



The Eagle Update

Parent Edition – 10/5/25

Principal's Note

Simpson Families,

It is hard to believe but this Friday, October 10, is the end of the first quarter of the 2025-26 school year! So, now is a great time to jump on [ParentVue](#) and make sure your Eagle's grades look the way you expect. This is also a good time to have a conversation with your Eagle on how *they* feel the first quarter of the school year has gone.

- What have you done well?
- What do you want to continue?
- What has not gone as well as you hoped?
- What will you need to change during Quarter 2 for this to happen?

We tell our Eagles at Simpson regularly that what was good enough yesterday is not good enough today, and what is good enough today will not be good enough tomorrow. We must challenge ourselves to grow a little better every day. Thank you for having these conversations with your Eagle at home as we wrap up Quarter 1 and prepare to move into the next grading period!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Mission:

*EAGLES –
Encouraging
Achievement, Growth,
Leadership, &
Enduring Success*

Vision:

*Educational
Excellence for ALL*

Shout Outs

Foundation Grounds Crew – Once again, shout out to the Simpson Foundation and their groundskeeping chair, Ms. Heather Stewart. They continued their work assuring that the look of our campus is ***The Best of the Best!*** You can now see our marquee clearly, all the more reason to shout out your Eagle's birthday on it!



Before



After

Headline News

Conference Week – CCSD Conference Week for elementary and middle schools is next week, October 13-17. On Friday, the Simpson Team sent out invitations via CTLS for priority students and their families for conferences. If you didn't receive this invite, you are still welcome to come in during Conference Week. See the links below to sign up for a conference with one of your Eagle's teachers.

[Connections](#)

[6th Grade](#)

[7th Grade](#)

[8th Grade](#)

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Instructional

Iowa Testing – 7th Grade Parents, Iowa Testing has been rescheduled for this coming week, Monday-Thursday (10/7-10/10). Thank you for having your 7th Grade Eagle to Simpson on time with their fully charged laptop.

CTLS Parent Engagement Night – Need help with CTLS, ParentVue, or PBIS Rewards? We are here to help! See [This Flyer](#) and [Register](#) for our CTLS Parent Night, one week from tomorrow, October 9 @ 6:00pm!

PSAT 8-9 – 8th Grade Parents, all CCSD 8th Grade students participate in the PSAT 8-9. At Simpson, our Eagles will be taking this assessment on Tuesday, October 21. This assessment gives students and parents feedback on how prepared your Eagle is to be successful on the PSAT & SAT. See [This Letter](#) for details.



Operational

Fall Picture Day – Fall Picture Day is next Wednesday, October 15th! Picture forms were sent home with students this week. You can prepay and order online by clicking [Here](#) (School Code-S115). Students who do not prepay will bring their order forms ([Printable Version](#)) on Picture Day to give directly to the photographer.

October Calendar – To keep up with all things Simpson in October, see the [October Calendar of Events](#).



Scoliosis Screening – Our annual Scoliosis screening for 6th and 8th grade students will take place October 14th and October 16th. Students will be screened by [Coach Aumann](#) and [Coach Robinson](#) during their Connections periods. Any student that has been screened by their doctor or does not wish to be screened must turn in an opt-out form prior to the screening date. Please return your opt-out form to your homeroom or PE teachers by Friday, October 10th. Opt-out forms will go home tomorrow, Monday, October 6th or can be found [Here](#) ([Spanish](#)).

Why Schedule a Conference – While attending Open House and accessing [ParentVue](#), [PBIS Rewards Family](#), and [CTLS Parent](#) may provide all the information that some parents need, there are still those that should plan to schedule a conference during Conference Week. Here are a few reasons that you should consider signing up for a conference:

- Your child has missing or incomplete assignments.
- Grades are below expectations (for example, below 80%) or have recently dropped.
- Your child is struggling to understand class content or needs extra support.
- School behaviors are leading to consequences for your child.
- Your child is having a hard time keeping up with the workload or balancing responsibilities.
- You've noticed your child feels overwhelmed, stressed, or discouraged about school.
- You would like strategies to support learning at home.
- You have questions or concerns about your child's progress or classroom experience.
- You have concerns about how your child is doing socially in class.

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Old Operational News

Miles for Mental Health 5k – Simpson is excited to host our [2nd Annual Miles for Mental Health Run](#) this year. All students will participate in a 5K event (students may run or walk) held during connections classes on October 17th. However, if a student pays \$25 and registers for the event, they can get a T-shirt and record their participation. Over 400 people have already signed up to participate at other events hosted across the district, and you can register [Here!](#) We can't wait to host and celebrate mental health awareness with all our Simpson family! This event is sponsored by our Simpson Sources of Strength Peer Leaders.

Early Checkouts – 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 checkout time. We anticipate a lot of early checkouts before the break, so please send in your notes.

Student Checkout – Any adult checking out a student must be listed in [ParentVue](#) as [Release To & Contact Allowed](#) for the student. The adult must show a valid State ID or Driver's License as proof of identity. We do not accept electronic copies of ID.



Yearbook – Now is the time to order your Eagle's yearbook! The yearbook will get more expensive as the year goes on, so the best time to order is now! Simpson school #640. [Click Here](#) to order.

Yearbook Ads – Did you know that you can purchase up to a half-page yearbook ad to celebrate your 8th grade Eagle? Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate your Eagle's journey through middle school! See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Updating Contact Information – Did you know you can update your information in [ParentVue](#)? This allows you to adjust who can check your Eagle out of school, who can see educational records, and more. See [These How-to Steps](#) to update your Eagle's contact information ASAP!

Critical Apps – Reminder that there are three apps that all Simpson parents should access regularly:

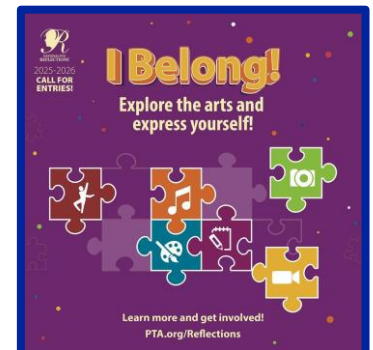
- [CTLS Parent](#)
- [ParentVue](#)
- [PBIS Rewards Family](#)

PTSA & Foundation

Foundation Shout Outs – Did you know that you can give your student a marquee shoutout? Visit [This Page](#) to set one up for your Eagle!



National PTA Reflections – ENTRY FORM IS NOW OPEN! Hey student artists, have you started working on your entry for National PTA's Reflections 2025-26? Entry is FREE. We hope many of our talented students will participate! The deadline for entries is October 24, 2025. This year's theme is "I Belong". Choose from six categories: Dance, Music, Film, Literature, Photography, and Visual Arts. You can submit an entry in all 6 categories (one entry per category). Enter [Here!](#)



Prizes:

- All participants will be celebrated at a Reflections Reception.
- All entries will receive a certificate of participation.
- Simpson PTSA will award 1st and 2nd place for each category in each grade.
- Winners in each category and in each grade will advance to County and move forward.

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Community Events

Sprayberry Trunk or Treat – Sprayberry’s National Honor Society is excited host their Annual Trunk-or-Treat on October 29, 2025. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Sprayberry STEM Application – The Sprayberry application window for their 2026-27 STEM Program is now open. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

ECMS 5K & Health Fair – You’re invited to East Cobb Middle School’s Annual 5K & Health Fair on Saturday, October 11th at East Cobb Middle School. The race begins at 9:00am (Packet pickup starts at 8:30am). They’re thrilled to invite students, families, staff, and community members to a fun-filled morning celebrating health, wellness, and togetherness! This event will feature a 5K run/walk for all ages and fitness levels, a vibrant health fair with lots of local wellness vendors, delicious eats from our BBQ food truck and Kona Ice, and great giveaways, activities, and more! See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Sprayberry Neighborhood Pantry – The Sprayberry Neighborhood Pantry distribution for this school year is the second Monday of each month. The next date will be Monday, 9/8 from 4pm to 6pm. See the flyer [Here](#) to register. You do not need to register again if you have ever visited the pantry in the past.

Blessed Trinity Model UN – Blessed Trinity is hosting a Middle School Model UN conference on November 15 from 9am to 4pm at Blessed Trinity. The conference is open to all middle schoolers, 6th-8th grade. Students do not need to have any prior experience in Model UN to participate. The goal of the conference is to introduce students to Model UN and the skills of diplomacy, debate, and critical thinking. Our high school team will lead and facilitate throughout the day and make sure that the middle schoolers are enjoying themselves. There is a \$15 registration fee per student without a shirt and a \$30 registration if they want a shirt. See the [Information Sheet](#), [Committee Details](#), and [Registration Form](#) for details.

Upcoming Dates

- 10/6 – Tri-M Induction Ceremony in the Theater @ 6:30
- 10/7-10/10 – Iowa Testing (7th Grade)
- 10/9 – [CTLS Family Engagement Night](#) @ 6:00
- 10/10 – Lassiter Homecoming (Parade @ 5:30)
- 10/13 – Digital Learning Day
- 10/13-10/17 – Conference Week
- 10/15 – [Fall Picture Day](#) (School Code-S115)
- 10/21 – [PSAT 8-9](#) (8th Grade)

