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THE MISSION OF HARBINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*Our mission is to provide students high-
content, engaging schoolwork in an
environment that supports and challenges
them so they learn the Gwinnett Academic
Knowledge and Skills at high levels.*

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RE: SuccessMaker @ Home

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school is using SuccessMaker, an educational software product from Pearson Education Technologies.

SuccessMaker promotes the development and maintenance of essential concepts, strategies, and skills in reading and mathematics while combining content with multimedia to create interactive environments for thinking and reasoning. SuccessMaker monitors each student's performance and selects activities to fit the student's needs with just the right instruction at just the right time. This program is not in a game format. The program presents math and reading skills through questions, and if the child understands the concept, then he/she moves on. If the child misses a question, then he/she is led to the correct answer by providing a tutorial.

Teachers evaluate their students and decide where to start them in SuccessMaker. By evaluating your child's responses to questions, the software further determines the true instructional level for your child. SuccessMaker software is designed to take your child from where he/she is in math and reading and help him/her learn new concepts and skills, as well as review previously introduced skills.

The software is available for home use for \$25.

Before deciding if this program is right for you, please make sure your computer has the necessary capabilities.

- Internet access (dial-up is okay if it's at least 56-kbps)
- a DVD player
- at least 512 MB of memory
- PC users only: Internet Explorer & Windows XP or newer
- Mac users only: (Mac OS 10.4.x with Safari 2.04 and Java Runtime Environment 1.5.x, or Mac OS; 10.5.x with Safari 3.04 and Java Runtime Environment 1.5.x).

The program will be available for you to use at home as long as you have a child in a Gwinnett County Public School, but it is dependent on funding each year by the school system. You are guaranteed access for this year only.

If you are interested in accessing the program from home, send a check for \$25.00, payable to Harbins Elementary School. Your child's teacher will forward this to Mrs. Melissa Clark, one of the technology teachers at Harbins. She will send the kit and instructions home with your child.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact me at school by phone (computer lab: 678-985-4972) or email: Emmett_Mullins@gwinnett.k12.ga.us.

Sincerely,

Emmett Mullins
Technology Coordinator

SuccessMaker at Home Software Order Form

Yes, I am interested in paying the usage fee of \$25.00 to receive the SuccessMaker kit for home use. I understand that this kit will be mine to use for as long as I have elementary age children in a Gwinnett County Public School, and as long as the program is funded by the school system.

You only need one kit per family.

List all of your children who attend Harbins along with their teachers' names:

<i>Student's Name</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Teacher</i>

Parent's Signature _____



**Remember to include a check payable to
“Harbins Elementary” for \$25.**