



# C.H. Gullatt Elementary School

## Good Habits Make Great Leaders

November 2021

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Dear Gullatt Families,

One of the most critical aspects of the school-home connection is communication between teachers and parents. Parents, please be sure that you have open lines of communication between you and your child's teachers. Communication should be ongoing with constant feedback on both ends and should follow each's own unique experiences and growth.

Teachers use a variety of modes of communication; please be sure that you have signed up for the mass communication format that your grade level uses. For example, some grade levels use PBIS Rewards, Class Dojo, Remind and See Saw. You should also have access to Infinite Campus through the Parent Portal. If you cannot access the parent portal, be sure to get in touch with the school immediately for assistance.

As the COVID rates go down, we will open the school to a limited number of parent volunteers each day. If you are interested in serving as a parent volunteer, please complete the volunteer orientation and contact Mrs. Ortiz, our Parent Liaison, at [ortizb@fultonschools.org](mailto:ortizb@fultonschools.org). You must have a driver's license or state-issued photo ID. Volunteers are needed to support students in the cafeteria, supervise recess, and help with filing papers and organizing classrooms. We are so excited to begin allowing parents back into the building.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our school. If I can ever be of service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me, [arnolds@fultonschools.org](mailto:arnolds@fultonschools.org)

## Upcoming Events



### November 2nd

Student Council Elections



### November 4th

ESOL Workshop



### November 15th

Late Start Day! 1 HR Delay! Buses run on regular schedule.



### November 18th

Grandparents Celebration

### November 15th- 19th

(Perfect Attendance Week)



Monday – **Crazy Sock Day** (Wear your favorite crazy socks)



Tuesday – **Hat Day** (Wear your favorite Hat)



Wednesday – **Ties and TUTUS** (Boys wear ties, Girls wear Tutus)



Thursday – **Tie Dye Day** (Wear your favorite tie dye apparel)



Friday – **Favorite Sports Team Day** (Wear your favorite sports team gear or colors)



### November 19th

Progress Reports Available in infinite campus



### November 22nd- 26th

Thanksgiving Break!— NO SCHOOL



**FREE At-Home COVID tests are still available each day**

**Vision:** All students will be equipped to meet the challenges of society.

**Mission:** We will prepare all stakeholders by collaborating, increasing our capacity, and creating opportunities for success.

**Core Values:** Eagle I.C.E. ~ **Integrity** (honest, trustworthy), **Collaboration** (working together), and **Equity** (providing students what they need in

# Counselor's Corner



## Make the End of Daylight Saving Time Safe for Kids

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 7. This means more children will be traveling to and from school in the dark, which puts them at greater risk of injuries from traffic accidents.

### Things you can do to help your children and others get to school and back home safely each day:

- \* Help them learn and practice this important safety rule: Be Seen to Be Safe. Let them know that during the day and at dawn and dusk, they should wear bright or fluorescent clothing.
- \* Teach them to "STOP, LOOK LEFT-RIGHT-LEFT and LISTEN" before stepping off the curb, even where there is a traffic signal.
- \* Walk with them to and from school as often as possible.
- \* Remind them to avoid "jaywalking" and crossing between parked cars. They should ALWAYS use crosswalks!
- \* Watch carefully for children who may be walking or riding their bikes.
- \* Always drive at a safe speed, especially on unlit or winding roads or when using low beams.
- \* Never pass a stopped school bus with its stop arm extended and red lights flashing.
- \* Please SLOW DOWN and drive carefully when entering the school zones and parking lots.

**#SafetyMatters**



## Parent Engagement

Congratulations to our **Parent of the Month for September, Ms. Lakeisha Champion AND our Parent of the Month for October, Ms. Erika Gamble!!** Thank you so much for ALL you do to ensure your child's success at Gullatt Elementary!!!!

### Who will be our next lucky winner?

**Please make plans to join us for the following upcoming Parent and Family Engagement Events:**

- ⇒ **Student Council Election Day, November 2 at 8:15 AM (meeting link will be posted on website)**
- ⇒ **Family Ties Workshop, November 3 at 6:00 PM (see flyer and meeting link on our website)**
- ⇒ **ESOL Workshop, November 4 at 4:00 PM**

Feel free to reach out to our Parent Liaison, Ms. Bianey Ortiz, at 470-254-9382 or [ortizb@fultonschools.org](mailto:ortizb@fultonschools.org) for questions or concerns.

Remember, school is not just for the children. Research shows children are more successful when parents are EN-GAGED and INVOLVED. We love having you on our team!

# Curriculum Corner

## Reading

Happy November! I hope all of our families are enjoying the fall weather! Parents, thank you for actively participating in your child's education. It has been wonderful to hear about parents conducting virtual conferences these past couple of weeks. Our teachers truly appreciate your support and look forward to working closely with you this year! In order to connect home and school see the list below for ways to support your child at home. We have an important assessments coming up... 3rd-5th grade students will take the Writescore Assessment this month. Please look for communication from your child's teacher.

- ✦ Understanding the relationships between written letters and spoken sounds, or phonics. Children need to be taught the sounds individual printed letters and groups of letters make. Knowing the relationships between letters and sounds helps children to recognize familiar words accurately and automatically, and "decode" new words.
- ✦ Recognizing and using individual sounds to create words, or phonemic awareness. Children need to be taught to hear sounds in words and that words are made up of the smallest parts of sound, or phonemes.
- ✦ Acquiring strategies to understand, remember and communicate what is read, or reading comprehension strategies. Children need to be taught comprehension strategies, or the steps good readers use to make sure they understand text. Students who are in control of their own reading comprehension become purposeful, active readers.

## Extended Learning & Tutoring

### November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

We are kicking off our second month of the Extended Learning program. Your child(ren) has been working hard in the areas of Reading and Math. For the month of November, our program will operate on each Tuesday and Thursday from November 2<sup>nd</sup> -November 16<sup>th</sup>. The Extended Learning program will not be held the Tuesday/Thursday before or after a holiday or extended break. Please be sure to mark your calendar. Your child will go home their normal way on these days. As a reminder, all students should be picked up by 4:45 p.m. Repeated, or an excessive, late pick-up will result in removal from the program. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

## Science/Social Studies



November is the last month of Fall. Let's discover what causes the seasons to change. The United States also holds elections this month. Who will you vote for in our Student Council Election?

# Grade Level Announcements

## Kindergarten

Happy Fall! We are well on our way into the semester and now more than ever we need your help as parents to ensure the success of your student's kindergarten year! Please assist by reviewing letters and letter sounds, reading a book to your student, reviewing numbers 0-20 and counting to 100 everyday by ones and tens!

### What we are learning:

**Math:** Composing and Decomposing Teen Numbers (11-19)

**Science/SS:** Community Helpers/ Veterans Day/Day and Night

**Reading:** Reading Informational Text and Identifying the Main Topic

**Writing:** Writing about a topic (informational)

## First

It's the season of Thanksgiving and we are thankful for you! Thank you for signing up for conferences last month and staying on top of your child's progress in school. It truly takes a team! Let's keep encouraging our students to be their best academically and socially. Check in with your child's teachers to see what supplies are needed.

Below you will see what we have in store for the month of November.

### What we are learning:

**Math:** Measurement and Time

**Science/SS:** Light and Sound

**Reading:** Informational Text

**Writing:** Informative Writing

## Second

Hello Parents, it's starting to get cooler outside. Please make sure to bundle up your child and mark their coats with their names just in case they misplace them. Students may need to replace school supplies like crayons, pencils, and markers.

If so, please send those items to school so that they are readily available when needed.

### What we are learning:

**Math:** Money/Graphing

**Science/SS:** Creek/Cherokee Indians & Early Georgia

**Reading:** Character Problem and Response

**Writing:** Opinion

## Third

Hello families,

Hello Parents, it's starting to get cooler outside. Please make sure to bundle up your child to reduce any illnesses because attendance truly does matter. Students may need to replace school supplies like crayons, pencils, and markers. If so, please send those items to school so that they are readily available when needed.

### What we are learning:

**Math:** Patterns and Tables

**Reading:** Nonfiction Text Features

**Writing:** Informational

**Science:** Rocks and Minerals

## Fourth

It's getting colder outside but the learning is heating up in 4th grade. Thank you to all the parents and students for supporting our Starbucks behavior incentive program. We are seeing a change in our behaviors for the better!!!

### What we are learning:

**Math:** Equivalent fractions

**Science:** The Solar system, Moon and Earth

**Social Studies:** A New Nation/ government

**Reading:** A Deep Analysis of Characters

**Writing:** Opinion/Persuasive writing

## Fifth

Greetings Parents/Guardians,

As we are approaching the winter season, please remind students to bring his/her devices, earbuds, pencils, and highlighters every day. Also, please check Infinite Campus, PBIS, and email weekly for updates and reminders.

### What we are learning:

**Math:** Adding & Subtracting Decimals

**Reading:** Literary Standards- Analyzing Theme & Characters

**Writing:** Opinion Writing