



Alpharetta Elementary Eagle Wings



Soaring with Alpharetta Attitude - Ready, Respectful, Responsible

Patricia Reed—Principal

Andy Allison - Assistant Principal

**May We Help?
Feel Free to Call Us
770-740-7015**

**From:
The Principal's Desk.**

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Dear Alpharetta Elementary School Family,

After much thought and with mixed emotions, I have decided it is time for me to retire from my position as Principal of Alpharetta Elementary School. After 38 years (39+ with sick leave) exclusively with Fulton County Schools, my career as an educator has been extremely fulfilling. Please know that I am very excited about my future as I will have more time to spend with my family and friends. I also look forward to having the time to pursue various activities.

My teaching experiences at every elementary grade level as well as various administrative experiences have nurtured my growth and understanding of what it takes to educate and prepare a child for life. Every aspect of my journey has been truly rejuvenating to me personally, and I hope that, I was able to provide guidance and support for the children in my charge along the way. My retirement will be effective May 1, 2011.

By retiring before the end of the school year, this should make it possible for everyone to know who the next principal will be before the summer break. Over the years, I have managed to accumulate a great deal of both vacation and sick leave. Therefore, I plan to go on vacation beginning March 14th and have requested the very capable/experienced, Ellen Knouse, be assigned to AES as interim principal.

My years at Alpharetta Elementary have been exceedingly rewarding. My many positive experiences here, both professional and personal, will always be remembered fondly. It is my hope that you will extend an invitation to me to visit occasionally. These halls and those who have passed through them have made a huge impact on me.

Finally, I would like everyone at Alpharetta Elementary to know how pleased I am to have had the opportunity to serve you. I thank you for your support and encouragement over the past six years. I am excited about this decision and hope you understand and share my excitement as I move on to other (unknown) opportunities. It has been a privilege for me to be a part of a wonderful and caring school family.

Sincerely,

Pat Reed



**AES Business
Partner of the week**



**7955 North Point Parkway
Alpharetta, Georgia 30022
770-642-1933**

Mark Your Calendar for AES Events

Jan 24-Feb 4	Box Top Contest
Jan 28	Fifth Grade Movie Night 6:00-7:45 pm
Feb 1	PTA Executive Board Meeting—Conference Room—9:15-10:30 Chick-fil-A Family Night—5:00-8:00
Feb 4	Bingo Family Fun Night—5:00-9:00 Session 1: 5:00-6:45 pm Session 2: 7:15-9:00 pm
Feb 10	Dream Dinners
Feb 11	4th & 5th grade Book Club During Lunch
Feb 15	Jimmy Johns—4:30-10:00
Feb 21	President's Day Holiday—School Closed—Teacher Workday
Feb 22	Katie Reeves Community Meeting—Alpharetta HS—7am-9:30am
Mar 1	PTA Executive Board Meeting—Conference Room—9:15-10:30
May 2	PK Registration—8:00-2:00
Mar 3	Writing Assessment for 5th Grade Read Across America Day
Mar 4	Dream Dinners
Mar 7-11	Exceptional Children's Week National School Breakfast Week School Board Appreciation Week
Mar 8	Exceptional Children's Show #1—9:00-10:15—café
Mar 9	Exceptional Children's Show #2—9:00-10:15—café I Can Ceremony and Reception—10:15-11:15—Media Center
Mar 11	Weather Make-up Day for Teachers and Students
Mar 13	Day Light Savings Time Begins
Mar 15	Katie Reeves Community Meetings—New Prospect—8:30 Pizza Vito—5:00-10:00



Please join us at Chick-fil-A for a Family Night on

February 1st from 4:30-8:00 at the Windward Parkway Chick-fil-A.

Teacher Times:

4:30-5:30—Sally McCarthy, Colleen Summers, Beth Easterling, Sandra Green

5:30-6:30—Georgia Lister, Jeannie Allen, Joan Mooney, Angie Bryant

6:30-7:30—Shannon Boyd, Caroline Griffith, Pam Lane, Kathy Bloom

Congratulations to Wesley Lipscomb (1st grade) for his Art Reflections entry being selected by the Art Reflections council to advance to the State Competition.

Are you Applying to Private School?

If you are applying to private school and have transcript requests to be processed, please deliver the packet to the front office. When submitting your request, please attach three stamps (do not place on an envelope). Your child's records will then be mailed to the requesting school via U.S. mail. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Hawks at 770-740-7015 X132.



CRCT Schedule Change

The CRCT was originally scheduled for Wednesday, April 20—Thursday, April 28 for grade 3-5. As a result of the loss of instructional days due to snow and ice, the dates for the CRCT have changed. Please mark your calendar for the new dates:

Monday	4/25	Reading
Tuesday	4/26	ELA
Wednesday	4/27	Make-up
Thursday	4/28	Math
Friday	4/29	Science
Monday	5/2	Social Studies
Tuesday	5/3	Make-up
Wednesday	5/4	Make-up
Thursday	5/5	Make-up

It is important to avoid making medical appointments for your children during the CRCT and to make every effort to ensure that students are in school and on time.

Hardship Information 2011-2012 School Year

If you are interested in applying for a hardship for your child to attend a Fulton County School outside your attendance zone for the 2011-2012 school year, please use the link below to complete an application:

<http://fultonschoolsredistricting.net/transferapp2010.aspx>

Please note: The deadline for application submission to the Student Assignment Department is Feb. 15—**NO EXCEPTIONS.**





RECREATION PROGRAM ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE

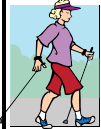


Did you know that recreation and physical activity aids in the learning process in children? Studies confirm that parks and leisure activities improve the quality of life. For the citizens of Alpharetta, this means fresh air, green space, social interaction, health benefits, stress reduction and more!

Especially in children, mild exercise, group activities, and arts & crafts help create positive self-esteem and develop the leaders of tomorrow.

The City of Alpharetta Recreation and Parks Department promotes the benefits of being involved in recreation and leisure activities and encourages everyone to take advantage of the many opportunities to participate in our programs. The 2011 Spring/Summer Leisure Guide, available online at www.alpharetta.ga.us/recreation, includes information on spring classes and camps, summer swim lessons and swim team, summer day camps, fitness programs, and programs for adults age 50 and older. Registration information for 2011 summer, fall and winter youth and adult athletics is also noted in this issue of the leisure guide.

Registration for spring/summer classes begins on Wednesday, February 2nd for City of Alpharetta residents. Open registration begins Wednesday, February 16th. Don't worry if you'll be out of town when registration begins! Online registration is available for most programs. If you do not have an online customer account, you may request one at www.alpharetta.ga.us. Click on City Hall Online, then Online Services, and then Recreation Registration to request a customer account. Registration is also taken in person at any ARPD facility. Enhance the quality of life for you and your family!



ALPHARETTA ELEMENTARY

PRE-K REGISTRATION 2011-2012

REGISTRATION – Wednesday, March 2nd, 8:00 – 2:00

All items must be presented at time of registration.

Items needed:

Immunization form 3231

Eye, Ear, and Dental form 3300

Certified copy of the Birth Certificate

Copy of the Social Security Card or waiver

Affidavit of Residence

Bright From the Start Registration Form

2 Proofs of Residence (utility bill, lease, contract, etc.)

Priority will be given to families living within our own school district.

For further information: Bright From the Start website www.dec.state.ga.us

Enrollment packets will be available after February 23rd.

Redistricting meetings set for new North Fulton high school

Three community meetings are set for February 23, March 16, and April 13 to address the redistricting process for a new high school in north Fulton County. Each will be held at Alpharetta High School, located at 3595 Webb Bridge Road in Alpharetta, from 7-9 p.m.

The high school will be constructed at the corner of Bethany Bend and Cogburn Road and is scheduled to open in August 2012. Existing attendance zones of other North Fulton high schools will be modified to create the new school's attendance zones. Parents, staff, and community members are invited to give input on how the new boundary lines will be drawn. Fulton County Schools uses a process that encourages public discussion before developing a proposal. This allows the community to have maximum input in how the proposed attendance lines are created.

The Fulton County Board of Education is scheduled to vote on the new attendance zones in June 2011. Changes in attendance zones will go into effect when the new school opens in August 2012.

Be sure to check out our on-line calendar at www.fultonschools.org/school/alpharetta as well as the PTA website at <http://alpharettaelementarypta.org>