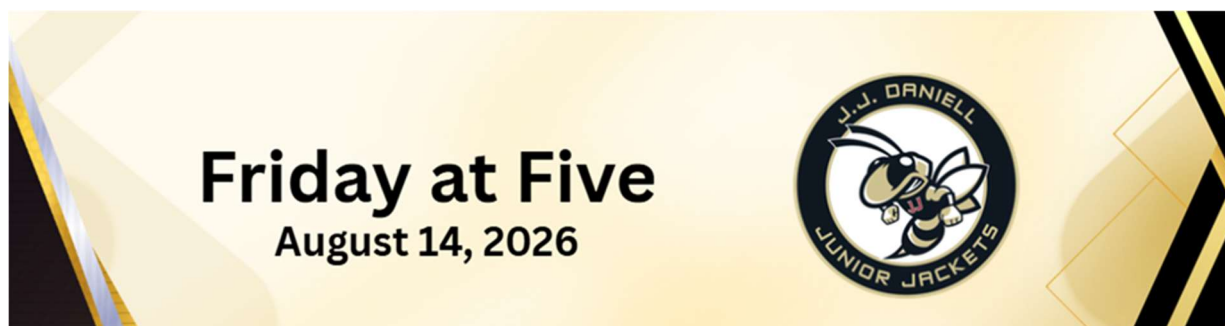


Friday at Five, August 14, 2026



Thank you to those who were able to volunteer during the duty-free lunch this week. The teachers enjoyed it and appreciate your help in supervising the students. We will have one of these each quarter this year. Watch this newsletter for more volunteer opportunities.

Mark your calendars: Monday, August 17 is the first Digital Learning Day of the school year. Students do not report to school, but they will have asynchronous assignments to complete at home via CTLS.

Does your student have allergies, asthma, or another medical need? If so, please reach out to Nurse Cristy so she is aware and can help you complete the correct forms so that we can house emergency medications at school. Cristina.mcever@cobbk12.org Please reach out to her just to touch base even if you completed the student clinic card.

Color Battle: I'm thrilled to let you know that our school is kicking off the **Daniell MS Color Battle Fundraiser!** This is a high-energy, student-led, two-week fundraiser brought to us by Apex Leadership Co. Throughout the program, students rally support from family and friends to help our school, and it all wraps up with the unforgettable Apex Color Battle Event: color, games, music, raffles, and a whole lot of smiles.

This program makes a real difference for our students and staff, and I'm fully behind it. I hope you'll join me in cheering our students on over the next two weeks.

How It Works

- **Get started online:** Students log in at www.anython.com using the unique access code they receive on Launch Rally Day.
- **Make it personal:** Add a picture or a video of your student explaining what is happening on campus and asking for support!
- **Share the donation page:** Help connect your student to sponsors by sharing their donation page via email, text and social media using the "Share Feature". Sponsors can then make their donations online.
- **Earn prizes:** Students earn prizes along the way as their donation totals grow. The more students raise, the better prize they receive at the end of the program
- **Earn into the event:** Students who reach the first donation level reward by raising \$30 earn their way into the Apex Color Battle celebration.

The Important Details

Launch Rally: **Friday, August 14th**

The Apex Color Battle Event: **Friday, August 28th**

For check donations, please make it payable to: **Daniell Middle School PTSA**

This year, funds raised go towards:

Teacher & Student Incentives and School Improvements

All students can participate in the daily fundraiser activities to win challenges & rewards, regardless of their ability to raise money. During the fundraiser, students will also take part in classroom and individual challenges designed to encourage participation and teamwork.

Data Collection and Student Privacy

Adhering to Cobb County's guidelines, to state and to federal laws, all collected information is secure and protected by law and will be used solely for this initiative. This student-led fundraiser is not only an opportunity to strengthen our school, but also to foster accountability, leadership, and pride among our students.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can make this academic year a tremendous success.

Students were told about the upcoming **Color Battle** today. This is our only school-wide yearly fundraiser. Today, students were provided their own code to login to the APEX system so they can share the donation page with others. Students must raise \$30 to participate. The Color Battle is Friday, August 28. **We have an opportunity for parents to volunteer during the Color Battle. A sign up genius will be coming next week so you can sign up to help!**

Volunteer times will be approximately from 2:30 pm – 4:15 pm on August 29. The sign up genius describes the different stations we need. Thank you for your help! Keep reading for more info about the Color Battle:

***Disclaimer/Release of Liability:** The Color Battle activities will involve running and other forms of exercise that may be physically exerting. Students will also be dusted with color powder. If your child has preexisting conditions such as heart conditions, allergies, asthma, immune disorders, susceptibility to bleeding or broken bones, or other illnesses or conditions that require limited physical exertion, please consult with your doctor before allowing your child to participate. If parents or guardians allow their student to participate, you are representing and warranting that your child is healthy enough to participate safely in the activities and you agree to hold Apex and the School harmless for any possible accident or injury. You are also agreeing that you are assuming all responsibility for your child's clothing and shoes during the activity.*

Color Powder: The color powder used during the Color Battle is non-toxic and biodegradable. All materials are FD&C grade, made from cornstarch and food-safe coloring. Color powder may stain clothing. If your child is participating, please have them wear old shoes and bottoms that are ok if they get stained and bring a change of clothing for after the event.

PTSA NEWS:

Please join the Daniell PTSA! The cost of a membership is \$10, and the funds are used to support current Daniell students! If you are interested in being an active member of the PTSA, please reach out to our school secretary, Stacy Meriaux, at stacy.meriaux@cobbk12.org. Many hands make light work! You may also bring \$10 cash to the front office. Volunteer Opportunities are posted throughout the year via the Friday at Five Newsletter via CTLS. Join the PTSA using this link: <https://jointotem.com/ga/marietta/j-j-daniell-ms-ptsa>

PTSA is looking for someone to manage our spirit wear! We work through a website, and it is very easy to do. We will happily walk you through it! If you would like to help with this, contact our school secretary, Stacy Meriaux, at stacy.meriaux@cobbk12.org.

Daniell Spirit Wear is available for purchase now for students and/or parents! Here is the QR code to use to order items. Orders will be delivered in September! Order now!



New this Year: All grade level dances will be free for students whose parents have joined the PTSA! For non-members, the price of a ticket will be \$20. Dates for the dances are as follows: Nov 4: 6th grade; Nov. 5: 7th grade; May 7: 8th grade. Details will be coming as the dances approach.

Save the date for Open House: September 17. We will begin with a PTSA meeting in the theater at 6 pm. More details coming in September.

Parents, I want to introduce you to **the Daniell Wall of Honor** in case you are not familiar with it.



This is a wall in our school that we are very proud of! Beginning in 2012-2013, every student who has earned all A's in 6th – 8th grades has placed their handprint and signature on the wall! Last May, we were honored to add 14 handprints to the wall! We encourage you to work with your students, communicate with teachers, and support the school so your child's handprint can be part of the Wall of Honor at Daniell!

Daniell Middle School Intramurals Return August 24!

Start Date: Monday, August 24, 2026

End Date: Friday, May 20, 2026

Get ready to move, play, and grow! Our Intramural Program offers a fun and safe space for students to enjoy physical activity, learn new sports, and build teamwork and sportsmanship.

Weekly Schedule

- **Mondays** – 8th Grade
- **Tuesdays** – 7th Grade
- **Thursdays** – 6th Grade
- **Friday** – All Grades

Arrival & Participation Info

- **Doors open:** 8:15 AM at the Theater Entrance
- **Doors close:** 8:20 AM
- **Requirement:** Athletic shoes must be worn to participate.

Whether you are looking to compete, or just stay active with your friends, Intramurals is where to be before the start of your school day.

Have questions? See Coach Lee (amber.lee@cobbk12.org).

Do you or your company want to be a Daniell sponsor? See more info below:



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- ✓ Logo/Business name in weekly parent Newsletter (Friday at Five)
- ✓ Shout out Recognition on Social Media once/semester

THE STING PACKAGE

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- ✓ Booth at two parent events
- ✓ Business Spotlight on Digital Marquee – 1 week of the month
- ✓ Company marketing yard sign during carline – two weeks per semester
- ✓ Logo/Business name in weekly parent Newsletter (Friday at Five)
- ✓ Shout out Recognition on Social Media monthly

THE SWARM PACKAGE

\$750

- ✓ Booth at all parent events
- ✓ Business Spotlight on Digital Marquee – 2 weeks of the month
- ✓ Company marketing yard sign during carline – four weeks per semester
- ✓ Logo/Business name in weekly parent Newsletter (Friday at Five)
- ✓ Shout out Recognition on Social Media twice a month
- ✓ Coupons/promotions shared within school community

LET'S BUILD A STRONGER COMMUNITY TOGETHER!

For inquiries, in-kind donations, and logo submission, please contact:
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 or
 Cole Ross: Cole.Ross@CobbK12.org



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Counselor's Corner: Week 2

Meet Your School Social Worker!

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 School Social Worker
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