



Crabapple Middle School

Friday Notes

Week of Sept. 15-Sept. 19, 2008



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept. 15	Progress Reports Go Home
Sept. 17	Early Release Day
Sept. 29	Order Yearbooks in homeroom
Oct. 1-2	Experience CMS
Oct. 6	PTA Board Mtg @ 12:30pm
Oct. 10	Teacher Workday—NO SCHOOL PARENT CONFERENCE DAY
Oct. 14	Linda Schultz Community Mtg @ Mountain Park Elementary 9:30AM
Oct. 15	Early Release Day
Oct. 16	LSAC @ 7:15am—Media Center
Oct. 17	Georgia Heritage Day
Oct. 20	Beginning of Red Ribbon Week

Joining Jr. Beta

Jr. Beta is a prestigious national service organization open to all seventh and eighth graders who meet certain criteria. The seventh graders will be invited to apply at a later date for membership second semester. **Eighth graders interested in obtaining membership may apply now.** If you are currently in eighth grade & you want to join the CMS Jr. Beta please check the bulletin board outside Ms. Gaffney's classroom (room 803) to see if you qualify. If you meet the criteria pick up an application from Ms. Gaffney & return it completed no later than Friday Sept. 19th.

9th Annual Latino Youth Leadership Conference

When: Saturday, October 18, 2008; 8 am – 4 pm

Where: GA State University – Atlanta, GA

- Conference is FREE (includes breakfast & lunch!)
- Topics = education, leadership, diversity, challenges
- facing youth today, college preparation, gang prevention
- Students, Families, and Educators can interact with all major universities in metro Atlanta Educators have the opportunity to discuss & learn about various classroom topics such as bullying. Contact Hina Patel, School Counselor, if you are interested in attending.

Orchestra Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students for being selected this month's Orchestra Student of the Month. These students have shown Husky Pride by being well prepared for class, and showing responsibility, initiative and/or 'extra mile service to the group'.

6th grade.....Simran Soni

7th grade.....Laura Hnat

8th grade.....Ishmeet Tuteja

Extramural Soccer Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sept. 16	Elkins Pointe	Crabapple
Sept. 19	Haynes Bridge	Crabapple
Sept. 24	Northwestern	Crabapple
Sept. 26	Hopewell	Crabapple
Oct. 1	Sandy Springs	Sandy Springs
Oct. 3	Ridgeview	Ridgeview
Oct. 8	Fulton Science Acad.	Crabapple

* All games begin at 5:00 p.m.

Sweep Bus

A late activities bus began running Sept. 8th to accommodate students who participate in after school activities. A signed permission form, available in our front office, must be on file at the school to ride this bus. Projected departure time is 5:00pm on Mondays and 5:30pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays. There is no sweep bus on Tuesdays or Fridays. Drop off locations are printed on the back of the permission form. Normal bus routes are not run with this late bus.

Exclusion From CMS Directory

If you **do not want** your student's name, address and phone number listed in our school directory, please notify Sheila Leone @ leone@fultonschools.org by **September 30th**.

Be a Book Fair Volunteer

Do you love browsing through books at the bookstore?

We have the perfect volunteer opportunity for you! We are currently seeking volunteers to help at the CMS Book Fair, October 27th through the 31st in the Media Center. The shifts are 7:45am-10:00am, 10:00am-1:00pm or 1:00pm-4:00pm each day. If you are interested, please email Liz Azimzadeh with the day(s) and shift(s) you would like to work at azimzb@bellsouth.net. Volunteers receive a 10% discount!

Come 'Experience CMS'

We welcome parents to shadow their students on Oct. 1st and/or 2nd. Registration forms will be attached to your student's progress report that goes home Sept. 15th and will be posted on our school's website. We limit the number of parents per class to six so as to not disrupt the normal instructional routine. **NO PARENT CAN SHADOW THEIR STUDENT WITHOUT PRIOR REGISTRATION AND CONFIRMATION.**

Sept. 17

Remember, this is Early Release Day. Students will be dismissed at 12:35p.m.



Link to View Meal Menus

Visit <http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/schoolnutrition/> website to view the breakfast and lunch menus for the month. This website has valuable nutrition information for all parents. Remember, no student is allowed to 'charge' a meal in middle school.



Additional CMS News

Picture Day

Photographic Arts will be here September 17th to take our fall photos of all students and staff. These pictures will be used in the CMS 2008-2009 yearbook. The payment options packet will be sent home in the coming days.

We Can! Media Smart Youth Program at CMS Again

We are happy to announce that we will, once again, be offering the We Can! Media Smart Youth Program in collaboration with the Roswell Recreation and Parks Department, RCTV and North Fulton Regional Hospital. The focus of this program is on learning about good nutrition, physical activity and the influence of the media on our health. The students who are selected to participate in this one-of-a kind program will write and produce a public service announcement video, take a trip to the grocery store and be treated to a 'Graduation Luncheon' with the premiere of the video. This program will begin September 18th. Meetings will be on Thursday afternoons from 3:30pm until 5:30pm. See Ms. Polk for an application.

Time for Reflections

If the National PTA chooses your Reflections idea for 2010/2011, you will \$100 dollars!

Some of the past themes were: I can make a difference by..., A different kind of hero, Imagine That, From Liberty's View and Signs of Courage. The site to see past entries that were selected is: <http://www.capta.org/sections/programs/downloads/past-reflections-themes.pdf>. Print this form to make submissions. Copies of this form are available in the front office: http://www.georgiapta.org/documents/Reflections_Theme_Search_Form.pdf. Submit your ideas no later than **October 1st** by bringing them to the office marked "Reflections Ideas" **OR** email them directly to Machelde Loudon at maloudon@comcast.net. **This years' theme is "WOW!"** It's never too early to start this years' Reflections project! Please start thinking about what makes you think "WOW" and enter your creative masterpiece in the following categories: literature, photography, visual art, dance and film/video, and music.

Roswell High Football Games ~ From Dr. Spurka, Principal

We are fortunate for the support we consistently receive from our community and the passion our city has for football. The high school always has its administration and two school resource officers providing supervision, however; we will need your assistance to ensure all students are properly supervised. **We are requiring that all middle school students attend the games under parental supervision.** Students must enter the stadium with a parent or guardian at the two home side gates. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Officer Nicole Wright or Office Sean Alexander at Roswell High School, (770) 552-4500. Thank you for your support and your positive relationship with your high school.

Partnership Perks

We would like to acknowledge Staples, Office Max and Dominio's Pizza for their generous donations to our successful 'Welcome Back Party' last month.

If you own a business and would like to join our team of business partners, contact Dana Pearson for more information at 770-552-4520 ext. 136 or email pearsond@fultonschools.org. We love to work with parents as business partners!