



The Eagle Update

Parent Edition – 7/26/26

Principal's Note

Simpson Families,

As I enter my second year as principal at Simpson Middle School, I am excited to get the school year underway! To our returning students and parents, welcome back! And to our 6th Grade students and parents, welcome to Simpson! There are many great schools in East Cobb, but we work diligently to assure that we are at the top of the list in all that we do, which is why our motto at Simpson Middle School is ***The Best of the Best!*** When it comes to instruction, teaching behavior, building relationships with students and parents, and celebrating success, we pledge ***Educational Excellence for ALL*** in each minute of each day of the school year. You will hear me say often, "We do not do average at Simpson," and with SOARing Day coming up this week, you will have the opportunity to see that our building, thanks to summertime renovations, now looks as good as the instruction and operations that occur inside it! Each Sunday at 7:00pm, you will receive this newsletter and a phone call outlining upcoming events. Thank you for taking time to listen to the call and then seek out detailed information in The Eagle Update. I look forward to our partnership throughout this upcoming year!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Weekly Communication

The Eagle Update – As noted above, each week at 7:00pm on Sunday evening, you will receive communication about all the ongoings at Simpson. This communication comes in two formats: a phone call and this newsletter. Please take time each week to review one of these options. The phone call is the quickest but contains the least detail, and this newsletter, *The Eagle Update*, will have all the possible details. Taking a few minutes each week to review the Sunday communication will ensure that you are up to date on all things Simpson!

Operational

SOARing Day – We invite you to join us at the end of this week for SOARing Day! We have set aside time(s) for each grade level to visit homerooms, pick up class schedules, visit classrooms, join the [PTSA](#), partner with the [Simpson Foundation](#), pick up CCSD Laptops, buy spirit wear, and tour the building. 7th & 8th Grade students will have a to-do list to pick up as they enter the building and 6th Grade students will have a Scavenger Hunt. Step one on each of these is to locate their homeroom. Homeroom lists will be posted on each grade level hallway, and students will be able to pick up their class schedule from their homeroom teacher. From there the event is self-paced and self-guided. We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Thursday, July 30 th – 7 th & 8 th Grade SOARing Day	Friday, July 31 st – 6 th Grade SOARing Day
1:00-2:15 – 7th Grade 2:30-3:45 – 8th Grade	12:30-1:30 (Last Names A-K) 2:00-3:00 (Last Names L-Z)

Mission:

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

Vision:

*Educational
Excellence for ALL*

Simpson Eagles SOAR!

Operational (Cont.)

Student Schedules – As the school year approaches you and your Eagle will begin to see classes in [ParentVue/StudentVue](#). We are currently still scheduling students and balancing classes. Therefore, class schedules will not be finalized until SOARING Day. Following SOARING Day, please send any schedule questions to our master scheduler, [Assistant Principal Dr. Vickie Kogan](#).

6th Grade Overview – Did you know we hosted a Rising 6th Grade Parent Night in the spring? If you weren't able to attend, you can see the [Rising 6th Grade Parent Video](#) for details. You may also want to see [A Day in the Life of a Simpson Eagle](#).

6th Grade CCSD Laptop – Did you know that, starting in 6th Grade, all CCSD students are issued a CCSD laptop? Parents must opt-in via [ParentVue](#). Instructions can be found [Here](#) / [Spanish](#). Be sure to opt-in prior to SOARING Day so that you can pick up a laptop during the event!

6th Grade Music – All Simpson 6th Grade students should choose at least one music course. Their options are Band, Chorus, and Orchestra. Students will be introduced to these options over the first week of school. Students do not need any previous musical experiences to join. (Most of our music students have zero.) There will be an [Instrument Test Drive](#) on Saturday, August 8th where students and parents can finalize these decisions.

Lunch Funds – CCSD utilizes [My School Bucks](#) for families to pay for student lunches. Now, would be a good time to goad ahead and load up your Eagle's account. Details on school lunches can be found on the [CCSD Food & Nutrition Services Website](#).

7th & 8th Grade Laptop Updates – Now would be a great time to have your 7th or 8th Grade Eagle get out their CCSD laptop, charge it, connect to your home network, and run system updates. These updates can take quite a bit of time, and waiting until they are on campus for the first day of school may put them behind.

Dress Code – At Simpson, we believe we have a very fair and reasonable dress code. As you are completing your back to school shopping, we thought you may want access to the [Simpson Dress Code](#) to ensure your Eagle comes to school each day dressed to learn.

Bus Tracker App – Last year, CCSD implemented a new app for tracking your student's bus. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

PTSA & Foundation

Foundation Legacy Wall – We're excited to announce a new addition to Simpson—the Legacy Wall in our front lobby! Families and staff can make a donation of \$150 or more to have their family name displayed on the Legacy Wall as part of what makes Simpson *The Best of the Best*. See the [Family Investment Campaign Site](#) to contribute!

PTSA Membership – You don't have to wait until SOARING Day to join the PTSA. See the [PTSA Website](#) and join today!



Community Events

Sprayberry Football – See the flyers below for information on the upcoming football season at Sprayberry.

[2026 Recruiting Flyer](#)

[Lineman Flyer](#)

[Middle School Schedule](#)

[Autograph Signing](#)

Simpson Eagles SOAR!

Upcoming Dates

- 7/30 – 7th & 8th Grade SOARing Day
 - 1:00-2:15 – 7th Grade
 - 2:30-3:45 – 8th Grade
- 7/31 – 6th Grade SOARing Day
 - 12:30-1:30 (Last Names A-K)
 - 2:00-3:00 (Last Names L-Z)
- 8/3 – First Day of School!
- 8/8 – [Instrument Test Drive](#)

