

Simpson Middle School Newsletter

Dear Simpson Eagle Families,

We are off to a great start! Our first couple of days were incredible! It was great to see all of the beautiful young faces in the building. The admin team had the opportunity to walk to several classes and the teachers and the students were all having a great time. No doubt this is going to be a fantastic year!

Thank you for your continued support. Please read the information to follow carefully as we have lots of updates and important information.

Sincerely,

Dr. LaEla Mitchell

Principal, Simpson Middle School

Don't forget to order your
2023 - 2024 Yearbook

www.yearbookordercenter.com School Order Number: 640

Early Bird Pricing \$35 until 9/30

Upcoming Events

8/9 - 6th grade Music Instrument
Test Drive 5:30p-7:30p

8/17 - Open House

8/21 - Asynchronous Learning Day
(Students work at home in CTLS)

9/4 - Labor Day Holiday - No School

Positive Behavior Rewards

This year our school will be using an electronic behavior management system called PBIS Rewards to help us recognize students for their positive behavior. Although we are not a PBIS school, this program is a technology based positive behavior management system that is perfect for helping us track and reward students for doing the right thing! You can learn all about the PBIS Rewards platform at their website (www.pbisrewards.com).

Our behavior expectations are outlined using the acronym **SOAR**. When students meet these expectations throughout the day, they are rewarded with electronic points they can redeem for privileges, tangible items, access to events, and other cool things. Our expectation is that we will see overall behavior improve throughout the school and that the number of administrative referrals will decrease. Parents will receive more information via CTLS Parent, but in the meantime, ask your child to log in via Clever to show you the points they have earned already!

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SUCCESSFUL:	Be intentional in reaching your goals
OPTIMISTIC:	Demonstrate a growth mindset & flexibility in new ideas
AWARE:	Keep Safety First & Be conscious of your surroundings
RESPONSIBLE:	Be kind to everyone and everything, including yourself!



There are always some delays with buses on the first couple days of school, so we thank you for your patience as district wide transportation schedules are normed. [Click here](#) to find your child's bus, as well as their pickup and drop off times. Please remember to be at the bus stop 5 minutes early for student safety.



Our school has many needs that are not covered by the CCSD budget. Simpson Foundation helps fund these needs to enhance your children's educational experience. We rely on your generosity to be able to do so - please invest in your children's education today by donating at simpsonfoundation.net.



The Family Information Guide and Student Code of Conduct are available on the District website. The Receipt of Family Information Guide is available to parents through ParentVUE as part of the Student Information portal.

Important Reminders

Community involvement is a key component for the continued success of our students at Simpson Middle School and we invite all stakeholders to be a part of our school community. That being said, we hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities available to you.

Our **Simpson PTSA** is already gearing up to welcome families and offer other exciting events and programs for our teachers and students. Please reach out to the front office or check the Simpson PTSA site for news, events, and the opportunity to donate & join: [Simpson PTSA Website](#)

Invest in your child's education today! Donate to the **Simpson Eagles Educational Foundation!** The Simpson Eagles Educational Foundation (SEEF) funds the educational needs of our students and staff at Simpson that are not covered by the current Cobb County School District budget. They rely on the generosity of our families for majority of their funding - thank you for supporting the Foundation and our school! To donate, go to simpsonfoundation.net. 100% of EVERY dollar invested goes directly to Simpson's students and teachers through various educational and technology initiatives made possible by your generosity.

We have seen unmatched student progress with the implementation of programs such as **Membean**, **MI Write**, and **Progress Learning** (formerly USA TestPrep). However, these programs are costly, and we could use your donations to continue use of these resources. Cash, check, money orders or online payments are now being accepted for donations of **\$25.00** to help offset the cost of your student's online program access to these programs. Online payments can be made via MyPaymentsPlus at www.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome. The activity can be found in the Events and Activities option on the dashboard. If desired, families can also help cover the cost of the programs with donations for additional students.

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Meal Price and Family Meal Application Information for SY 2023-2024

As students return to learning in August, meals will no longer be provided at no charge to all students. For full details about the CCSD Food and Nutrition Services Program including information about our menus, please visit our [Food and Nutrition Services](#) website.

BREAKFAST		LUNCH	
Student All Levels - Full Pay	\$2.50	Middle and High Student - Full Pay	\$3.50

- To save time when coming through the serving line, you can add funds to your cafeteria account with a major credit card by telephone (1-866-535-1707), through the internet on [MyPaymentsPlus.com](https://www.mypaymentsplus.com) or via the MyPaymentsPlus app.
- Families eligible for free or reduced-price meals must complete an application to receive them – all other students must pay full price for their meals.
- The Online Family Meal Application can be found on the FNS on [Family Meal Application Information](#) webpage.

What's on the menu? Check out the breakfast and lunch menus for the first semester [here](#).

New School Start Time This Year: Doors Open at 8:15am for Student Arrival

8:15am - Study Hall

8:40am - Breakfast

8:50am - Homeroom Starts

9:10am - TARDY BELL

4:00pm - Last Checkout

4:15pm - Dismissal

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Earning money for Simpson can't be any easier.

1. Simply sign up for a [Publix.com account](#) (if you don't already have one),
2. Select **My Publix Partner** tab and choose **Simpson Middle School**. (My Publix Partner tab can be found in the gray task bar in middle of page; use the arrow key to move to the right to find My Publix Partner.)
3. Enter your phone number each time you are at checkout into the credit card machine.

YOU will be helping earn free money for Simpson to be used towards programs at the school. Sign up today 😊!

Support SIMPSON through [Kroger Community Rewards](#) program



Link your Kroger Plus card to Simpson and use it every time you shop! (Your Kroger Plus Card must be linked to Simpson Middle School each year.)

1. Sign up for a [Kroger Online](#) account (if you don't already have one) or sign-in to your [Kroger Online](#) account.
2. Click the **My Account** tab under the Sign-In icon
3. Select **Community Rewards** tab and choose **Simpson Middle School (#78733)** and link your Kroger Plus Card to your account.
4. Present your Kroger Plus Card or type Alternate Kroger ID (phone number) at checkout ... it is that easy!

Kroger gives money back to the school to be used for INSTRUCTIONAL purposes ... this benefits everyone at Simpson!



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