

# Shark Bytes

**Shakerag Elementary**

*Celebrating Learning. Inspiring Leaders.*

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## Shark Tales:

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Commitments – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Begins on Tuesday, March 16

At last night's board meeting, it was shared that all students will remain in their current learning model (Remote or Face-to-Face) **UNLESS** a parent makes a request directly to the school to make a change for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. **If you would like for your child to remain in their current learning model, no further action is needed.**

#### Current Remote Learners:

If your child is currently Remote and you would like for them to begin attending school Face-to-Face on **Tuesday, March 16**, please [click here](#) to complete a 4<sup>th</sup> quarter change request.

#### Current Face-to-Face Learners:

If your child is currently attending school Face-to-Face and you would like for them to switch to Remote learning on **Tuesday, March 16**, please [click here](#) to complete a 4<sup>th</sup> quarter change request.

**All 4<sup>th</sup> quarter change requests MUST be submitted on or before Wednesday, March 10.** After Wednesday, March 10, the district Learning Environment Hardship request process will go back into effect.



## Read Across America Week

Read Across America Week is Monday, March 1 through Friday, March 5. During this week, we will celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday while also promoting a love of reading with fun dress-up days. See below for the daily dress-up themes, or [click here](#) for more information.

- Monday- Fox in the Socks: wear silly socks!
- Tuesday- The Cat in the Hat: wear your favorite hat or dress in red and white!
- Wednesday- Wacky Wednesday: wacky hair and/or mismatched clothes!
- Thursday- Green Eggs and Ham: wear green!
- Friday- I Am NOT Going to Get Up Today: wear your pajamas! (be sure to have appropriate shoes)

## THANK YOU!

We would like to extend a giant THANK YOU to JoAnn Tan, a former Shakerag parent, for donating the funds to provide a special Publix lunch for our entire staff last Thursday! We greatly appreciate her generosity!

## Spring Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year

Spring Registration will be held on **March 31-April 1** for NEW students (Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) who will be joining us at Shakerag in August. Registration will be conducted all **online**. If your child is currently enrolled at Shakerag, there are no actions needed for enrollment for next school year. If you know of any families new to the area, or meet a new family over the summer, please encourage them to enroll as soon as possible!

For more information, please see our [website](#).

**\*\*At this time, we have not received information from the district about the Pre-K Lottery. Once we receive that information, we will immediately add it to our [website](#).**

## A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

We invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website, which can be accessed by clicking [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, February 24 at 8:00 a.m.** via Microsoft TEAMS. Please click [here](#) to join us!

## SGC Elections – WE NEED YOU!

Our School Governance Council has **TWO** elected parent/guardian and **ONE** elected teacher positions open for election. Parents or guardians of students who will be attending our school during **both** the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years are eligible to run for the parent/guardian SGC positions. We currently don't have any parents running for a spot on our council. We really need your help and support to ensure we have a full council.

**If you are interested in running for a position on the School Governance Council, please complete and submit a Parent/Guardian Candidate Declaration Form by clicking [here](#). Forms will be available Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> through Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Voting for new SGC members will occur March 17 – 24, 2021.** For more information about our charter system or SGC elections, please click [here](#).

## A Message from the Foundation:

The Foundation at Shakerag Elementary School is currently in need of a **President and Secretary** for the 2021-2022 school year. The foundation is a separate 501 (c) 3 organization formed to benefit the school through fundraising activities and community engagement. The community outreach collection of school supplies and coats for Hamilton E. Holmes Elementary School, spirit nights, teacher appreciation gift cards, business partnership program, and employee matching contributions are just a few of this year's activities. These positions are a limited time commitment with a big impact to the school. We would love to welcome you to the foundation as our President or Secretary. The Foundation at Shakerag Elementary School is also looking to expand its members. We currently have a 7-person organization. As a member at large, you would participate in meetings, approximately once a month, and volunteer if needed for any upcoming fundraiser activities hosted by the foundation. Please contact Karen James at [jamesk@fultonschools.org](mailto:jamesk@fultonschools.org) for more information.

## A Message from PTO:

### HELP!!!! We need your pictures!

This yearbook is going to be a special one, but we need your help! We would love for families to submit pictures from home by clicking here: <https://images.jostens.com/415465617>. Thank you for helping us create a memorable yearbook!

### It's Not Too Late to Order Your Yearbook!

It's not too late, but you better hurry, the yearbook order deadline is rapidly approaching! Order your 2021 Shakerag Elementary yearbook by [February 28th](#) to guarantee that your student will have a yearbook in May. Don't delay, order today at [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com).

## FCS News:

### Fulton County Technology Competition

Student registration for the Fulton County Schools Technology Fair is NOW open until February 28<sup>th</sup>. This is a 100% virtual competition. All 3<sup>rd</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade Fulton County students are invited to enter a student created Technology Project that aligns with a variety of categories including animation, digital photo production, mobile apps, robotics, video production and more! All the details can be found by clicking on this link for the [FCS Technology Fair Website](#). Please contact Mrs. Alison Francis with questions at [francis@fultonschools.org](mailto:francis@fultonschools.org).

### Attention All 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students:

Fulton County Schools has partnered with Toolbox, Inc. to offer the Young Apprentice Construction Club (YACC). YACC is a virtual program that is offered FREE to 10 students at each Fulton County elementary school. For more details on this unique experience, please click [here](#).

### Fulton County Schools COVID-19 Information Site

The FCS COVID-19 site provides updates regarding resources, cases, positive trend rates, and pediatric reports. For the latest information on COVID-19 in Fulton County, please click [here](#) to access the site.

### Fulton County Board of Health COVID-19 Reporting Site

The Fulton County Board of Health and Fulton County Schools have developed an on-line portal for FCS parents/guardians to report student COVID-19 related cases. The portal has been updated to include Spanish, Korean, and Chinese language options. FCS parent/guardians will find a dropdown at the top right for translations. **Please make a report to the FCBOH when your student is COVID-19 positive, has a pending COVID-19 test result, or has been in direct contact with a COVID-19 positive person.** Also, please use this resource for official reporting rather than alerting the school and/or teacher. If you must engage the school/teacher, please do so after you have made an official report to the FCBOH. Lastly, to ensure the protection of our school community, please **do not** allow your child to attend school or school-sponsored events when he/she is ill and/or has any of the above COVID-19 concerns. **Please click [here](#) for more details and consider posting this document in a visible location, i.e. the refrigerator, for easy access.**

[www.fultonschools.org/ReportCOVID](http://www.fultonschools.org/ReportCOVID)

**We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!**

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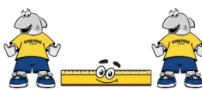
Wear Your Mask...



Wash Your Hands...



Keep Your Distance...



Sanitize...

