



# The Eagle Weekly

What Parents Need To Know Right Now!

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Simpson Middle School

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## Dates to Remember

**Friday, August 17: New to Simpson Student Breakfast**

**Monday, August 20: 6<sup>th</sup> grade Open House and PTSA General Meeting; 7:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, August 21: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Open House and PTSA General Meeting; 7:00 p.m.**

Character Word for the Week: Self Respect-- Pride and belief in one's self and in achievement of one's potential.

Welcome to the 2007-08 school year! From Our Principal Simpson met the requirements for Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) based on last April's CRCT test results in Language Arts, Reading, and Math. Our staff is very proud of the academic successes of our students. Again this year, the staff will offer our students a positive and rigorous learning environment by using the new Georgia Performance Standards and achievement data to make instructional decisions. All teachers will be focusing on specific Georgia Performance skills in each of the content areas. As parents, you are fortunate to have dedicated and committed teachers who provide educational excellent for all students. Our teachers are committed to our academic goals to improve students' skills in mathematical problem solving and writing in all curriculum areas. The Simpson staff is looking forward to another successful school year. Your support is needed to accomplish this success.

### Get Involved! Clubs and Activities for Students--Extracurricular Activities

How can students get involved in their new school? Simpson offers various clubs and activities for the numerous interests of our students. Some of these include:

- Academic Bowl Team
- Adopt-a-Stream Club
- Art Club
- Before School Chorus
- Builders Club
- Chess Club
- Drama
- Eagle News TV Crew
- Environmental Committee
- French Club
- Intramural Sports/Activities
- Lego Lifters
- Math Counts Club
- Peer Mediators
- Robotics Team
- Science Olympiad
- Student Advisory Board
- Student Forum
- Yearbook Staff

Sign-up/recruitment for many of these groups occurs during the first few weeks of school, so don't miss the opportunity to join the fun. Look for more information on the school website, on posters throughout the school and listen carefully during morning announcements.

**Duty Free Lunch** We would like to be able to give the teachers two lunch periods every month that are duty free. This is a great gift from the PTSA but we cannot do this without parent volunteers. If you are willing to help, please contact Cheryl Kubin @ [jkubin@bellsouth.net](mailto:jkubin@bellsouth.net). Maybe you can only help once or maybe once or twice a month—we'll take it!

**Do you have a decorator's eye?** We are looking to give our lobby and front office areas a face lift. If you have furniture and/or connections or maybe just have a good eye for decorating and a vision for the lobby and are willing to help give these areas a makeover please contact Beth Murphy at 770-552-1767.

**Teacher's Blogs:** We would like to invite all of you to visit the Blogs of each teacher. All you need to do is go to the Simpson Website and click on "Teachers Blogs." This will open a new world for you. You will be able to visit with each of your student's teachers. You will learn what is happening in each class. This will enable you to become a part of your child's learning process. Please take the time to visit each teacher's Blog on a regular basis. **When visiting the Blog, there is a box to the left of the text where you can enter your email address. Doing this will actually allow each Blog entry to be emailed directly to you!**