



Crabapple Middle School Friday Notes

Week of Sept. 7-Sept. 11, 2009

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept. 7	Labor Day Holiday— NO SCHOOL
Sept 8	Math Night for 7th grade 6:30-8:00pm
Sept 9	Math Night for 8th grade 6:30-8:00pm
Sept 10	Math Night for 6th grade 6:30-8:00pm
Sept. 14	Interim Progress Reports distributed
Sept. 15	Linda Schultz Community Meeting at Crabapple MS Media Center—9:00am
Sept. 16	Early Release Day—students dismissed at 12:35pm

Parent Math Nights

Parents, please join us for an evening of math investigation as we explore the math curriculum and resources. Parents will have the opportunity to experience, first-hand, the instructional delivery of the math curriculum and ask questions regarding expectations and implementation. The meetings are as follows and are from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

Sept. 8	Math Night for 7th Grade in Room 304
Sept. 9	Math Night for 8th Grade in Room 905
Sept. 10	Math Night for 6th Grade in Rooms 405-407

10-day Count Reduction in Teacher Allocation

For the first time in my tenure as the principal of Crabapple Middle, we have not made our projections for student enrollment. Each year the district takes a 10-day count of student enrollment to gather information regarding schools experiencing growth and those who may be under projection. We are under projection and as a result of this we lost a teacher. This is always a difficult process and we appreciate our parents' understanding and support. The position lost is the Advanced Reading position. The students enrolled in Advanced Reading will be scheduled for a World Language, if eligible, or remain in a Reading Class. The eligible 6th and 7th grade students will be given a choice of languages (French or Spanish) and we will do all we can to honor that preference. Our 8th grade Advanced Reading students will be moved into Latin 8 classes beginning after Labor Day. We know that the timing is a challenge but we are making these changes to coincide with the 4 ½ grading period so that the students can close out their reading grades and start fresh with the new 4 ½ week period of first quarter. Thank you for all you do to support us in our delivery of quality educational experiences for your students. We are very fortunate to be in such a wonderful community that is dedicated to the education of all our students.

Extramural Soccer Schedule

Sept. 17th vs. Elkins Point MS at Crabapple MS
Sept. 23rd vs. Northwestern MS @ NWMS
Sept. 25th vs. Hopewell MS @ HMS
Sept. 30th vs. Sandy Springs MS @ Crabapple MS
Oct. 2nd vs. Ridgeview MS @ Crabapple MS
Oct. 7th vs. Fulton Science Academy @ Crabapple MS
Oct. 8th v. Haynes Bridge MS @ HBMS

***ALL GAMES BEGIN AT 5:00PM**

Picture Day

Photographic Arts will be here September 16th to take our fall photos of all students and staff. These pictures will be used in the CMS 2009-2010 yearbook. The payment options packet will be sent home in the coming days.

Procedures for Checking Out Students

When checking your student out during a school day, please **send a note** with your student. Students should take their check-out note to the front office in the morning. Parents should always **bring identification** with them when checking students out of school. In addition, when your child is **absent from school**, please submit an **excuse note** to the front office within two days of the absence.

Sally Foster 'Wrap Up'

All Sally Foster orders are due Friday, Sept. 4th. If students forget their orders, sell over the weekend and bring all orders back on Tuesday! If you choose not to take part in this fundraiser, a donation to the PTA is much appreciated.

Flu Virus Information

On Friday, September 4th, every student was given an information sheet regarding flu and flu-like virus preparedness. It is important you read this document so we can all work together to do everything we can to keep our school functioning as usual.

8th Grade Washington Trip

We now have about 75 students who have paid their deposit and are on the list to go on this great trip. The information letter can be found on the school's website. A non-refundable payment of \$50.00 to secure a spot for your student is due to the front office by October 1st. There are limited seats available, so don't delay.

CMS Lunch Information

Parents, please visit <http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/schoolnutrition/index.asp> for breakfast and lunch menus and pricing. Remember, no student at CMS is allowed to 'charge' a meal.

Other School News

Media Smart Youth Program

6th, 7th, & 8th Graders ~ Are you looking for something different, exciting and unique? Then join the BIG PRODUCTION!! Our TV production team needs you! Be part of making a fitness and nutrition video. This 12 week program will teach you important information about the complex media world, health, nutrition, and physical activity. You will help create, write and produce a TV production while engaging in action and snack breaks. In collaboration with Crabapple Middle School, Roswell Recreation & Parks Department, will be implementing Media Smart Youth as part of the ***We Can! Curricula*** at Crabapple Middle School beginning Thursdays, Sept. 17th - Dec 10th from 3:50—5:30pm. At the end of the program we will host a BIG PRODUCTION event for everyone to view! SIGN UP NOW with Ms. Polk!

RHS Volleyball Play Date

All students, fourth through eighth grade, are invited to join the fun at the Roswell High School Gym on Friday, September 11th from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Play 'Queen of the Court', learn new drills and play lots of volleyball with RHS players and coaches. Pizza, drinks and dessert will be provided. The cost is \$25.00. RSVP by Sept. 8th to kirkn@fultonschools.org.

Roswell Youth Lacrosse Association News

The Roswell Youth Lacrosse Association (RYLA) is pleased to announce that Roswell has been selected as a location to host the US Lacrosse National Men's Team clinic. This is an excellent opportunity to learn from the best players in the United States. This clinic will be held September 12th. Visit www.uslacrosse.org for registration information.

Partnership Perks!

Many thanks to Laura Dover, owner of The Sophisticated Sardine, for catering a school function. Please visit her website at www.sophisticatedsardine.com to see all her company has to offer.