

The Eagle Update

Parent Edition - 11/30/25

Principal's Note

Simpson Families,

I hope that you all had a great Thanksgiving Break and that you got to rest, relax, and recharge. With the Thanksgiving Holiday coming so late in the calendar this year, there are only three short weeks left in the semester when we return to business as usual at Simpson tomorrow. This means that there is only a small window for our Eagles to assure everything for Quarter 2 gets wrapped up effectively. So, now is a good time to have a conversation about grades and what needs to be done to assure they are looking good come the end of the quarter. If you are seeing things in ParentVue that are not up to your expectations, this week is the time to communicate with teachers to determine what steps can be taken to make improvements. We all know how busy life becomes as the December holidays approach, so don't let your Eagle try to put off their work until the last minute! Thank you for having that conversation sooner than later so that everyone is happy with the results of Quarter 2 when the Honor Roll lists are published in January!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Mission:

EAGLES —
Encouraging
Achievement, Growth,
Leadership, &
Enduring Success

Vision:

Educational
Excellence for ALL

Shout Outs

Honor Chorus – Congratulations to five of our Eagles who were selected to participate in GMEA District 12 Middle School Honor Chorus on Tuesday, November 18. Shout out to Audrey Merry, Callie Dale, Brooke Lange, Noah Shaefer-Rodriguez, Aiden Lee, and of course our Choral Director, Ms. Kirstin Cagle!













PBIS Points – Prior to Thanksgiving Break, at the 4.5-week mark of Quarter 2, we distributed points to students just for doing what should be done every day at Simpson. You can see the categories for which points were rewarded below. Overall, we awarded 29, 065 points to our Eagles! A special shout out to the short list of superstars who made the Perfect 60-Point List!

All As – 20 Points As & Bs – 15 Points Perfect Attendance – 10 Points No Missing Assignments – 10 Points No Behavior Infractions – 10 Points No Tardies to School – 10 Points

Lassiter 7th Grade Basketball Team – Shout out to the 7th Grade Lassiter Basketball Team who won a 14-team tournament last week!

You can see the results **Here** and the Simpson team members below. Well done!

Beckett Knudsen Cole Stewart Yusef Nalayeh Carter Martin JR Henderson Zach Wright

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Shout Outs (Cont.)

Model UN – See pictures below of some of our Simpson Eagles who recently participated in Blessed Trinity's Model UN. Awesome!









International Night – Huge shout out to our PTSA and all who came out for our recent International Night! It was an amazing event featuring the incredible diversity of the Simpson community!













Instructional

Beacon Testing – Starting tomorrow, Monday, December 1, we will begin our second round of Beacon Testing for the year. Beacon Assessments in math and ELA occur at the start, midpoint, and end of each school year. The data helps inform teachers and parents of student learning progress as well as identify potential learning gaps. Thank you for reminding your Eagle to charge their laptop this evening so it is ready to go in the morning!

Digital Learning Day – This Tuesday, 12/2 is a Digital Learning Day across CCSD. This means that, while students will not be on campus at Simpson, each student will have some tasks to review, preview, or complete in each of their seven classes. So, even though it will not be the same as a regular full school day, students should be checking each class in CTLS to assure they are up to date. Also, because our staff will all be working that day, Tuesday is a great day to reach out with questions.

PSAT 8-9 Scores – PSAT 8-9 score reports for your 8th grade student were sent home prior to Thanksgiving Break. Scores are also available electronically. For access, please log into your student's <u>College Board</u> account to view results. See the <u>Understanding Scores YouTube Video</u> or the <u>Understanding Scores Manual</u> for more information on understanding your child's scores.

Sprayberry ISLA – Applications for Sprayberry's International Spanish Language Academy are now open to 8th grade students. See <u>This</u> <u>Flyer</u> or <u>Their Website</u> for more details.

Operational

Student Advisory Council - Our next meeting of the Student Advisory Council will be this Wednesday, 12/3, in the library at 8:00.

Old Operational News

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. Any adult checking out a student must be listed in ParentVue as Release To & Contact Allowed for the student. All adults must show a valid State ID or Driver's License as proof of identity.

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Lost and Found – Lost and found bins are located in each grade level's commons area, PE locker rooms, and music classrooms. There are many jackets, hoodies, lunch boxes, water bottles and other items in the bins. Valuable lost items such as glasses, wallets, air pods, phones, jewelry, etc. are brought to the front office. Please remind your child check all areas for any forgotten/lost items. Lost and found items are donated to charity at the end of each semester.

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 <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

PTSA & Foundation

Foundation Shout Outs – Did you know that you visit <u>This Page</u> to set up a marquee shout out for your Eagle?!

Shop, Save & Support – The Simpson PTSA has partnered with Peach Skin Sheets to provide a service to our community and raise funds for the PTSA. Freshen up those linens and support a great cause. A portion of all sales returns to the Simpson PTSA. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details and use the code SIMPSON1 when ordering!



Community Events

Sleighbells on the Square – See <u>This Flyer</u> for information on the annual Sleighbells on the Square, which is coming up on December 13. This is an amazingly fun event, and the proceeds of this race go directly back to families in need in CCSD by way of Cobb Bar Association.

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, 12/8 from 4pm to 6pm. See the flyer <u>Here</u> to register. You do not need to register again if you have ever visited the pantry in the past.

Additional Needs – In light of some unknowns regarding November SNAP benefits, we wanted to share the following resources:

- If you are in need of Food Assistance, please visit <u>Cobb Moms Helping Cobb</u> to learn more.
 - o Grocery Assistance Form
 - General Assistance Form (for other needs)
- Or, find a Food Pantry near you:
 - Text "FINDFOOD" or "COMIDA" to 888-976-2232
 - You will be provided with a list of pantries located in or near your zip code.
- Or, search Food Banks in Georgia Atlanta Food Bank & Walk-In Pantry Map
- If you have tried these resources and continue to require assistance, please contact School Social Worker <u>Maggy Hoskins</u> (770-656-5046).



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Upcoming Dates

- 12/1 Beacon Testing (All Grades Math)
- 12/2 Digital Learning Day
- 12/2 Principal's Advisory Council @ 2:00
- 12/3 Student Advisory Council @ 8:00 in the library
- 12/3 Beacon Testing (6th Grade ELA)
- 12/4 Beacon Testing (7th Grade ELA)
- 12/4 6th Grade Band Concert @ Lassiter (6:30)
- 12/5 Beacon Testing (8th Grade ELA)
- 12/8 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Chorus Concert @ Lassiter (6:30)
- 12/13 Sleighbells on the Square



