



The Eagle Update

Parent Edition – 8/10/25

Principal's Note

Simpson Families,

Thank you for an excellent first week of school! Our Eagles clearly came into our doors last Monday ready to take care of business, and for that we send our appreciation to our families for preparing them. During the first week, we spent a lot of time assuring every student understands what it means to SOAR at Simpson. Whether it is in the classroom, the restrooms, the cafeteria, walking in the hallway, or on the bus, we want all students to know exactly what it looks like to be Successful, Observant, Accountable, and Responsible. We will continue teaching these expectations throughout the month of August as the foundation for the remainder of the year. The challenge I offered to our students, and that I hope you will relay at home, is that, no matter how great we are, we must all be continually seeking to grow. We need to strive to be a little better today than we were yesterday, and a little better tomorrow than we are today. Thank you for continuing to challenge your Eagle to be *The Best of the Best* as we enter week 2 in the same way our team will challenge them at school!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Mission:

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

Vision:

*Educational
Excellence for ALL*

Headline News

Three Parent Apps – At Simpson, we ask each parent to keep up with three apps that involve your student, their learning, and their behavior. Please see the notes on each below and reach out to our front office with questions.

Educational App	What is it used for?	Why is it important?
<u>CTLS Parent</u>	Communication regarding what is ongoing for your Eagle at Simpson. This can be from teachers of the front office and is home for Sunday's weekly Eagle Update.	Staying up to date with CTLS Parent will assure that you know what is going on at Simpson, what is coming up, and what deadlines must be met.
<u>ParentVue</u>	Checking student class grades and student attendance. This app also allows you to change address, contact information, emergency contacts, and educational rights. Lastly, this app is used to approve field trips and to opt in for the CCSD student laptop.	Keeping up with student grades and attendance allows you to support your Eagle throughout each quarter. Also, students may not attend a field trip or receive a CCSD laptop without electronic permission.
<u>PBIS Rewards Family</u> A letter with a scannable QR code will be coming out this coming week. (Be sure to check your spam!)	Monitoring how many points your Eagle is earning for SOAR-ing (Successful, Observant, Accountable, Responsible). This app also allows you to monitor any minor behavior referrals/infractions.	Celebrating your student's positive points is a great way to reinforce the school's message at home. Also, knowing what your Eagle's behavior looks like at Simpson will help you intervene before infractions become disciplinary concerns.

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Instructional

Digital Learning Day – One week from tomorrow, Monday, August 19, is a Digital Learning Day for all CCSD students. This means that they DO NOT report to school but DO have schoolwork. Students should access CTLs for each class to see the work outlined for them. This will primarily be a review of previous material or a preview of what is upcoming. That day, our entire staff will be at Simpson collaboratively planning. So, both students and parents should feel free to reach out to teachers for questions and additional support. Parents, Digital Learning Days are a great time to check [ParentVue](#) to see if your student has any missing assignments!

Operational

Student Advisory Council – If your Eagle is looking to take on a leadership role at Simpson this year, they can apply to become a member of the [2025-26 Simpson Student Advisory Council](#). This group works directly with school administration to contribute to decisions made for the school. The application deadline is the end of the school day Friday, 8/22.

Laptop Chargers – Now that the vast majority of our 6th grade students have received their CCSD laptop, please remind them of the following:

- Students should always bring their charged laptop to Simpson everyday.
- Although the charged laptop should last the entire day, students should also bring their power supply.
- Use the links below to purchase an additional or replacement power supply.
 - 6th & 7th Grades – [Click Here](#)
 - 8th Grade – [Click Here](#)

Student Laptop Notes – Just like any technology in your household, there should be a system for supervision and maintenance of the CCSD Student Laptop. See notes below for establishing your plan.

- Network Access: While on the CCSD network, students have restricted access to sites that they should not be accessing. However, on your home network, they can access whatever your network allows. The security of what they can and can't view comes from the network, not the laptop itself. This is something to consider when planning for when, where, and how they use their laptops at home.
- Screen Time: Just like TV or cellphones, too much screen time on the laptop is not good for young brains. For this reason, we recommend that you established an off time for the CCSD student laptop. At that time, the laptop should be stored somewhere visible and plugged in.
- Charging: The CCSD laptop is an integral learning tool for students throughout each day. For this reason, it should come to school fully charged each day. Thank you for determining a location in your household where this can occur each evening.

School Clubs – Many student clubs and organizations will exist this year at Simpson. Over the month of August, we will be forming this year's groups and advertising them through our daily student broadcast and this newsletter. Clubs will begin meeting following Labor Day weekend. For an idea of what's coming, see [Last Year's Clubs](#).

Cell Phones – At Simpson, our policy regarding personal electronic devices (cell phones, headphones, etc) is that students may have them, but they must be in their backpack. Students are only allowed to use these personal electronic devices with explicit teacher permission. The [Simpson Personal Electronics Protocol](#) will be followed for students who are using devices without teacher permission.

Dress Code – In preparation for the schoolyear it may be beneficial to review the [Simpson Dress Code](#).

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PTSA & Foundation

PTSA Spirit Wear – If you did not pick up any spirit wear or forgot to join the PTSA on Soaring Day, it is no problem. Memberships and spirit wear can be purchased electronically on the [PTSA Website!](#)

Foundation Investment Campaign – Thank you to all of our families that have donated to the Foundation! We have raised just over \$4,000! Please consider donating as 100% of your donations stay at Simpson. What do these donations fund you ask?

- Staff Grants
- Instructional Support (Morning Study Hall Supervision)
- School Improvements & Innovations
- Technology Support Staff

We are hosting a grade level challenge! The grade level with the highest donation amount will receive an *ICE CREAM PARTY!* Currently, 6th grade is in the lead at \$1,485.40, but 7th grade is not far behind them at \$1,374.19. 8th grade, currently at \$1,156.56, has plenty of time to come in and steal the win. Make your donation by September 5th!

[Click here for more information and to make your donation!](#)



Community Events

Sprayberry Neighborhood Pantry – The first Sprayberry Neighborhood Pantry distribution for this school year is tomorrow, (8/11). See [This Flyer](#) to register. You do not need to register again if you have ever visited the pantry in the past.

FCA Sports Volleyball – ATL FCA Sports has started a volleyball league for girls 12 and under. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

College & Career Fairs – CCSD is hosting two college and career fairs open to all CCSD families. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Back to School Health Services – See [This Flyer](#) from Cobb Douglas Public Health for services offered to families as they prepare to return to school.

Sprayberry Football – See the [Sprayberry Football Calendar](#) and the [Football Fees](#) for updated information. Contact [Coach Mack](#) with questions.

Upcoming Dates

- 8/11 – 6th Grade Connections Schedule Begins
- 8/19 – Digital Learning Day
- 8/22 – Deadline to apply for the [2025-26 Simpson Student Advisory Council](#)