



The Eagle Update

Parent Edition – 8/24/25

Principal's Note

Simpson Families,

One of the great things about working in public education is that every day is different. While we always try to provide routines, procedures, and consistency, you never really know what adventures await when you walk in the door on any given day (See Snowmageddon 2014). Wednesday of this past week was just one of those days! I appreciate everyone's flexibility and positivity as we were thrown the curveball of not being able to get all our students off campus at our normal dismissal time. We know that this threw many of you a curveball as well and appreciate each of you that wrestled traffic and road blockages to make it on to Simpson's campus, while still maintaining a smile! Our students were also excellent on Wednesday, especially those that we loaded onto buses and then had to unload to come back into the school. In situations that are beyond our control, the one thing we can dictate is our response. Thank you for teaming with us to assure our response was as excellent as it could be! I won't say that I am *looking forward* to our next "adventure," but whatever it may be, I will say that I am confident we will handle it well together!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Mission:

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

Vision:

*Educational
Excellence for ALL*

Shout Outs

Foundation Partner – Shout out to [Enoch & Lemei Orthodontics](#) for their platinum-level partnership with the Simpson Foundation!

Partners and corporate sponsors help us accomplish projects like our upcoming refresh of the gym and covered play area (see details below). See the [Foundation Partnership Page](#) to get your business involved!



Instructional

Math Beacon – Tomorrow, Monday (8/25), we will be completing the Beacon Assessments in math for all grade levels. Thank you for assuring your Eagle is to school on time with a fully charged student laptop!

Simpson Eagles SOAR!

Operational

September Calendar – See the [Simpson September Calendar](#) to prepare for is occurring next month at Simpson.

Performing Arts Envelopes – CCSD Performing Arts informational brochure envelopes were distributed to students this past week. Performing Arts contributions can be made via cash, check (made out to Simpson Middle School), or online using [MyPaymentsPlus](#). Students should return the envelope to school and place it in the black payment boxes located around the school or the in school safe in the Front Office. 6th Grade will enjoy an in-house performance by The Atlanta Opera. 7th & 8th Grades will enjoy in-house performances by feeder high school performing arts programs. If you need to set up a MyPaymentsPlus account for your student, the directions can be found [Here](#). Thank you for your contribution in providing these live educational performances for our students!

Coder School Club – Support our partner in education, The Coder School East Cobb. Our after-school club will meet on Wednesdays, beginning September 3. Students will explore Python and real-world AI through fun, hands-on projects.

Beacon Schedule – As mentioned above, [Beacon Assessments](#) conclude this week. The testing dates for each grade level can be seen below. See the [Beacon Schedule](#) for full details.

- Monday, 8/25 – All Grades Math

Old Operational News

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!

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!

Washington DC Trip – Our 8th 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!

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! [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.



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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PTSA & Foundation

Foundation Project – The Simpson Foundation has announced its next big project. They are going to renovate the gym & covered play area! This will include new paint, padding, floors, branding, and equipment! Join the Simpson Foundation so that you can say, “Look what I helped do!”

Family Investment Campaign – Thank you to all our families that have donated to the Foundation. We have raised \$4,896.39!!! Our goal for the [Family Investment Campaign](#) is \$10k. We are almost half way! Please consider donating as 100% of your donations stay at Simpson. Donate [Here](#) by September 5th!

What do these donations fund, you ask?

- School Grants
- Instructional Support (Morning Study Hall Teacher)
- School Improvements – SEE THE GYM UPDATE DESCRIBED ABOVE!
- Technology Support Staff



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6th Grade Activity Night – Thursday, September 11 from 4:30-6:00 is our PTSA 6th Grade Activity Night. See [This Flyer](#) for details! (Permission forms began coming home this past Friday.)

8th Grade Shirt – Each year the eighth grade class has a shirt designed by one of our very own 8th grade designers. The shirts are 100% cotton and feature the names of all the 8th grade students on the back. Shirts will be worn for all 8th grade activities throughout the school year. All proceeds from shirt sales are used to support the 8th grade dance. The deadline for ordering is Friday, September 5. Shirts can be ordered [Here](#).

Spirit Nights – See the upcoming Simpson PTSA spirit nights below:

- 8/27 – [Jim 'N Nicks](#) (5:00-9:00)



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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 [Coach Mack](#) for details! (Scholarship opportunities are available.)

Upcoming Dates

- 8/25 – All Grades Math Beacon
- 8/27 – PTSA Spirit Night @ [Jim 'N Nicks](#) (5:00-9:00)
- 9/4 – [8th Grade DC Trip Interest Meeting](#) @ 6:00 in the Tony L. Melton Theater
- 9/5 – [8th Grade Shirt](#) Order Deadline
- 9/11 – PTSA [6th Grade Activity Night](#)
- 9/18 – Simpson Open House (6:00-7:30)
- 10/15 – Fall Picture Day

