

WEEK OF APRIL 15th

SPARK FAMILY

NEWSLETTER



Calendar

April 15-19: Teacher Appreciation Week

April 18: Junior ONE Fair

April 18: Fine Arts Night & Maker's Market

April 25: Band & Orchestra Concerts 5-7pm

April 27 & 28: Inman Park Festival

May 14: Field Day

May 20: Kindergarten End of Year Celebration

May 21: 1st & 3rd Grade End of Year Celebrations

May 22: 5th Grade Awards Ceremony and Celebration

May 22: Chorus Concert 5-7pm

May 23: 2nd & 4th Grade End of Year Celebrations



Events

🎨 SPARK Fine Arts Night: Join us on April 18th from 4:30-6:30 PM for SPARK Fine Arts Night!

- Browse artwork from all grades and purchase your child's framed artwork. Preview the artwork [HERE](#).
- Don't worry about dinner! Order Sweet Auburn BBQ to pick up at Fine Arts Night [HERE](#)! **Deadline to order is Monday, 4/15 at 11:59 PM**
- Join us for the unveiling of the new SPARK mural, plus a meet and greet with the muralist, Chaz Clark.
- Browse items from the 5th Grade Maker's Market
- Tour the rooftop garden, have a popsicle and view student projects.
- Enjoy student music performances! Sign-up [HERE](#) to participate!
- We need your help to make this a successful event. Sign-up [HERE](#) to volunteer!

🏟️ SPARK Night at Atlanta United: It was so fun we're doing it again! Get your tickets for SPARK Night at Atlanta United! Come out and celebrate SPARK Night as Atlanta United takes on FC Cincinnati on April 20th at 7:30pm! If attending, you will have the chance to participate in the High Five Tunnel Experience! Tickets are \$50/per person. Email mauryzwolfe@gmail.com AND Venmo @springdaleparkpto for tickets.

📋 Gate Testing has concluded for the 23-24 school year. Eligibility letters will be sent home in Thursday folders on Thursday, May 16th for students who completed first look testing. Eligible students will begin GATE services in August 2024. An informational meeting for new GATE families will be held during the August 2024 Back-to-School Night. Families may refer to the [APS GATE testing video](#) for more details. FAQs and information about the assessments are located [here](#).



Announcements:

👉 Volunteers Needed: We have several volunteer opportunities available for [Teacher Appreciation Week](#) and [Fine Arts Night](#)!

🦋 Inman Park Festival: Save the date for the Inman Park Festival on April 27th & 28th! SPARK is participating in the parade on April 27th at 2pm. We invite all of our SPARK families to join us! Please wear your SPARK T-shirts!

🏢 Georgia Milestones: Georgia Milestones will run April 29th-May 10th. During this time, visitors are not allowed in the building.

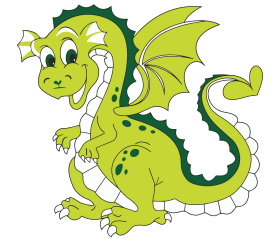
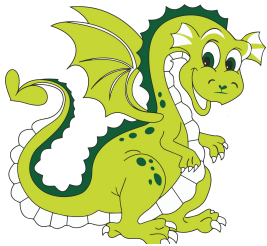
📖 May 23rd: The Midtown Cluster **will not** have an asynchronous learning day on May 23rd. We look forward to seeing your children in the building at SPARK on May 23rd!

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GMAS End of Grade Testing

Dear SPARK Families,

As we embark on the exciting journey of upcoming testing sessions, let's ignite the spark of confidence and determination within our students! As the air fills with anticipation, we want to wrap our Dragons in grades 3-5 in a warm embrace of unwavering support and encouragement.

Picture this: each morning, as your child prepares to conquer the Georgia Milestones ahead, they reach for a sealed envelope, brimming with love and motivation from their biggest cheerleaders – YOU! These envelopes, filled with your heartfelt words, will be their guiding light, igniting a fire of resilience and assurance in their hearts.

Research affirms what we already know: a good night's sleep and a hearty breakfast lay the foundation for success. But what truly sets our students apart is the power of love and encouragement surrounding them. Your affirmations are like magic spells, casting away any doubts and summoning forth their inner brilliance.

And it doesn't stop there! The SPARK team is poised to shower our students with words of inspiration, building a fortress of positivity around them. Together, we'll create an atmosphere buzzing with excitement, where every challenge is met with a confident smile.

So, let's rally together, SPARK families! Let's infuse every moment with boundless enthusiasm and unwavering support. Together, we'll illuminate the path to success, guiding our students toward greatness.

To foster a sense of community and support during testing, our K-2 students will also be "pumping up" their counterparts in upper grades. If you have a K-2 student, be on the lookout for email from your teacher on how you are going to support our older Dragons with testing treats! It takes all of us working together to support our Dynamic Dragons, and we appreciate your support!

Please note that visitors will not be able to enter the building on testing days. However, we warmly welcome you to visit on non-testing days and be a vibrant part of our SPARK community.

Speaking of visiting SPARK, we hope that you will join us for one of our favorite events of the school year, happening this Thursday, Spring Fine Arts Night!

Spring Fine Arts Night will include a student art gallery walk, multiple student art installations, rooftop garden visits, a student Makers Market, musical performances, an unveiling of our newly installed mural and more!

We truly hope that you will join us for this evening of the arts!

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education.

With Love,

Dr. Jennifer Toney