

Shark Bytes



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Shark Tales:

Hands on Shakerag

On behalf of Shakerag and the Shakerag PTO, we want to thank all of the volunteers that came out to Hands on Shakerag on Saturday, September 24. Students from all grades, parents, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, former students, and the Shakerag staff collected trash, picked up branches, planted flowers, and spread bales of pine straw! A special thank you to Yohmary Ortiz and Belinda Ting for organizing the event. We appreciate our Shakerag families and our wonderful students for making Shakerag a beautiful place.

Johnny's New York Style Pizza Spirit Night

A special thank you to Widad Saad and our wonderful Foundation for organizing our Spirit Night Wednesday night. We also want to thank Johnny's New York Style Pizza for their partnership with our school.

NWEA MAP Assessment for Grades 2 and 4

Students in grades 2 and 4 will take the MAP Growth Assessment in reading and math during the weeks of October 3-21. The MAP is a computer adaptive assessment that measures each student's individual learning level. MAP Growth measures what students know and what they don't know, regardless of their grade level. This helps teachers adjust their instruction for each student.

October is National Bullying Prevention Month

Fulton County Schools and The Office of Student Supports is excited to recognize October as National Bullying Prevention Month. Our District and School will be kicking off the month of October on Monday, October 3 by encouraging all staff and students to **WEAR ROYAL BLUE** and #BeKind. Please participate as we seek to educate everyone on Bullying Prevention and Awareness during the month of October. Please always remember to Be Kind, Stand Up for Others and S.H.A.R.E. See it. Hear it. And Report it Every Time.

Fifth Grade T-Shirt Design Contest

Each year, the 5th grade students are given the opportunity to submit their original artwork as a design for the class t-shirt. If you would like to submit a design for the front of the shirt, please do so by Friday, October 7. The students will then get to vote on their favorite design from the top four. All designs must be submitted to your homeroom teacher on an 8.5 x 11 sheet of white unlined paper. The design must be black and white only - no color. Please put your name on the back of the design only. If you have any questions, please email shakerag5thgrade@gmail.com.

Science Olympiad 2022-2023: 3rd – 5th Grade Students

Are you interested in joining a team of young scientist and engineers? If so, Science Olympiad would be perfect for you! [Elementary Science Olympiad](#) takes advantage of the natural curiosity of each child and allows for in-depth hands-on learning opportunities in STEM. If you think your child will be interested, click [here](#) to complete an interest form. This form is intended to check the interest of the students in the school. If there is enough interest, students who have completed the form will be notified of their next step to becoming a part of our Science Olympiad team. For more information about Science Olympiad, please click [here](#).

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

BINGO NIGHT – SAVE THE DATE!

The **SHAKERAG PTO** is excited to announce their biggest fall fundraising event of the year! Mark your calendar for this in-person Shakerag family event taking place on **October 28 (2 sessions 5:30-7:00 PM & 7:30-9:00 PM)**. We are bringing back all the elements you love about Bingo Night, from silent auction, raffle baskets to many opportunities to score some AMAZING PRIZES!

Without your support, this event cannot be successful. Please help us continue to make this year's fall fundraiser as successful as it has been in the past by donating to our raffle items. The money raised from our fall fundraisers are used to support school programs and events. Help the PTO continue to support educational endeavors for our students and connect Shakerag families through your participation. Please donate by clicking here: www.shakeragpto.org → **CLICK STORE** → **"SHAKERAG BINGO NIGHT DONATION"**. We will be accepting donations until **October 14**. You can also visit www.shakeragpto.org for more information about this event.

Also, if you have any prize-worthy items/services that can be offered as silent auction or raffle prize items (e.g. game tickets, vacation home rentals, iPad, gift cards etc.), or if you are interested in volunteering to help on Bingo Night, please email ejkim81@hotmail.com. Stay tuned for more details on how to participate in Shakerag's Bingo Night! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact PTO's Fall Fundraising Coordinator: Esther Ono ejkim81@hotmail.com or Krista Zimmerman kzimmerman73@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 by clicking [here](#) or via our school website (click [here](#)) under the 'ABOUT' drop-down menu. 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 Thursday, October 13, 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.

FCS News:

Language Assistance Services

Language Assistance Services (LAS) serves our multilingual families to ensure they know how to access information provided by the district. The parent portal is available to provide tools to better access communications sent from the district. The parent portal will include:

- Instructions on how to translate the portal into a preferred language.
- Instructions on how to use Microsoft tools to translate Word documents, PowerPoint presentation and emails.
- Use of the Microsoft Translator App.
- Instructions on how to change the preferred language on Infinite Campus.

Click [here](#) to access the LAS Parent Portal.

In the Community:

STEM NIGHT WITH THE TECHNO TITANS

All students in grades 2-5 are invited to join the Northview Techno Titans Robotics team for a fun STEM activity. It is being held on Saturday, October 8 from 4:00 to 5:30 PM at their workspace located at 10700 Abbotts Bridge Road, Suite 120. There is no fee for this, but they do request people sign-up. Each child will build a catapult and learn the science behind it. They will have some friendly competitions at the end. Please sign-up by clicking [here](#) or visit their website at www.technotitans.org for more information.

Coffee with Chris: A Conversation about Anxiety

Chris Shearer, Principal of Johns Creek High School, will be hosting a panel of guests that will be speaking about anxiety. All are welcome to join on Wednesday, November 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the JCHS Auditorium. Please click [here](#) for more information and a list of speakers.

Have a wonderful weekend!