

Shark Bytes

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Shark Tales:



We hope you all had an amazing winter break! We are so excited for second semester. Wishing the entire Shakerag community nothing but JOY and HAPPINESS in 2024!

We have a lot to celebrate! College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) Scores are in...

Prior to the break, the state of Georgia released the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) scores for all schools in Georgia for the 2022-2023 school year. Scores continue to be modified as some components are not being rated as we come out of the pandemic.

We are so proud of the hard work and effort from our staff, students, and community. Through a combined effort, our students continue to thrive. Thank you for partnering with us to ensure our students succeed! If you would like more details about our CCRPI scores, please click [here](#). Once you click on the link, type in our school's name. When the overview comes up, click on the word "elementary" next to the word "all" to get to the full data set. Way to go SHARKS!!!!

Content Mastery: 100%

Progress: 95.8%

Closing Gaps: 100%

Readiness: 95.8%

Mark Your Calendars: No school on January 15 and January 16

All staff and students will be off on **Monday, January 15** in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday and there will be no school for students on **Tuesday, January 16** for a Professional Development Day for staff.

All Fulton County Schools are transitioning to CheckMate

Fulton County Schools is transitioning to a new visitor/volunteer sign-in system. **All** volunteers will need to re-register by clicking [here](#). Once volunteers reregister, they will not have to register again until May 31, 2026. Please reregister at least 48 hours prior to your next volunteer opportunity. We hope to fully transition to the new system by Friday, January 19. We apologize for this early reset and truly appreciate your support and flexibility.

Clinic Needs

The clinic is still in need of new underwear for boys (all ages) and gently used clothing. Long sleeve shirts/sweatshirts ages 5-7 and pants ages 9-14 for the boys and girls leggings/pants ages 8-12 and long sleeve shirts/sweatshirts ages 5-12. All donations can be sent in with your child and dropped off at the clinic. We truly appreciate your support and donations.

Spotlight On Special Areas:

What's Happening in Art with Mr. Avery this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's Art Newsletter.

What's Happening in ASL with Ms. Pennywell this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's ASL Newsletter.

What's Happening in Music with Ms. Housholder (Petty) and Mr. Denney this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's Music Newsletter.

What's Happening in PE with Coach Smith this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's PE Newsletter.

A Message from the Shakerag Foundation

Chipotle Spirit Night

Come join us for Shakerag Elementary School's Spirit Night at **Chipotle (11720 Medlock Bridge Rd. Bld. 100 Suite 135 in Johns Creek) on Wednesday, January 10 between 4:00p.m. and 8:00 p.m.** To order online: use code **HJJYN4W**. To dine in: Bring in the flyer included in this week's folder, show it on your smartphone, or tell the cashier you're supporting Shakerag to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to The Foundation. Click [here](#) for the flyer and [here](#) for online ordering instructions. We are grateful for your support!

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

8th Annual Through My Eyes Art Contest

Calling all budding artists.... The Shakerag PTO is proud to sponsor our 8th annual Through My Eyes Art Contest. This year's theme is "What Beauty Do You See?". Students from kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome to participate in this interschool art contest. Students are encouraged to participate in the following categories: **Photography, Visual Art, Dance, Choreography, Film Production, Music Composition, or Creative Writing.**

The entry form and rules can be found on the entry form on the Shakerag PTO website or by clicking [here](#). The deadline for submission is **Friday, January 19, 2024**. The school-level winners will go to the cluster level and compete with entries from other participating schools such as Ocee ES, Wilson Creek ES, and Medlock Bridge ES.

All artwork should adhere to the rules specified in the entry form and will be judged on the basis of originality, interpretation of theme, creativity, and technique. For any queries or clarifications, contact Meghan B. at meghanatme2023@gmail.com

Artist Day- We need your help!

Shakerag's annual Artist Day needs your help! This year we are hoping to learn more about art and culture from our very own school family! To do this, we are looking for volunteers!

On March 29, we will be hosting an Artist and Culture Day at Shakerag. Students will have an opportunity to travel around the globe and learn about various forms of art and culture, but we need your help to do that! Do you paint, dance, sing or play a musical instrument? Would you like to showcase some art or activity from your culture? If so, we'd love to have you coordinate an activity with like-minded artists and share your talent with our students! Please reach out to the Artist and Culture Day chair Jen She at jen@fwdtalent.com if you're interested.

Yearbook Needs Your Pictures!

Please submit your 1st Day of School, Hands on Shakerag, Bingo Night, Red Ribbon Week, Community Night and upcoming Holiday Class Party pictures to this [Link](#). Don't miss out on ordering your yearbook! Click [Shakerag Elementary School PTO DULUTH, GA | Jostens](#) to order now.

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 Wednesday, January 10 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.

In the Community:

Chattahoochee High School Student Service Project

Students at Chattahoochee HS are partnering with My Journey Matters Computer Drive for a service project from 11/28/2023 – 1/31/2024. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Have a wonderful weekend!

