

Shark Bytes



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Shark Tales:

Another Great Year!

On behalf of all of us at Shakerag, thank you for sharing your amazing children with us this year. We have enjoyed learning and growing with them and are proud of their efforts and enthusiasm for school. This time of year is always a little sad for us as we say farewell to our 5th graders and those that may not be returning in the fall. We wish you all nothing but continued success!

We also want to thank our countless volunteers and business partners that helped make this a special year for our staff and children - we appreciate you!

We hope you all have an AMAZING summer, and we look forward to seeing everyone in August!

Field Day was a HIT!

We had a great time on Monday at Field Day! Thank you to all the parent volunteers who came out to help us make this day possible. A special thank you to Kelly Gipson, Nafiseh Sarirafraz, NaTasha Pennywell and Judy Lozada de Castillo for all of their hard work coordinating the volunteers and taking such good care of everyone. We also want to thank Coach Smith and Ms. Irma for organizing this fun day for our students!

Thank you, Saketh Pucha!

On behalf of the entire school, we would like to thank Saketh Pucha and his team of volunteers for the work they did for our school this past weekend to clean the whitetops, add hopscotch games, build benches and cornhole games for the children to use during recess. Thank you so much for all that you did for our school and congratulations on the completion of your Eagle Scout project!

Report Cards

Student report cards were sent home today in your child's Friday folder. They will be visible on June 2 using the Campus Parent and Campus Student Portals through Infinite Campus. For instructions on how to access your child's report card, please click [here](#). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher, Courtney Gatlin Cleary, data clerk (gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org), or Samantha Weaver, assistant principal (weavers@fultonschools.org).

Shakerag Summer Learning Choice Boards

Click [here](#) to access summer learning resources provided by your Shakerag teachers! These resources are grade specific and optional for our Sharks. We wanted to provide students with additional opportunities to keep learning while school is out.

Summer Construction

The staff at Shakerag will be relocating over the summer to River Trail Middle School due to construction. Should you need assistance, please contact us at 470-254-3880. Someone will be available to take your call and assist you Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Should you need to visit, please give us a call so we can be expecting you at River Trail.

Registration:

If you have a child that will be **NEW** to Shakerag next year, or if you meet a new neighbor this summer, please encourage them to visit our website by clicking [here](#) and register as soon as possible!

IF YOU WILL NOT BE RETURNING NEXT YEAR, please make sure Courtney Gatlin Cleary, our data clerk, is aware. You can email her at gatlinclearc@fultonschools.org.

A Look at the Future

We can't wait to see all of our students at our annual Sneak Peek on Thursday, August 1. We will welcome students with last names A-L from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and M-Z from 9:30-10:30 a.m. The first day of school is August 5 (School Hours are: 7:40 a.m. – 2:20 p.m.). For additional updates throughout the summer, please visit our [website](#).

As we get closer to the 2024-2025 school year, please check your email or our website for reminders about our Sneak Peek, the start of the school year, and Curriculum Nights. To access the 2024-2025 school calendar, please click [here](#).

GA Milestones Results

We are so proud of how hard our students worked on the GA Milestones. The Georgia Department of Education will release student Milestones results around July. Once scores are released, we will let families know how to access them from Infinite Campus.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact our school testing coordinator, Samantha Weaver, weavers@fultonschools.org.

Media Center

Summer is quickly approaching, and the Shakerag Media Center encourages all students to keep up the reading all summer long! Below are a few resources to help.

Fulton County Schools has provided summer reading suggestions for elementary, middle school, and high school reading as well as information about the digital resources that the district provides: <https://tinyurl.com/fcsummerreading2024>
Mrs. Francis has also included a list of suggested readings: [Book Recommendations by Grade Level.pdf](#)

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

2024 School Supply Kits

Purchase your school supplies **now** and enjoy more of your summer! These pre-ordered supplies will be delivered to the school for you to pick up at Sneak Peek. Visit www.write-stuff.com/storefront/school/shakerag to place your order. Orders placed by **June 2** will receive promotional pricing and free shipping to the school. After June 2, regular pricing and shipping will be applied, editing will no longer be available, and the kit will be shipped to your home. The last date to order before school starts is **July 5**. For more info, click [here](#) or email ShakeragPTO@gmail.com / nehamusalgaonkar@gmail.com

OUR SHAKERAG PTO NEEDS YOU!

Partnerships between parents, educators, and kids enhance children's success! Our PTO has consistently provided our students with outstanding educational and fun activities over the years that benefit our school and children directly. None of these events would ever have been possible without our parents' involvement, so we need YOUR help to make it all happen.

We currently have some very important open positions on our PTO Executive Board that needs immediate attention: Co-President, Financial Secretary and VP of Academic Enrichment (description of duties and timelines [here](#)). If you are looking for something that requires less of a commitment, we also have different Committee Chair roles available.

If you have additional questions or would like to sign-up, please contact us at ShakeragPTO@gmail.com.

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 first meeting of the 2024-2025 school year is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14 at 8:00 a.m.

FCS News:

Beyond the Classroom

The Family Engagement Team in Federal Programs is putting together a Virtual Kick-Off to the summer for parents and students. Beyond the Classroom: Summer Edition will be an interactive, virtual, event where parents and students can join to learn about topics and supports for students while at home during the summer. This MS TEAMS event will have choice sessions about:

1. Math
2. Reading
3. Stem
4. Marketing
5. Graphic Design
6. Technology Applications

Date: May 30th

Time: 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Location: Virtual: Click [here](#) to access the link on the flyer

Fulton Schools Serves FREE Summer Meals

The Fulton County School Nutrition Program recognizes the important role that school meals play in combating childhood hunger. To meet the needs of our students & children in the community, we will continue to provide nutritious meals even when school is not in session!

On-Site Summer School students will be offered a free student-favorite breakfast and lunch during their school's designated meal periods. Additionally, select sites will be open for all children 18 & under to enjoy breakfast and lunch at no cost.

A listing of Fulton County School Nutrition Summer Meals locations and serving times are available at www.fcsnutrition.com.

Help us get our SHARKS to and from Shakerag! Become a Bus Driver!

Fulton County Schools is looking for amazing bus drivers to fill current vacancies. If you are interested in driving for Shakerag, please click [here](#) for more details and a QR code to apply. We look forward to seeing your smiles on our yellow limousines.

FCS Virtual Creativity Days

This summer, Instructional Technology will be hosting three Virtual Creativity Days for students. These days are designed to be a fun way for students to engage in creative thinking as they design graphics, videos, and web pages. Rising 3rd-6th grade students will learn how to use Adobe Express while rising 7th-12th grade students will use Canva for Education. Each day will consist of three sessions centered around a daily theme. Students may choose to participate in any, or all the sessions on a given day.

Students will participate in these sessions through Microsoft Teams. Links to the meetings will be sent to participant's guardians and placed on the students' Fulton Microsoft Teams calendars the day before the event.

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/VCDFulton> for additional details and to register. Space is limited, so register today!

In the Community:

Ivy Bride Academy Debate Tournament

Shakerag Elementary is proud of students' Gnanitha C. & Arna D. who placed 4th in the Team Speaker Awards at Ivy Bridge Academy's recent debate tournament. Both students participated in Ivy Bridge Academy's debate program here at Shakerag and we are so proud of their accomplishments.

Northview Titan Cheer Mini-Camp June 17-20!

The Northview Cheer program is excited to host a mini-camp for students in grades K-8, June 17-20 at Northview High School. No prior cheer experience or skills are required! Just be ready to have fun with your favorite high school cheerleaders! To register please visit www.northviewcheer.com

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.

Exciting opportunities are available to join the River Trail PTO board! Positions like PBIS Chair, Social Media Chair, Website Chair, and more are open for dedicated individuals like you. Interested? Check out their detailed information by clicking on the [linked Google Doc](#) and reach out to info@rivertrailpto.com to get involved! Let's make a difference together!

Thank you to our Business Partners

We are so thankful for all the support our business partners gave us this year! Please click on each of the logos to take you to their website.



On behalf of the entire Shakerag Staff....
We wish you all a safe and amazing summer!

