

## 10/18 Addison Gator Weekly

### Message from Dr. Moll

Hello, Gator Families!

Thank you to all of our families who took the time to meet with teachers during conference week! We truly value your partnership and the important role you play in your child's success. The work we do at school is even more meaningful when it is reinforced and supported at home. Working together makes such a difference in helping every child grow, learn, and succeed!

Speaking of partnerships, we're listening! Based on feedback from our parents, we're making a few changes to help keep you informed and make school information easier to find:

- **Sunday Newsletter:** Our *Gator Weekly* will now arrive on **Sundays at 5:00 PM** so it doesn't get lost among Friday's communications.
- **CTLS Calendar:** We've added school events to the CTLS calendar to help you keep track of all the Gator fun!
- **Easy Newsletter Access:** Each week's *Gator Weekly* will also be posted on our school **website under the About tab**, making it easy to find and reference information whenever you need it.

Thank you for sharing your ideas and helping us continue to make Addison even better! Your feedback matters, and we appreciate the opportunity to put your suggestions into action.

We have so many exciting things happening at Addison in the coming weeks! Please take a few minutes to read through this week's newsletter so you don't miss the wonderful opportunities to celebrate, connect, and support our school community.

Thank you for being such an important part of what makes Addison special!

Dr. Chris Moll  
Principal



### Calling All Veterans!

We are excited to invite our Addison veterans to a special **Veterans Day Breakfast on Wednesday, November 11, from 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the cafeteria!** We look forward to honoring our veterans for their service and sacrifice with a meaningful morning featuring a PTA-sponsored breakfast, a presentation of the colors by Sprayberry ROTC, student performances, and a special slideshow celebrating our Addison veterans.

#### Help us make this celebration special!

- **Share a photo:** If you would like your veteran included in our slideshow, please email a photo of them in uniform along with their name and the branch they served, and how they are related to our Addison family at [Jennifer.Powers@cobbk12.org](mailto:Jennifer.Powers@cobbk12.org). Please pass this message on to any Addison Elementary Alumni so we can include our former students as well.
- **RSVP by Nov. 6:** To help us prepare, [click here to RSVP for Breakfast with a Veteran](#). **We kindly ask that attendance be limited to veterans and their Addison Elementary student(s).**

We can't wait to see our Gators proudly celebrating the special veterans in their lives!   

## **Thanks for Giving Food Drive!**

Addison is proud to participate in the **40th Annual Thanks for Giving Food Drive!** Now through **November 13**, we're collecting nonperishable food items to support 1,000 Cobb County children and families facing food insecurity through the Center for Family Resources. Families are encouraged to donate canned vegetables, soups, fruit, stuffing mix, pasta, cereal, and other nonperishable items. **Donation boxes are located in the school lobby, café, and near ASP.**

There's a little friendly competition! The school collecting the most points will earn a special visit from **BLOOPER, the Atlanta Braves mascot!**  Let's show our Gator generosity and help make Thanksgiving brighter for families in our community!

## **From the Addison Library: Thank You for Supporting Our Fall Book Fair!**

A huge thank-you to everyone who helped make our Fall Book Fair such a success! We especially appreciate our wonderful parent and student volunteers and all the families who supported this fundraiser. Your generosity makes a difference in our library!

## **Two Amazing Events, Two Wonderful Causes!**

We have two exciting events coming up, and both are wonderful ways to support Addison!

### **Gator Dash — Supporting the Addison Foundation**

Get ready for our Foundation-sponsored fun run, complete with GLOWTASTIC prizes! Funds raised support our STEM Lab, teacher grants, schoolwide improvements, and many other opportunities that benefit our students.

### **GatorFest — Supporting the Addison PTA**

Our PTA-sponsored school carnival brings families together for a day of fun while raising funds for the programs, resources, and experiences the PTA provides for our students and staff throughout the year.

The Addison Foundation and PTA are excited to work together to make these events special. What better way to celebrate Gator Dash than with a carnival the very next weekend? We hope to see our Addison families at **BOTH events!** Don't forget to sign up to volunteer and help make these celebrations a success.

Thank you for supporting both of these incredible parent organizations and the many ways they make Addison an even better place for our students!

-Addison Foundation and Addison PTA

## **PTA Spirit Wear Update**

If you ordered a neon grade-level shirt, you should have received it by now!

If your shirt has not arrived or you have any concerns with your order, please contact the Spirit Wear Committee as soon as possible at [spiritwear@addisonpta.org](mailto:spiritwear@addisonpta.org). Thank you for showing your Gator spirit!

## **Let's Celebrate Your Child's Birthday!**

Birthdays are special, and we love celebrating our Gators! Did you know there are several ways to make your child's birthday extra memorable at Addison? You can celebrate with a birthday message on our school [marquee](#), join our [Birthday Book Club](#) in the library, or even arrange special treats through our [café catering](#)! Click on the links above to learn more.

## **In the Community: Sprayberry's Halloween Jam-BOO-Ree!**

Looking for some Halloween fun? Sprayberry High School is hosting a **Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 31, from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. at the stadium!** Enjoy trick-or-treating with Sprayberry student groups and community partners, food vendors, and bounce houses.

- **Admission and parking are free!** Bounce house wristbands are \$10.  
[Click here for more information about Sprayberry's Jam-BOO-Ree!](#)

## **Thank You, Mathnasium of North Marietta!**

A special thank-you to **Mathnasium of North Marietta** for treating our teachers to coffee and snacks throughout conference week! Your thoughtfulness and generosity helped make a busy week a little brighter for our staff. We're grateful for your partnership and for the additional math support you provide to students in our community!

If you are interested in extra math support are encouraged to learn more about Mathnasium [here](#).

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**Thank you for all the ways you support our Gators! Together, we help our students Engage, Learn, Lead, and Succeed!**  

## **Mark Your Calendars**

- **October 19** – Gator Dash Kick-off!
- **October 28** – Picture Retakes
- **October 28** – [Daniell Middle School Spooky STEM Night](#) | 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- **October 29** – Gator Dash | 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- **October 30** – PTA School Store | 7:15–7:45 a.m. | Café
- **October 31** – Sprayberry's Halloween Jam-BOO-Ree | 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- **November 2**- PTA | Reflections entries due
- **November 3**- Election Day | Student Holiday
- **November 6**- STEM Showcase | Information to come
- **November 6**- Gator Fest | 4:00-7:00
- **November 10**- **Zones of Regulation at Home | Parent workshop | in person 9:00-10:00 a.m. and virtually 6:30-7:30 p.m. (More information next week)**
- **November 10**- Thanksgiving Luncheon | Pre-K, Kinder & 5th
- **November 11**- Veterans Day Breakfast | 7:15-8:15 am Cafe
- **November 11**- Thanksgiving Luncheon | 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **November 12**- Thanksgiving Luncheon | 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>
- **November 17**- Coffee and Conversation | 7:30-8:00 am
- **November 12**- Thanksgiving Luncheon | 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>
- **November 21-29**- Thanksgiving Break