



# Crabapple Middle School

## Friday Notes

Week of Aug. 20-Aug. 24, 2007



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Aug. 20	PTA Board Meeting @ 12:30pm
Aug. 21	6th - New Student Breakfast, 8:35 a.m.
Aug. 22	7th - New Student Breakfast, 8:35 a.m.
Aug. 23	8th—New Student Breakfast, 8:35a.m.
Aug. 23	Welcome Back Party 4:00-5:30
Aug. 24	New Parent Coffee @ 9:00a.m.
Aug. 28	Curriculum Night - 7th/8th 7:00 p.m.
Aug. 30	Curriculum Night- 6th 7:00 p.m. PTA Meeting

### MARQUE SU CALENDARIO

20 de agosto	Reunion del Board de PTA a las 12:30p.m.
21 de agosto	Sexto ano- Desayuno para los alumnos nuevos a la escuela, 8:35 a.m
22 de agosto	Septimos ano- Desayuno para los alumnos nuevos a la escuela, 8:35 a.m
23 de agosto	octavo anos, desayuno para los alumnos nuevos, 8:35 a.m
24 de agosto	Café para los apoderados nuevos a la escuela. 9:15 a.m , en la biblioteca
28 de agosto	noche de informacion del Curriculo Septimo y octavo grado a las 7:00p.m.
30 de agosto	Noche de informacion del Curriculo Sexto grado a las 7:00p.m; Reunion del PTA

### Back to School Party

The CMS PTA is sponsoring our 2nd annual Back to School Party Thursday, August 23rd from 4:00pm until 5:30pm. The fun-filled afternoon will include a disc jockey, games, popcorn and drinks, all for the admission price of just \$3.00. Pizza will be sold for \$1/slice. Permission slips go home Aug. 17th and are mandatory for admission. There will be no after school sweep bus available. No students will be allowed to call home the day of the party to secure this required permission slip.

### First Day Packet Information

All students were given a 'First Day Packet' to take home, with the following documents: Student Accident Insurance Plan, Bus Safety Rules, a Fulton County School Calendar, Free and Reduced Meal Application, Medical Authorization Forms, an Internet Permission Form, and a Middle School Code of Conduct & Discipline Handbook. Please be sure and ask your student for these important documents. Our front office has extra copies of all documents.

### 'Husky Hut' Open Each Morning

The school's 'Husky Hut' school store is open every morning from 8:00am until 8:25am in case any student needs to purchase school supplies. The Hut carries pens, pencils, folders, paper, posterboard and other miscellaneous school supplies.



## New Parent Coffee!

**Friday  
August 24, 2007  
Media Center  
9:00 a.m.**

All parents with students new to Crabapple Middle School ~ Please come on August 24th to meet our administrators, counselors, PTA representatives and other new parents. Learn about our school and ask questions.

### Affidavit of Residence Forms

Starting this school year, parents/guardians of all students **MUST** submit a notarized Affidavit of Residence form certifying that the family resides in Fulton County at the address given to the school. When completing this form, the family must provide two documents, such as a current bank statement or utility bill, a paycheck stub, an apartment lease or a copy of a home contract. A driver's license is not acceptable as proof of residency. The school has a notary available Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00am until noon. Anyone with signed a waiver has 30 days to provide the school with this document. The affidavit can be downloaded from the Fulton County website, [www.fultonschools.org](http://www.fultonschools.org).

### Sally Foster Fundraiser Has Begun

Each student received a Sally Foster packet on Friday with gift product and magazine sales information. While raising important funds for our PTA benefiting CMS, your student can earn chances to win a Nintendo Wii and/or be guaranteed a \$50 gift certificate. What a win-win situation! You can even place an order via the internet. This event ends September 7th, so don't delay. Contact Julia Eshpeter at 678-921-4053 or Terry Heard at 770-587-2971 if you have any questions. Thanks for your support!

# CMS Lunch Menu

<b>Monday</b>	Beef Vegetable Soup, Grill Cheese Sandwich, Chicken Tenders, Beef Enchilada, Deli Sandwich, Various Salad Plates
<b>Tuesday</b>	Roasted Turkey, Cheese Pizza, Taco, Deli Sandwich, Various Salad Plates
<b>Wednesday</b>	Meatloaf, Pizzas, Nachos Grande, Deli Sandwich, Various Salad Plates
<b>Thursday</b>	Oven Fried Chicken, Cheeseburger, Pepperoni Pizza, Deli Sandwich, Various Salad Plates
<b>Friday</b>	Fish Tenders, Grilled Chicken Sandwich, Gordita, Deli Sandwich, Various Salad Plates

## NO STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO 'CHARGE' A LUNCH

### NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS OF THE SCREENING AND REFERRAL PROCESS FOR GIFTED SERVICES

The Fulton County School System screens students for eligibility for gifted services twice a year.

- I. Automatic Screening-** At the beginning of the school year, TAG teachers review previous year's test scores.
  - Standardized Tests**  
Students must have a minimum of an 85<sup>th</sup> percentile and a 90<sup>th</sup> percentile in two of the three areas: Total Reading, Total Math, and Complete Battery
  - Criterion-Referenced Competency Test**  
Students must score in the top 20 percent on the reading or mathematics section when compared to all other students in the system
  - Grades (high school only)**  
Students must have an overall cumulative average of 95 or greater
- II. Classroom Screening-** Local schools select a two-week period from January 7 -February 29, 2008, to review **all** students in their school. Classroom teachers use the *Characteristics Instrument for Screening Students* (CISS) to identify students with superior abilities in five or more of the following areas: motivation, interests, communications skills, problem-solving abilities, memory, inquiry, insight, reasoning, creativity, and humor. Parents may request to view their child's screening results.

Students who meet either the automatic screening OR classroom screening criteria AND who have supporting data gathered from test history, products, and/or advanced content levels are **referred** for gifted placement testing. Once referred to testing:

- Parents receive the *Parent Notification for Testing Consent Form*.
- Student is tested for the gifted program.
- Parents receive test results.

If state eligibility is determined, students are placed in the TAG program.

For more complete information regarding Fulton County Schools Gifted Services, please visit <http://www.fulton.k12.ga.us/DEPT/curriculum/TAG/index.htm>, contact the teacher of gifted students at your school, or call 404-763-6811.

### Local School Advisory Council News

The CMS Local School Advisory Council has an opening for a parent to serve as a parent member on this council. This council provides advice and recommendations to the principal relating to student achievement and school improvement. Any parent interested in having their name placed on the ballot should submit a letter of interest to the school principal, Dr. Kimothy Jarrett. Please submit your letter of interest no later than August 27th. Elections will be held August 30th.

### Partnership Perks

CMS would like to thank our wonderful business partners for 'stepping right in' to help us this new school year. Mario's Pizzeria, Nirvana, Outback Steakhouse, The Sophisticated Sardine Catering Company and Fidelity Bank donated various items to help start the school year off right.

If you are interested in being a business partner with CMS, contact Dana Pearson, Partners In Education Coordinator, for more information at 770-552-4520 ext. 136 or email [pearsond@fultonschools.org](mailto:pearsond@fultonschools.org).