

# The Eagle Update

Parent Edition - 8/17/25

### **Principal's Note**

Simpson Families,

I hope everyone had a great weekend! We are now in full swing of the school year and students are starting to feel the academic demands of their new grade level. So, this coming week will be a great time to start checking <a href="ParentVue">ParentVue</a> to see if your Eagle has any missing assignments and to assure grades look the way you expect. Tomorrow, August 18, is a Digital Learning Day across CCSD. While your student is at home checking on CTLS for what needs to be done in each class, our entire staff will be on campus at Simpson. This is a great time to reach out with any questions that arise from you or your student via email. Additionally, please don't be shy about reaching out to any teacher with a class in which your student needs support. Our school vision is <a href="Educational Excellence for ALL">Educational Excellence for ALL</a>. We understand that success looks different to each student, and nobody knows that better than you do! As parents, you know that some students are ready to be set free to pursue this success on their own, and others need guidance and a lot of checking in upon. Not every student reaches school maturity at the same time, even siblings in the same family! Thank you for taking the steps needed for your unique learner(s) to assure they are getting what they need from our team!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

#### Mission:

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

#### Vision:

Educational
Excellence for ALL

### **Instructional**

**CTLS Learn** – All teachers at Simpson post daily assignments on their class boards in CTLS learn. Each teacher's CTLS class board serves as their blog. Did you know that you can see these too? See <u>These Instructions</u> to do so!

**Beacon Assessments** – This week, we will begin administering the ELA & Math Beacon Assessments. These tests are given at the start of the year, the middle of the year, and the end of the year, and they allow us to identify strengths and weaknesses among our Eagles at Simpson. This allows us to plan for class scheduling, as well as both acceleration and support. See <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jhis.com/">This allows us to plan for class scheduling</a>, as well as both acceleration and support. See <a href="https://doi.org/">This Letter</a> for more information on the Beacon Assessments.

**Special Education Support** – Simpson's Support and Services Administrator, Ms. Ally Greene, will be hosting a special education parent orientation on Wednesday, August 20 at 9:30am in the STEAM room. All parents of students who receive special education services are welcome to attend to hear important information about their child's support team and resources. Please email Ally Greene with any questions.

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### **Operational**

Digital Learning Day – Tomorrow, Monday, August 18, 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. 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 <a href="ParentVue">ParentVue</a> to see if your student has any missing assignments!

**Beacon Schedule** – As mentioned above, <u>Beacon Assessments</u> begin this week. The testing dates for each grade level can be seen below. See the Beacon Schedule for full details.

- Tuesday, 8/19 7th Grade ELA
- Wednesday, 8/20 6<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA
- Thursday, 8/21 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA
- Monday, 8/25 All Grades Math

**Updating Contact Information** – Did you know you can update your information in <a href="ParentVue">ParentVue</a>? This allows you to adjust who can check your Eagle out of school, who can see educational records, and more. See <a href="These How-to Steps">These How-to Steps</a> to update your Eagle's contact information ASAP!

Parade Vehicle(s) – The Simpson Team is looking for a volunteer vehicle for several upcoming parades. Our Teacher of the Year, Classified Employee of the Year, and Admin Team all like to be involved these festive events. If you have a truck, a classic car, or convertible that you would be willing to drive in the parades below, we would appreciate your school spirit! Please reach out to Cory Stanley if you are willing!

- Sprayberry Homecoming Parade 9/3 @ 5:00pm
- East Cobber Parade 9/13 @ 10:00am
- Lassiter Homecoming Parade 10/10 @ 5:30pm

**Washington DC Trip** – Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class takes an annual trip to Washington DC in May. There is an interest meeting coming up on Thursday, September 4 @ 6:00. See This Flyer for details!

**Lassiter Sporting Events –** With football season heating up, LHS wanted to make sure both parents and students knew the rules for athletic event attendance. See This Flyer for details.

**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! <u>Click Here</u> to order.

**Yearbook Ads** – Did you know that you can purchase up to a half-page yearbook ad to celebrate your 8<sup>th</sup> grade Eagle? Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate your Eagle's journey through middle school! See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.



Yearbook Order Center

Open House – Mark your calendars for this year's Simpson Open House. Our event will be Thursday, September 18 (6:00-7:30)

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

- CTLS Parent
- ParentVue
- PBIS Rewards Family

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### **Operational (Cont.)**

**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 – Use the links below to purchase an additional or replacement power supply for the CCSD student laptop.

- o 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grades Click Here
- o 8th Grade Click Here

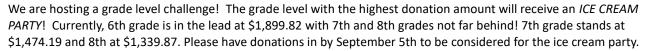
### **PTSA & Foundation**

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 \$4,713.88! Our goal for the Family Investment Campaign is \$10k. We are almost halfway! Please consider donating as 100% of your donations stay at Simpson. What do these donations fund you ask?



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



Click here for more information and to make your donation!

### **Community Events**

Jr. Jackets Baseball – Sprayberry high school is starting a brand new Jr. Jackets Baseball Team this fall. See This Flyer for details!

**Sprayberry Football** – It's not too late to sign up for Sprayberry Football. Contact <u>Coach Mack</u> for details! (Scholarship opportunities are available.)

**Sprayberry Homecoming** – Like to be a part of the Sprayberry homecoming events? They are looking for parade entires, vendors etc. See <u>This Packet</u> for details.

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.



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## **Upcoming Dates**

- 8/18 Digital Learning Day
- 8/19 7<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Beacon
- 8/20 Special Education Support Meeting @ 9:30 in the STEAM Room
- 8/20 6<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Beacon
- 8/21 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Beacon
- 8/22 Deadline to apply for the 2025-26 Simpson Student Advisory Council
- 8/25 All Grades Math Beacon
- 9/4 8th Grade DC Trip Interest Meeting @ 6:00 in the Tony L. Melton Theater
- 9/18 Simpson Open House (6:00-7:30)

