



# Stewart Middle School

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Please visit the school website: [sms.dcssga.org](http://sms.dcssga.org)

## Why Stewart Middle School?

*"Stewart is special because the students and staff work together to create a learning environment that welcomes all stakeholders."*

—Stewart Middle School Partner

## Achievements

- ◇ Increased CCRPI for six consecutive years
- ◇ Named Beat the Odds School for four consecutive years
- ◇ 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2021 County football champions
- ◇ 2019 7th grade girls basketball champions
- ◇ 2019 Mathletes earned 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards in several categories



## Inside the Classroom

The Stewart Middle School campus is comprised of grades 6 through 8 and offers integrated reading and writing in the Language Arts classroom. Stewart offers gifted/advanced content in all the grade levels in the academic core classes.

Stewart students are engaged in the Learning Focused Schools instructional framework where they learn the standards with common core essentials. All teachers use an essential question which is posted in the classroom, an activating strategy, a teaching strategy, and a summarizer that helps students answer the essential question. This consistency in instructional focus helps support our learners.

In addition to the academic core, students at Stewart may take two revolving connections classes each nine weeks. Connections courses include physical education, band, music, Spanish, visual art, careers, and reading. Computer science is available for students in 7th and 8th grades, and AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is offered to students in 6th, 7th and 8th grades.

## Quality Education for All!

## Our Mission

The mission of Stewart Middle School is to provide a quality education for all students in a safe, supportive environment.

## Our Vision

The vision of Stewart Middle School is to build a community of lifelong learners that become responsible individuals, independent thinkers, and productive citizens.

## Principal's Message

*Hello Eagle Family! Welcome to SMS for the 21-22 school year. We are all adjusting to our new normal and as a team, we will have a successful year.*

*At SMS we encourage our students to S.O.A.R. The acronym S.O.A.R. stands for Study, Overcome Obstacles, Achieve, and be Ready! It is our plan at SMS to help ALL of our students SOAR from one grade to the next and ultimately SOAR to high school.*

*Please check our website regularly for updates. We also post updates on Facebook and Instagram. Our Facebook page is J.W. Stewart Middle School and our Instagram is dcstewartmiddle. I personally welcome your questions and concerns so please don't hesitate to reach out to me.*

*I am thankful to be able to start my 23rd year in education and my 4th year as the principal of Stewart. Thank you in advance for your support.*

*Remember that every day, especially today, is a great day to SOAR!*

**-Principal Dr. Donita Cullen**

**Student Enrollment:** 534

**Total Staff:** 68

**Certified Staff:** 45

**% of Certified Staff  
with Advanced Degrees:** 73%

*Numbers for enrollment and staffing current as of 10/21*

To access state-mandated test scores including the Georgia Milestones Assessment System (GMAS), please scan the QR code.

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## Beyond the Classroom

At Stewart Middle School, our goal is to meet the needs of the whole child. We offer a variety of extracurricular clubs and activities, including Reading Bowl, Chess Club, First Priority, Yearbook, Band and Sports.

All students wishing to become part of the athletic teams must maintain a passing grade in all subjects and maintain good school citizenship. The fundamentals of sports stress the desire to be the best, to work hard to improve one's character, sportsmanship, and teamwork. A tournament at the end of the season is played within the Douglas County Conference, with trophies awarded to the county champions. Anyone who meets state eligibility requirements may try out to be a Stewart Middle School athlete.

Junior Beta Club encourages effort, rewards merit, and promotes good citizenship. Meetings are held during school and after school. Membership is by invitation and is based on academic performance.

Other student activities at Stewart include DIVAS, a program for teen girls which provides leadership experience in a sisterhood-type setting. Students who desire to study higher level mathematics may choose to participate in Mathletes and compete in a county-wide competition.

The mentoring program is strong at Stewart and provides students the opportunity to experience a meaningful relationship with a responsible, caring adult role model. The goal of the mentoring program is to help students succeed in school, complete their education, and grow up to be contributing citizens.

