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# DODGEN DATELINE

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PTSA Co-Presidents

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## From the PTSA Co-Presidents:

### *Working Together*

Happy New Year! We hope that you all enjoyed the holidays and are back in the regular routine again! It's hard to believe that half of the school year is over.

Our second annual Dodgen Gives Back Day, December 22, was a success. The students attended an assembly by Jim Jordan. He is a former athlete who found himself the target of bullies. Through magic, humor and a game show atmosphere he shared his message that words and actions can have a great impact on others and it is up to each individual to make a change for the better.

The charity drives focused on the needs of our own community. 8th grade donated to Calvary Children's home. 7th grade to the Cobb County DFCS Foster Children's Secret Santa program. 6th grade donated to the families and children staying in the Cancer Center at Scottish Rite. We thank all of you for your support of Dodgen Gives Back Day. It is amazing what we can do Working Together!

As we head into the upcoming months there are many things on the calendar. Our next PTSA General Meeting is February 7th, 6:30 p.m. We will elect our Nominating Committee and vote on a Bylaws Amendment. This night is also our Panther Preview Night. All rising 6th graders from our feeder schools are invited to see performances by Band, Orchestra, Chorus and Drama and have some ice cream too!

Mark your calendars for March 1<sup>st</sup> for our Health and Safety Committee's Health Fair and Blood drive.

This is also the time of year we ask you to think about participating in Dodgen PTSA as an officer or committee chair next school year. If you are interested or have questions please feel free to contact us.

Marge Cavitt & Clairevon Nixon,  
Dodgen PTSA Co-Presidents

### GENERAL PTSA MEETING - BYLAWS AMENDMENT PRESENTED

#### **Next General PTSA Meeting: Tuesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.**

In accordance with the Dodgen Middle School PTSA bylaws, Dodgen PTSA will be voting at the February 7th, 2012 meeting to amend Article V: Membership Dues; Section 7 by striking out \$5.00 and inserting \$6.00. The rationale behind the increase is based on the increase in dues paid to National and State PTAs. If you have any questions, please contact Marge Cavitt or Clairevon Nixon at [co-president@dodgenptsa.org](mailto:co-president@dodgenptsa.org).



## From The Principal . . .

Dear Dodgen Families,

The middle school years can be a confusing time for parents as well as for students. Other than the first three years of life, this is the time span when the most transformations take place. Your student is becoming more independent, but still needs your support, probably more than ever before. Even though they may act like they don't want you around, it is important to stay involved in their lives and in their education. Research shows that students whose parents are involved in their education are more likely to be successful academically. Below are just a few tips on staying involved with your student's education here at Dodgen:

1. **Find a niche for yourself at Dodgen.** Unlike elementary school, middle school classrooms don't typically need extra adults on hand, but you can volunteer in other ways. There are several clubs and activities that take place at school. If you have a particular interest in a specific activity, find out who sponsors that club or event and ask about assisting.
2. **Do behind-the-scenes work.** If you can't be in school during the day, contact our PTSA about work that you can do on your own from home.
3. **Volunteer to chaperone school dances, or help with Panther Preview Night and other events.** You'll meet other parents, school staff, and feel a real connection to Dodgen.
4. **Go to school meetings and events.** Attending concerts, plays, meetings, and other activities is a good way to become familiar with the Dodgen community. The administrative staff holds "Coffee Talks" several times a year where we discuss current issues at Dodgen and have a very informal open dialogue with parents and community members.
5. **Find out about homework assignments and upcoming tests/projects.** Make sure you check teacher blogs on a regular basis. Teacher blogs are our primary form of communication with our families.
6. **Talk to your student about school.** If you just ask, "How was school today?" you will probably get the standard answer, "Fine." Ask specific questions: "How do you think you did on the math test?" "Did Mr./Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ say anything funny today?" "What are you working on in art?"
7. **Give your student a quiet place to study and do homework.** Find an area in your home that is free of distraction where your student can concentrate on homework (have them turn their cell phones off). Be available to help if your child has questions.
8. **Check your student's homework, but don't do it for him/her.** Offer to check math problems, proofread written papers, and look over spelling words. If you find a mistake, point it out and figure out the correct answer together.
9. **Post a family calendar in a central place.** Write down important school dates, including parent meetings, due dates for projects, and tests. Encourage your student to add to the calendar and to check it daily.

These are just a few suggestions to help you stay involved with your student here at Dodgen. We have several resources here for your student and family. If you have specific questions or concerns, you can contact a teacher, our School Counselors, our Administrative Team, or our PTSA. Thank you for your continued support in all that we do.

For kids,  
Robin



### Dodgen is holding a Health Fair and Blood Drive Thursday, March 1, 4:30-7:30 p.m.

The Fair will be composed of informational booths and interactive demonstrations for parents & teens ranging in topics from Asthma to Zumba. Life South blood mobile will also be on site. A person is able to donate blood if (s)he is 16 years or older, weighs 110 lbs. or more and is in good general health.

For more general information, please visit the Health Fair website: [https://sites.google.com/site/](https://sites.google.com/site/dodgenhealthfair/)

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A message from the Superintendent:

Cobb County School District is committed to providing quality education for all students. Each school in the district has developed a school strategic plan to identify specific goals and activities that will address the unique needs of its students.

Feedback from staff, parents and community members is important to the school strategic planning process. Your participation in School Improvement Survey will provide feedback about the quality of educational services and programs in our schools.

Your responses to the survey are anonymous. Results will be provided to the principals later in the school year and will be used, along with other information, to identify priorities for the school.

We invite you to take a few minutes, respond to the survey which can be found at this link:

<http://www.cobbk12.org/sisurvey>

The survey will be available until February 10, 2012, and should take about 15 - 20 minutes to complete. Your opinions are vital to the future of our schools and through participation in this survey you become active in helping your child's school principal identify critical issues to be addressed.

If you have any questions concerning the survey, please contact the principal at your child's school.

Respectfully,

Michael Hinojosa, Ed.D., Superintendent

### **THANK YOU DODGEN FAMILIES, YOU ARE WONDERFUL!**

The Second Annual Dodgen Gives Back Drive was a wonderful success. The PTSA, along with the Community Outreach Team, cannot thank you enough for your donations this year. Congratulations!

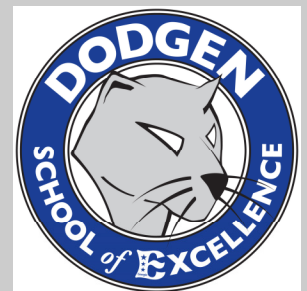
The 8th grade donated approximately \$900 in gift cards to Calvary Children's home. The children were overwhelmed knowing that it was kids their own age thinking of them during the holidays!

The 7th grade donated seventy-three gifts to the Cobb County DFCS Foster Children's Secret Santa program. Their donations gave nine children who were taken into the program the week before Christmas some much needed holiday happiness. At such a difficult and sad time for those nine children, the Dodgen families showed them that they ARE special. The remainder of the gifts are being used for the DFACS Gift Closet, where children are allowed to choose a gift on their birthday. The closet was basically bare before Dodgen Gives Back.

The 6th grade donated over 100 gifts for the families and children staying in the Cancer Center at Scottish Rite. Mary's Merry Christmas Foundation hosted a family dinner for all of the families on December 23rd and decorated each child's room. Santa delivered bags full of gifts to the children and their families on Christmas Eve. Additional gifts were given to the play center and library at Scottish Rite.

Thank you to all involved in the success of this program.

Jonna Kay Ewing, VP Dodgen Middle School PTSA



**Recap From the 2<sup>nd</sup> Appropriations Meeting – Held in November**

The second meeting usually has a lot fewer requests than the first meeting of the year. This year was no exception. We only received ten requests in November. These requests totaled almost \$3000 in cost. All the requests were approved since we had enough money to cover them and because the Committee saw the benefit of each requested item.

The following item(s) were approved by the Appropriations Committee:

The *Ignorance is No Defense Program*, with J Tom Morgan, was funded, at a cost of \$1,000.

176 pairs of safety vent goggles were purchased for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science labs, totaling \$256.

A new, wall mounted locked box for student payments – to be installed outside the main office for \$300.

An additional ping pong table was needed to allow more children access to the sport. The table costs \$445.

Class sets of three paperback novels were purchased for ESOL classes, totaling \$270.

Mental Math Games were purchased for 6<sup>th</sup> grade math classes, for \$33.

Erasable Cool Cubes to help the Spanish and French students master verb conjugation, at a cost of \$56.

\$69 was appropriated to purchase an IPEVO Point document camera for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Math classes. This allows the teacher to project step by step processes and save to a file.

A 10 Days in Asia board game for each 7<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies class. This game helps reinforce geography skills while using strategic thinking. We appropriated \$139 for this purchase.

A World History DBQ Project for all 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies teachers to use to help strengthen writing and critical thinking skills. This purchase totaled \$351.

The final Appropriations Meeting will be held on February 14<sup>th</sup>. We have approximately \$1,000 left for approved requests.

**ECCC PTA Reflections Update**



**PTA REFLECTIONS**

Congratulations and thanks to the many students that entered this year’s Reflections contested themed “Diversity is...” Winners have been selected and several Dodgen students are moving on to the next round of judging. For those students moving on, the ECCC PTA Reflections Reception will be held Tuesday, January 31, 2012, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Kell High School—4770 Lee Waters Road Marietta, GA 30066.

You should have received invitations for the event. If not, contact [Reflections@ecccpta.org](mailto:Reflections@ecccpta.org). Next year’s Reflections theme is “The magic of a moment.” Look for more information in the fall. Here are the 2012-11 Reflections winners from Dodgen:

Sixth Grade—**Grace Z.**- Photography & Literature; **Kseniya S.**- Visual Arts; **Brinkley D.**- Dance.

Seventh Grade—**Erika S.**- Photography; **Rebecca X.**- Visual Arts; **Nathan W.**- Literature.

Eighth Grade—**Katie L.**-Photography; **Xinzhu Y.**- Visual Arts; **Alex M.**- Literature; **Seth R.**- Music.

Special Artist—**Lexie L., Chris C., Chris B., Zachary N., Jason N., Jake T.** -Photography; **Carolyn P.** -Literature.

Several Dodgen students have been selected to move on to the next round of judging at Georgia PTA. Congratulations to those students. More information on the Georgia PTA reception will be provided at [GeorgiaPTA.org](http://GeorgiaPTA.org). Here are the Reflections ECCC PTA winners from Dodgen:

Dance:

**Brinkley D.**

Visual Arts:

**Xinzhu Y.**

Special Artist

Literature:

**Carolyn P.**

Literature:

**Grace Z.**

Special Artist

Photography:

**Lexie L.**

Music:

**Seth R.**

**Chris B.**

**Zachary N.**

**Jason N.**

Photography:

**Grace Z.**

**Jake T.**



**Georgia School Nutrition Association "Let's Move!" Literary Consortium  
University of Georgia Campus April 18, 2012 Inviting all 6th- 8th Graders**

The Georgia School Nutrition Association would like to know your thoughts on the "Let's Move!" Initiative, staying fit and eating healthy. Submit your essay or poem today! Winners will receive prizes and attend a Literary Consortium on the University of Georgia College Campus in Athens, Georgia. Thirty (30) students from four (4) middle schools in Georgia will be selected to attend. In addition to your school winning an exciting field trip to the historical University of Georgia campus, participants will positively influence other students to make good decisions about their health and well-being through sharing their personal essays/poems. They will also enjoy dinner on campus at the beautiful Village Summit dining facility, where they will be joined by UGA student athletes who will speak to them about the importance of eating healthy and staying fit and how these healthy habits allow them to be great athletes and successful students. All consortium participants will receive a certificate of excellence Teacher of 1st place State winning student will receive a \$100.00 gift card

Contest deadline 3/9/12 Intent to participate must be submitted by 2/17/12 Sponsored by Georgia School Nutrition Association and The United Dairy Association.

For contest rules and an application visit: [www.georgiaschoolnutrition.com](http://www.georgiaschoolnutrition.com).

**Eighth Grade Assessment and Registration**

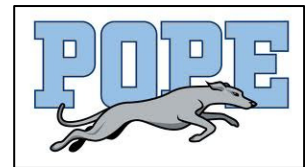
As part of the statewide assessment program, the Grade 8 Writing Assessment was administered on January 18 and 19, 2012. The purpose of the Grade 8 Writing Assessment is to provide diagnostic feedback to teachers, students, and parents about individual performance. Student writing will be assessed analytically in four domains: Ideas, organization, style, and conventions. Domain scores are combined to obtain a total score for each student. Students will be given a total scale score which represents one of three performance levels: does not meet, meets, and exceeds. The county expects the results to be in around mid-March 2012.

On February 2 and 3rd the 8th grade will be taking the 21st Century Skills assessment during their language arts classes. The 21st Century Skills assessment measures student proficiency levels in creativity, innovation, communication, collaboration, research, critical thinking and technology operations.

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**Pope High School**

February 21, 2012 Pope registration materials go home with students.  
February 27, 2012 Pope will host the Parent Curriculum Meeting at 7 PM.  
March 2, 2012 all Pope registration materials are due back at Dodgen.



**Walton High School**

February 28, 2012- Walton registration materials go home with students.  
March 6, 2012- Parent curriculum meeting at Walton HS 6:30 PM  
March 12, 2012-All registration materials due back to Dodgen.



If you have questions please call or email the counselors at:

Ms. Catharine Earl, 7th grade, 8th A-L counselor

770-578-2726 x230

Dr. Pamela DePetro, 6th grade, 8th M-Z counselor



Congratulations to all Dodgen morning ensembles for their outstanding performances this morning at Palmer Middle School for the annual GMEA Solo & Ensemble Performance Evaluation. The Georgia Music Educators Association (GMEA) awards the following ratings for student performances: I- First division rating SUPERIOR; II -Second division rating EXCELLENT; III-Third division rating GOOD; IV Fourth division rating FAIR; and V- Fifth division rating POOR. Medals are award to students scoring in the top two divisions.

ALL students in ALL groups earned a performance medal from GMEA recognizing their achievement! The highest first division rating of SUPERIOR (silver medal) was awarded to our Trumpet Choir, Sax Choir, Clarinet Choir, Percussion Ensemble, Double Reed Choir, and Flute Choir. The second division rating of EXCELLENT (bronze medal) was awarded to the Low Brass Choir. The Jazz Band evaluation will take place in May, and the German Band exceeded the GMEA size limit of 16 with their 30 members and were not involved in the evaluation.

The GMEA Evaluation followed a splendid performance at our Dodgen Fall Band Ensemble Recital presented by all nine groups plus a beautifully performed duet by **Aly S.** and **Shannon K.** The Recital program was as diverse a collection of music as one will ever find on a single concert....everything from Bach to Bebop.

The final All-State Band audition was held in Perry, GA, Saturday, January 7th. Eight of our awesome Dodgen Band students passed the district level audition, awarding them a spot on the final audition roster. The final audition involved the performance of a lengthy, very difficult etude and the sight reading of two very advanced musical exercises, one in  $\frac{3}{4}$  time and the other in  $\frac{6}{8}$  time. The results were announced Sunday evening with five Dodgen Band students being awarded seats in the All-State Band! With over 100,000 middle school band students in Georgia, and only 222 selected between the two bands, the middle school All-State Band audition remains the most competitive music audition of any kind (high school or middle school) in the state! Our five winners are: **Shannon K.**- 1st Chair, Principal Clarinet; **Jonathan C.**- 1st Chair, Principal French Horn; **Aly S.**- 2nd Chair Flute; **Connor B.**- 6th Chair Tuba; **Melanie M.**- 6th Chair Tuba.

A special footnote: There are 15 principal, 1st chair positions, one for each instrument in each of the two All-State Bands for a total of 30. Dodgen Middle School Band students were the ONLY Cobb County middle school band students awarded top, 1st Chair principal positions except for a Bari sax player from McClure Middle School. Our five All-State winners will have a plaque with their picture mounted on the Dodgen Band's Wall of Fame and will spend three days in Savannah for the All-State event during the first week of March. Congratulations to these fine student musicians for this incredible accomplishment!

Sincerely,

Dr. Charles R. Jackson, Director of Bands



For updates on other music related news visit: [Dodgenchorus.org](http://Dodgenchorus.org) or [Dodgenorchestra.org](http://Dodgenorchestra.org)

## Dodgen Band Preparing for Public Performance at Disney World!

There will be a mandatory meeting on February 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Dodgen Theater. All participating band students must attend with at least one parent. Parents will receive a detailed itinerary for the trip along with other valuable information. The meeting will conclude at 8:00 p.m.

### Dodgen Needs Your Help—Send in Your Box Tops!

A big thanks to all for sending in your Box Tops. To date this year your PTSA has earned \$528 through the Box Tops for Education program. Please keep them coming! We are well on our way to surpassing our goal of \$830.

Our next (and last) submission for this school year is March 1, so please drop off your box tops before February 24th. You can send them in with your child to school. The collection box is located in the front hall.

You can find Box Tops for Education on: Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Yoplait, Juicy Juice, Hefty, Kleenex and many, many other familiar products. For a complete list and to print valuable coupons please visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com).



### Dodgen Geography Bee Results

Recently all social studies students in Dodgen competed in the National Geographic Geography Bee.



The school winner for the 2nd year is 7th grader **Sahr S.** Second place went to another 7th grader **Ryan Q.** There was a tie for third place with 8th grader **Frank B.** and 7th Grader **Bryan W.**

Also competing in the finals were 8th grader **Katie L.**, 8th grader **Donian C.** and 7th grader **Nathan W.**

Congratulations to all!

### Summer Show-Offs Camp

Looking for an awesome summer camp? Summer Show-Offs is a summer day camp for K-12th grade students that uses music & performance to build confidence & character.

Camp is at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church Student Center North/South from July 9th-13, 2012, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. daily with a noon show on Friday! For more details and registration: [www.summershowoffs.com](http://www.summershowoffs.com).

### READ ACROSS AMERICA: Celebrated February 27 – March 2 at Dodgen Middle School

"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child." What better way to celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday than reading to a child? On the evening of March 2nd (Dr. Seuss's birthday), Random House and the National Education Association (NEA) urge you to participate in the second annual Read Across America and read to a child.

Also at Dodgen, ask your students if they will be participating in the Hunger Games Series Trivia contest. Preliminary competitions will be held all week with the final competition being held on Friday, March 2, just days before the premiere of the first movie. Special prizes will be awarded. Watch and listen for more details!

### WHY CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS?

Dr. Seuss epitomizes a love of children and learning. Also, his use of rhyme makes his books an effective tool for teaching young children the basic skills they need to be successful. When we celebrate Dr. Seuss and reading, we send a clear message to America's children that reading is fun and important.

**Dodgen's Environmental Club** meets at 8:15 a.m. in Room #749, Mrs. Barkley's Science classroom.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming meeting dates:

Wednesday, February 15

Wednesday, March 21

Wednesday, April 25

### **Dodgen Middle School's Robotics Team Wins First Place and Inspire Award in FIRST® Robotics Regional Challenge Qualifier**

The Dodgen Middle School Robotics Team, known as "Project Ninja," won first place Saturday at the FIRST® Tech Challenge (FTC) Wheeler Qualifier event. The middle school team won the regional competition in which 14 area high school and middle school teams competed. The win qualified the Dodgen Middle School team for a spot in the Georgia state competition on March 3.

In addition, the Dodgen team earned the Inspire Award, which is considered the most prestigious FTC award and is granted to the team that the judges determine truly embodies the challenge of the FTC program and represents a role model *FIRST®* FTCteam.

The Dodgen Robotics Team's mission is to introduce, promote and inspire the community to understand and appreciate STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) in amazing, weird, and fun ways. Generous support is provided by Malon D. Mimms Company, GE Volunteers Foundation, HP, Women in Technology, and Walton Robotics.

### **Cobb Alcohol Taskforce**

Cobb Alcohol Taskforce and Cobb County School District's Prevention Intervention Center are again co-sponsoring a Video PSA Competition for local students! Please help us spread the word - we want lots of great entries again this year! Entry deadline is March 30, 2012 - contest rules and forms can be found on this flyer, which is also posted on our website homepage at [www.cobbat.org](http://www.cobbat.org).

Thanks to Cobb County Commission on Children and Youth for making funds available for cash prizes! There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and viewers choice winners. This is a great way for youth organizations to raise funds while creatively sharing their voice and vision and helping us spread youth messages for preventing under-age drinking.

Winning videos will be posted online and air on local TV stations during April for National Alcohol Awareness month. Winners will be recognized at public event in April, date TBA. Please spread the word to get lots of youth to enter this contest! And check back to view and vote for your favorite entries during the week of April 1-13, 2012 - we will post a link so you can view and vote online then for your viewer's choice.

### **POPE'S HABITAT FOR HUMANITY NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!**

Pope's Habitat for Humanity is looking for Sponsors to financially support the building of Pope's 14th Habitat Home. We must raise \$30,000 in order to build a home this year! Please go to [www.cobbbhabitat.org](http://www.cobbbhabitat.org), click on the "Special High School Plea" tab on the home page. This page tells you about how several of our area high schools are helping build homes. Scroll down to the orange DONATE NOW button and on that page select: Program: Cobb County and Directed Giving: "Cobb Area high school build fund." Remember: all donations are tax deductible! For questions, other ways to donate, and information on how you can help please contact: Tracy Merriman [tracy.merriman@cobbk12.org](mailto:tracy.merriman@cobbk12.org) or Cindy Holland [cynthia.holland@cobbk12.org](mailto:cynthia.holland@cobbk12.org).

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## Panther Preview Night at Dodgen

Tuesday February 7, 2012 @ 6:30

A fun-filled evening is coming this February to highlight the choices in our performing arts departments and the many clubs that are offered at Dodgen.



Many volunteers are needed! To help please email Cindy Krakowski at [ckrakowski@gmail.com](mailto:ckrakowski@gmail.com) or Denise Brown at [denisembrown6@bellsouth.net](mailto:denisembrown6@bellsouth.net) or call 404-457-2037.

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How To Access Destiny:

- Type [cvl.cobbk12.org](http://cvl.cobbk12.org) to get to the Cobb Virtual Library
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- Username is cobb and password is bird
- Click Destiny Library Catalog
- Choose Dodgen from the drop-down menu
- Click Log In to access your account



### Barrington Hall Seeks Junior Docents

The Junior Docent Program is free and is open to all interested and highly motivated school students; ages 13-17. If home schooled, the participant must be at least 13 and have completed the 6th-grade equivalent. This program presents an educational opportunity for students with a passion for history. They will gain an in-depth knowledge of the history of Barrington Hall, the King Family, Roswell's Colony and Roswell, GA., while perfecting public speaking skills, meeting other teens with similar interests, and participating in exciting special events. They will build important community service hours for their college resumes.

Junior Docents will learn how to effectively interpret information learned in training classes. They will learn to present information in a personal, friendly and professional style. They will grow in confidence, develop skills in leadership, and have the opportunity to meet and interact with historians and other museum professionals. Contact Michele Glazer at [mglazer@roswellgov.com](mailto:mglazer@roswellgov.com) or 770-640-3855.

## Dates to Remember

January 31	ECCC PTA Reflections Reception
February 7	General PTSA Meeting & Bylaws Amendment 6:30 p.m. Panther Preview Night
February 8	GA PTA Youth Advocacy Day
February 20	President's Day—No School
February 24	Last day to submit Box Tops
February 28	PTA Day at the Capitol
March 1	Dodgen Health Fair 4:30-7:30 p.m.

## Websites and Emails

**Dodgen Middle School**  
www.cobbk12.org/dodgen

**Dodgen PTSA**  
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**Georgia PTA**  
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Dodgen Middle School—Georgia School of Excellence

### **Vision Statement:**

All children will receive the respect, encouragement, and opportunities they need to build the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to be successful, contributing members of a global society.

### **Mission Statement:**

Dodgen Middle School's mission is to promote academic excellence, individual responsibility, resourcefulness, creativity, mutual respect, and self-esteem in a healthy, nurturing environment.



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