



Crabapple Middle School Friday Notes

Week of Sept. 3—Sept. 7 2007
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept. 3	Labor Day Holiday—No School
Sept. 17	Progress Reports Distributed
Sept. 18	Soccer vs. Elkins Pointe MS @ CMS; 5:00pm
Sept. 19	Fall Pictures
Sept. 19	Learning Matters Day-Early Dismissal

MARQUE SU CALENDARIO

3 de septiembre:	Feriado- Labor Day no hay escuela
17 de septiembre:	Calificaciones de progreso distribuidas
18 de septiembre:	Futbol contra Elkins PointeMS en CMS a las 5:00 pm
19 de septiembre:	fotografias de otono
19 de septiembre:	Los estudiantes van a casa mas temprano que lo usual

Parent Math Nights

Parents, please join us for an evening of math investigation as we explore our new math standards and resources. Parents will have the opportunity to experience, first-hand, the instructional delivery of the GPS Standards and ask questions regarding expectations and implementation. Dates are as follows: Sept. 24th ~ 6th grade
Sept. 26th ~ 7th grade
Oct. 1st ~ 8th grade

Sally Foster Fundraiser 'Wrapping Up'

Each student received a Sally Foster packet 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. This fundraiser ends Sept. 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!

Clinic Update:

It is only necessary to send in a Medication Authorization Form if you wish to keep medication in the clinic for your child. If you send a form to the school, you must also send in the medication indicated on the form. The form must indicate the exact medication to be given, dosage and have a parent signature and date. Please remember to notify the school of any changes to your emergency contact information.

CRCT Scores In Front Office

Parents of 7th and 8th grade students can pick up your child's Spring CRCT scores in the front office, if you have not already done so.

COACH'S CORNER

Mimi Gamel



Dear Parents,
It was a pleasure meeting you on Curriculum Night. I want to take this opportunity to share two things with you. First, my mission for this academic year is to ensure successful transition of all students from elementary to middle and from middle to high school. Second, my roles and responsibilities are to provide a comprehensive prevention and intervention program for students at risk of grade retention and/or dropping out. The Graduation Team and I are looking forward to a wonderful and successful year. Every Friday look for the Coach's Corner for 'Success in School' tips and stats.

Remember: *It is easier to build up a child than it is to mend an adult.*

Joining Jr. Beta

Jr. Beta is a prestigious national service organization open to all 7th and 8th graders who meet certain criteria. The 7th graders will be invited to apply for membership in December. Eighth graders interested in obtaining membership may apply now. If you are currently in 8th grade and 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 and return it completed no later than Friday Sept. 14th.

Mentors Needed!

We are still in need of mentors for our MATHLETES Mentoring Program. Mentors have a weekly influence in skills-building in basic math. **Please consider volunteering!** Mentors meet with students every Wednesday morning from 8:40am until 9:20am. Teachers provide you with prepared folders on specific math deficits and CRCT workbooks. Our school goal is to close the achievement gap and help all students reach Level 2 in math. Please come aboard! Contact Pat Bartee at 770-552-4520, ext. 129 or email, as soon as possible.

Parents Can View Bus Transportation Website

Parents can now view school bus change information and bus delays via the Internet. Begin at the Fulton County School's homepage, www.fultonschools.org/index.asp, then click the 'School Bus Information' button on the left navigation bar. Click the 'School Bus Delays/Changes' button on the bottom right of the page, then select the school and, from the drop-down box, click the 'Submit' button.

CMS Lunch Menu

Monday	NO SCHOOL
Tuesday	Chili with Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Chicken Nuggets, Pizza, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Wednesday	BBQ Chicken, Corndog, Nachos Grande, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Thursday	Oven Fried Chicken, Chicken Rings, Beef Enchilada, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Friday	Shrimp Poppers, Hamburger, Pizza, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates

NO STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO 'CHARGE' A LUNCH

Our cafeteria now offers a fresh-made deli sandwich on a daily basis for the same cost of a regular meal.

Parent Connect Update

The technology department is pleased to announce that Parent Connect is undergoing a much needed upgrade. With this upgrade, you can expect a new and improved alert system, one account for all of your children no matter what school or grade they attend in Fulton County and a more user-friendly interface. Due to this upgrade, the system will be inaccessible until further notice. We understand this may cause an inconvenience, but we ask that you be patient until it is up and running. If you have any questions, contact our technology specialist, Torey Bradley at bradleyt1@fultonschools.org.

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. Meetings will be on Thursday afternoons from 3:30pm until 5:30pm. See Ms. Polk for an application.

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.

Sweep Bus Begins September 5th

A late activities bus will begin running Sept. 5th to accommodate students who participate in after school activities and live in south Fulton County. A signed permission form, available in our front office, must be on file at the school to ride this bus. Projected departure time is 5:10pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays with designated drop off locations. Drop off locations are printed on the back of the permission form.

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 as soon as possible. Elections will be held August 30th.

Partnership Perks

CMS would like to thank Mario's Pizzeria their generosity towards our staff during the Curriculum Nights. A huge thank you to Fidelity Bank for supporting our Curriculum Nights with their table of cookies and water.

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.

A special thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers who helped copy and collate in preparation of Curriculum Nights. Your help with this project was appreciated by all!