



Crabapple Middle School Friday Notes

Week of March 8 – March 12, 2010

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Mar. 11 Spring Open House—school tours Available
- Mar. 12 NO SCHOOL
- Mar. 16 3rd quarter report cards distributed
- Mar. 16 Linda Schultz Community Meeting
- Mar. 16 PTA Parent Seminar @ 7:00pm
- Mar. 18 LSAC—Media Center @ 7:15am
- Mar. 19 Spring Picture Day
- Mar. 24 Early Release Day—students released @ 12:35pm
- Mar. 24-27 8th grade Washington trip

CRCT Language Arts Help Sessions

The Language Arts Department will be holding special review help sessions prior to the CRCT. All students are encouraged to attend. The help sessions will be held from 3:45 – 4:30 PM. The session dates for each grade level are as follows:

6th Grade: (Monday afternoon)

- 3/08– Predicates/Parts of the sentence– Cox
- 3/15– Quotation Marks– Lewis
- 3/22 –Hooking the Reader - Claeys

7th grade: (Thursday afternoon)

- 3/11 - Sentence Structure – Wade
- 3/18 - Verb Tenses – Isbell
- 3/25 - Pronoun-Antecedent Agreement – M. Ellis
- 4/01 - Extraneous Details/ Redundancy – Boayue

8th Grade: (Monday for Connors; Tuesday for Braddock/Cornett)

- 3/9 –Adverb/Relative Clauses – Cornett
- 3/16 –Punctuation, Capitalization, Grammar – Braddock

Orchestra Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following Students of the Month in Orchestra. They have shown Husky Pride in being well prepared for class and showing responsibility, initiative and/or ‘extra mile service to the group’.

- 6th *Tobie Chang and Darby Hulse*
- 7th *Javon Brown*
- 8th *Marie Brackenbury*

We would like to also congratulate the Orchestra students for their Superior Rating gained at the Large Group Performance Evaluation. Way to go!

PTA Parent Seminar Coming

Parents are invited to hear Jeff Inman, Cobb County Schools’ Prevention/Intervention Center Coordinator, on Tuesday, March 16th from 7:00pm-8:30pm speak about how the cultural trends of today impact children. This will include cell phone use and etiquette, social networks, texting, sexting, blogging, cyberbullying and the use of alcohol and other drugs. This program is for adults only. For more information, contact Deb Cartsens at 770-642-0798.

Retirement News from Roswell North Elementary

Acclaimed and esteemed music teacher Mr. Doug Martin announces retirement at the end of 2010 school year. Mr. Martin will be honored by students, teachers, staff, parents and the community during his final concert series “Mikado” on: Friday, March 19th @ 7:30pm, Saturday, March 20th @ 7:30pm, and Sunday, March 21st @ 2:00pm. Please plan to attend this celebration of leadership and education. Ticket information will be posted at: <http://www.fultonschools.org/School/RoswellNorth/> or contact Kari Albers at karialbers@charter.net.

National School Breakfast Week

National School Breakfast Week (NSBW) was launched in 1989 to raise awareness of the availability of the School Breakfast Program (SBP) to all children. This year, March 8th through March 12th is National School Breakfast Week. Each year, the School Nutrition Association (SNA) helps schools to celebrate NSBW with a fun theme – this year it is School Breakfast Ready Set Go! According to [SNA](http://www.sna.org), numerous studies have shown that breakfast can improve a student’s memory, test scores, school attendance and cut down on visits to the school nurse. Research has also shown that children who eat breakfast every day have a higher intake of vitamins and minerals and maintain a healthier weight than those who skip breakfast. Our cafeteria offers a delicious assortment of breakfast items such as grits, cereal, fruit, yogurt, chicken and sausage biscuits.

No School March 12th

CMS Lunch Information: Parents, please visit <http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/schoolnutrition/> for breakfast and lunch menus and pricing. Remember, no student at CMS is allowed to 'charge' a meal. Beginning January 5th, Fulton County will be offering MealpayPlus, an online prepayment system for buying school meals. Use this system to:

*make payments using a credit card or debit card

*check account balances online on their website(www.mealpayplus.com) or via phone (1-866-243-9535)

*auto-pay your student's account when it reaches a low balance

Simply visit their website and follow the on-screen instructions to create an account. Add your student using their Student ID number. Contact the front office for that number.

Other School News

North Springs Charter High School Parent Tours

Parents and students are invited to attend a tour of North Springs Charter High School to see what they have to offer, including core academic programs, the advanced placement program, the TAG program, magnet programs, career technology programs and extracurricular activities will be discussed. Tours are: Mar. 11 @ 9:00am, Mar. 31 @ 1:00pm and April 1 @ 9:00am. To reserve a spot on a tour and be placed in an appropriate interest group, please contact Public Relations Liaison, Carol Ciepluch at ciepluchc@fultonschools.org.

Be Counted in 2010

The City of Roswell would like to emphasize the importance that every citizen be counted on April 1st by the US Census Bureau. Counting each person is one of the largest operations the federal government undertakes. An accurate count will directly affect the quality of life in our community. Census information determines funding for Title 1 programs, special education, college grants, loan programs, public transportation and community improvements. For more information, visit the www.roswellgov.com or the US Census Bureau at www.2010census.gov/schools/.

If Your Work for Verizon...

Verizon will pay a school \$750 for each employee who volunteers at a school for at least 50 hours a year. This would include chaperoning a fieldtrip, volunteering in the front office or media center or working from home on a school related project. Please contact Dana Pearson at 770)552-4520 ext. 136 if you qualify.

Fulton County Parent Perception Survey

The Fulton County School System invites you to spend a few minutes giving your input during its annual Parent Perception Survey. The survey runs from March 1 through April 2, and the answers you provide will be used for school improvement planning. A perception survey measures how you feel about different aspects of your child's overall education in Fulton County, rather than gathering information about individual teachers or your school's performance. Please be assured that your identity and that of your child cannot and will not be shared with any school official. The survey will be available online at www.fultonschools.org. If you prefer to fill out a paper survey, copies will be available in the front office. Surveys in Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, and Chinese are also available at the school. Your answers will be combined with those of other parents and shared with teachers and the principal for school improvement planning. Your identity and that of your child will remain confidential. If you have questions about the survey, please call the Assessment and Accountability Division at 404-763-4598. Thank you for your feedback.

Partnership Perks

We would like to thank Cakes by Darcy, Photographic Arts and Laura Dover, owner of the Sophisticated Sardine, for their contributions to our first Annual evening Jr. Beta Induction Ceremony. This event was enjoyed by staff, new members and parents.