

Simpson Middle School Newsletter

Dear Simpson Eagle Families,

Can you believe we have already started into our 3rd week of school?! It's amazing how quickly time flies when you are having fun! We have established some great routines and we are looking forward to what this school year will bring. Please continue to have conversations with your students about what they are doing in school each day. As we move forward with instruction, students should be practicing regular study habits to increase their understanding of the content. So be sure to have them log into CTLS regularly and you can also check their progress in ParentVue. If you have any questions or concerns, we are happy to help!

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

8/17 - Open House - 5:45pm

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

9/4 - Labor Day Holiday - No School



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AMAZING AUGUST EAGLES

Teacher of the Month: Kristine Schwartz
Staff Member of the Month: Nurse Laurie Bartlow

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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.



Early Check-outs - If your child will be checking out early, please send in a note with them and include the time they will be picked up and why they are leaving early. Tell them to turn the note into the office before Homeroom and we will give them a pass to come up at the check-out time. **Absence Notes** – See the attachment for Absence Note Protocols.



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

OPEN HOUSE 2023 - Don't forget to come to Open House this Thursday evening from 5:45 - 7:45pm

Our Open House is designed to give you a quick peek into the daily routines of your middle school student. Teachers have prepared brief presentations for each of their classes and time will be provided for families to transition to all seven of their student's classes. However, because cell service is limited in the building, we ask that families write down or take a picture of student schedules prior to arriving so you will know which classes to attend at the times provided. Also, although teachers will have a minute or two at the end of their presentation for questions, we ask that if you have questions regarding your specific student, please reach out to the teacher via CTLs Parent to make arrangements for an individual conference in the upcoming weeks.

Simpson PTSA Announcements:

See the newsletter attachments for this week's PTSA Announcements

Simpson Eagles Educational Foundation - SEEF

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.

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2023 STEM Day at Georgia Piedmont Technical College / August 26 from 8:30-12:00
\$5 Registration – click on the link for more information: [STEM Day Registration](#)

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. Ask your child to log in via Clever to show you the points they have earned already!

**Thank you to everyone for your generous donations to our school store and game room!!
Pictures coming soon!**

Upcoming PTSA Spirit Nights

SIMPSON
Middle School
Spirit Night

Flashback Games
Thursday, Aug. 31st
5:00pm-9:00pm

2800 Canton Rd.
Suite 1600

Cost \$10.99 per person

Mention Simpson Middle and a portion of the
proceeds go back to the school



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