to two children at Shakerag Elementary. I have spent the last 3 years volunteering in various capacities at the school, including on the PTO board. I love being involved and it would be a privilege to serve on the SGC for Shakerag.
Mia Fiedler	My name is Mia Fiedler and I have had the privilege to serve on the SGC at Shakerag Elementary for the last two years. A little about myself - our family moved from Dunwoody to Johns Creek two years ago. I am an Atlanta native that grew up in the Chamblee Tucker area, graduating from Lakeside High School and then Georgia Tech. I am a patent attorney and have been practicing for over 16 years. All three of our kids will be Shakerag Sharks next year and we are very excited. During my time on SGC, I have worked with the fabulous leadership team, faculty, staff, and parents at Shakerag and have enjoyed contributing to the Shakerag community. I hope to continue working with everyone next year and help grow the community for our students and families. Thank you!

In the Community:

Parents of rising 6th graders

Welcome to River Trail Middle School. We look forward to seeing you in the fall. As part of Fulton County Schools residency verification process for all rising 6th graders, please submit 2 forms of residency for the upcoming school year 2024-2025. River Trail Middle School is requiring both residency documents to be emailed **ONLY** to 701-ResidencyVerification6th@fultonschools.org. The deadline for submitting documents is July 31, 2024. For any residency related questions, please email Monica Bhatnagar, River Trail Middle School Data Specialist at bhatnagars@fultonschools.org.

Northview Jr. Titan Cheer Program

Calling all future cheerleaders! The Northview Jr. Titan Cheer program is gearing up for their Fall 2024 season and would like to invite all interested 4th-8th grade students and their parents to attend their Cheer Interest meeting to be held in the Seven Oaks Clubhouse on Sunday, April 14 at 5:00 PM. Please register and/or express your interest in their program by completing their interest form [here](#). More information on their program can also be found on their website: <https://www.jrtitanscheer.com/>

Calling all Shakerag Youth Swimmers!!!

Join the Shakerag Sharks Swim Team for the 2024 season! All Shakerag Elementary students are eligible to join the team. Practice begins the week of May 13 with the season wrapping up at the end of June. **While we have a variety of ability levels on the team, each child needs to be able to swim independently before joining the team. An evaluation will be done for each new swimmer before being admitted to the team.** The season consists of 5 meets against other subdivisions within the Johns Creek community and all the team practices are held at the Shakerag HOA Pool. To learn more about how to register for the team, see the meet and practice schedule, and meet this years coaching staff, please visit the official team website at www.shakeragswimteam.com. You can also reach the team via email at shakeragswimteam@gmail.com with any questions regarding the team. Registration is open from March 1-April 15 GO SHARKS!!!

Have a great weekend!

