



PERRY MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

First Semester - First 6 Weeks – September 2018

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Important Dates

September

- 19 Progress Reports
- 28 Return Date for Title I Forms
- 24 Panther Parents Meeting
- 25 Parent Infinite Campus Training

October

- 2-4 Mid Term Exams (7th & 8th grade)
- 5-12 Fall Break/Columbus Day Holiday
- 15 Flu Clinic (9:00-12:00)

November

- 7 Progress Reports
- 12 Veterans Day Holiday
- 19-23 Thanksgiving Holiday

Reminders from the Office

- **Absences** – Parents, please remember to send an excuse if your child is absent from school. If your child has three or more unexcused absences, the office is required to contact you regarding your child’s attendance. **Be sure to include your child’s FULL NAME and the DATE OF ABSENCE.**
- **Early Dismissals** – Students may not be dismissed from the front office after the bell rings at 2:40 pm. If your child needs to leave early from school, please be in the office by 2:30 pm.

Infinite Campus Tips

Parent Infinite Campus Training will be held on Tuesday, September 25 at 10:30, and 5:30

- Your Campus Portal Activation Key comes from www.hcbe.net. Select the “Parent” tab, then select “Infinite Campus”. Choose “First Time Infinite Campus Parent Portal Users – click here”.
- You must set up your Infinite Campus account through a web browser **before** you can use the mobile app.
- When you download the app, enter “Houston County” for the district and “Georgia” for the state.

Chandra Young, Family Engagement Coordinator, 988-6285 ext 22281 or chandra.young@hcbe.net, can assist you with Infinite Campus questions or problems.

Athletics

Please follow our Athletic Department on Twitter @PanthersPerry or Perry Middle Athletics

Club News

Art Club meeting dates for 1st semester

- Sept 18
- Oct 16
- Nov 13
- Dec 11

FBLA Dates:

Meetings - 8/28, 9/18, 10/16, 11/27, 1/29, 2/12, 3/19, 4/23, 5/14

Fall Motivational Rally (Perry Fairgrounds)

- Registration: 9/7/18
- Date of Event: 10/11/18

Fall Leadership Conference (Athens, Ga)

- Registration: 9/22/18
- Date of Event: 11/7/18

Region Leadership Conference (Macon, Ga)

- Registration: 11/14/18
- Testing: 12/5/18
- Date of Event: TBA

State Leadership Conference (Covington, Ga)

- Registration: 1/18/19
- Testing: 2/7/19
- Date of Event: 2/25/19

STARBASE 2.0 Fall Meeting Dates 2018 & Conferences

Weekly meetings on Monday in room 203.

9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5 11/26, 12/3, 12/10

Regional Conference (Byron Middle)

- Date of Event: 12/15/18
- Time: 8:00-4:00

Super Regional Conference (Museum of Aviation)

- Date of Event: 1/26/19
- Time: 8:00-4:00

Student Conference (Museum of Aviation)

- Date of Event (TBA)



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Family Engagement Corner

Welcome to another great year at Perry Middle School! Perry Middle is a Title I School. We are eligible for Title I funding based on our percentage of students eligible for free and reduced lunch. This means we receive additional federal funds for the purpose of improving teaching and learning for students. All students in our school benefit from these funds. Title I requires funds be used for programs that will improve student achievement and include ways to help families help their children to succeed (family engagement). All Title I schools must include family input in the development of a written Parent Engagement Policy.

One way we gather family input is through our Panther Parents group. Perry Middle School invites all families to be part of Panther Parents to share ideas. Our goals are to increase family engagement and build partnerships with school, families and the community. Panther Parents is a group of parents that work together to develop our yearly family activities and Title I documents such as the Parent Engagement Plan and School-Parent Compact. The first meeting of the **Panther Parents** will be on **Monday,**

September 24 at 10:00 and 5:30. We will also do **Volunteer Training** at this meeting.

Our Title I Parent Engagement Handbooks came home with Progress Reports. Please be sure to review this important information. Sign and return the first page of the handbook to your child's homeroom teacher.

Parent Engagement is all about giving families the tools needed to help their child(ren) succeed. One fantastic tool for middle and high school parents, and students, is Infinite Campus. Infinite Campus helps you keep track of your child's attendance, assignments and grades. If you have not already signed up for Infinite Campus or are having problems with your account, please join us on **Tuesday, September 25 at 10:00 or 5:30** in Room 105 for **Parent Infinite Campus Training**. If you cannot attend training, our front office staff will be happy to help you.

The **Family Resource Center** is located in the main office at the front counter. We have academic information for all grade levels as well as information on parenting, Infinite Campus, upcoming events and Title I. Stop by and pick something up any day between 7:00 and 4:00!

Thanks for all you do to make our school a success.

Perry Middle is on Social Media!!

