SM West Newsletter

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Report an Absence: (913) 993-7845

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Important Numbers

Main Office – 993-7800
Student Services Office – 993-7830
Attendance Hotline – 993-7845 Please call this number to report an absence
Spanish Interpreter – 993-8671

Oficina Principal – 993-7800
Oficina de Los Consejeros – 993-7830
Línea de Asistencia 24 horas al día – 993-7845 Por favor, llame este número para reportar ausencia o puede hablar a 913-993-7847 si necesita salir temprano
Intérprete de español – 993-8671

Attendance

Thank you those of you who are calling the attendance hotline at 993-7845 to report an absence.
You can leave a message at anytime. Staff listens to messages and processes them in the order that they are received, so it is suggested to allow at least 30 minutes of time before you need your student released.
Students need to stay in their class until the pass is delivered to them.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Gracias a aquellos de ustedes que están llamando a la línea de asistencia al 993-7845 para reportar una ausencia.
Puede dejar un mensaje en cualquier momento. El personal escucha los mensajes y los procesa en el orden en que se reciben, por lo que se sugiere que permita al menos 30 minutos de tiempo antes de que necesite liberar a su estudiante.
Los estudiantes deben permanecer en su clase hasta que se les entregue el pase.

Gracias por su cooperación.

Schedule Change - NO MORE LATE START THRUSDAYS

The SMSD Board of Education Calendar included Late Starts for all High Schools throughout most of the year.

There will be no Late Start Thursdays for the rest of the year starting the following week. Beginning Thursday April 14th all students will be expected to begin their day in class at 7:40am and for each Thursday hereafter.

VIKINGS

S M W E S T H S 2021-2022

MONDAY

1st Period	7:40 - 8:30	50
2nd Period	8:35 - 9:20	45
3rd Period	9:25 - 10:10	45
4th Period	10:15 - 11:00	45
5th Period	11:05 – 1:00	85
6th Period	1:05 - 1:50	45
7th Period	1:55 - 2:40	45

5th Block Lunch

Lunch A	11:05 - 11:35
Lunch B	11:35 - 12:05
Lunch C	12:05 - 12:35
Lunch D	12:35 – 1:00

TUESDAY

2nd Period	7:40 - 9:15	95
8th Seminar	9:20 – 10:55	95
4th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
6th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

4th Block Lunch

Lunch A	11:00 - 11:30
Lunch B	11:30 - 12:00
Lunch C	12:00 – 12:30
Lunch D	12:30 – 1:00

WEDNESDAY

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5th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
7th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

5th Block Lunch

Lunch A	11:00 - 11:30
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Lunch D	12:30 - 1:00

THURSDAY

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4th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
6th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

4th Block Lunch

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Lunch B	11:30 - 12:00
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Lunch D	12:30 – 1:00

FRIDAY

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3rd Period	9:20 - 10:55	95
5th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
7th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

5th Block Lunch

Lunch A	11:00 - 11:30
Lunch B	11:30 - 12:00
Lunch C	12:00 – 12:30
Lunch D	12:30 – 1:00

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Attention Seniors

An email went out to all seniors and their family members on Wednesday, April 13th with very important information about the end of the year and graduation for seniors. We hope that each of you have taken the time to print the documents and put dates on your calendar.

Highlights:

- ALL SENIORS SHOULD HAVE ORDERED THEIR CAP AND GOWN
- Come up with a plan to pay all outstanding fees/fines
- Senior Finals May 11th, 12, and 13th
- Senior Last Day - May 13th
- MANDATORY Graduation Rehearsal May 13th (approx. 9:00am - Main Gym)

- Senior Sizzle - Sunday, May 15th
- Graduation - Wednesday, May 18th Shawnee Mission South - Seniors need to be at South by 6:20 to check in at the main office doors and report to classrooms to line up.

Below you will find PDF's of the documents that were emailed to seniors.

pdf ALL THINGS “SENIOR” -pdf.pdf Download 69.6 KB

pdf Graduation 2022 important dates 4.5.22pdf.pdf Download 252.5 KB

pdf Final Exam Schedule for seniors MayFY22 4.5.22.pdf Download 147.8 KB

Class of 2022
Welcome Back Grads!
CHRISTA McAULIFFE ELEMENTARY
McAuliffe Elementary
Monday, May 16, 2022
3:30pm-4:30pm
Reception in the McAuliffe Library

Please join us to celebrate the 2022 Sunflower Seniors!

Sunflower SMW Senior Reception
Wednesday May 11th, 2022
Sunflower Elementary School Library
3:30-4:30 pm

SENIOR CLASS OF 2022

JOB FAIR COMING TO SM WEST

ATTENTION SM WEST FAMILIES!

Job & Resource Fair!

Meet & connect with hiring managers and organizations who are recruiting for open jobs! Skilled, Unskilled, 2 & 4 yr degree employers and SM West job seekers welcome!

APRIL 28TH | 1-4:30 P.M.
SM WEST

This event is not just open to our students but to ADULTS in our SM West area! Adult seekers, please arrive between 3-4:30 p.m.

PTSA
every child. one voice.

JAG-K
Jobs for America's Graduates ★ Kansas

The Shawnee Mission West Performing Arts Department presents…

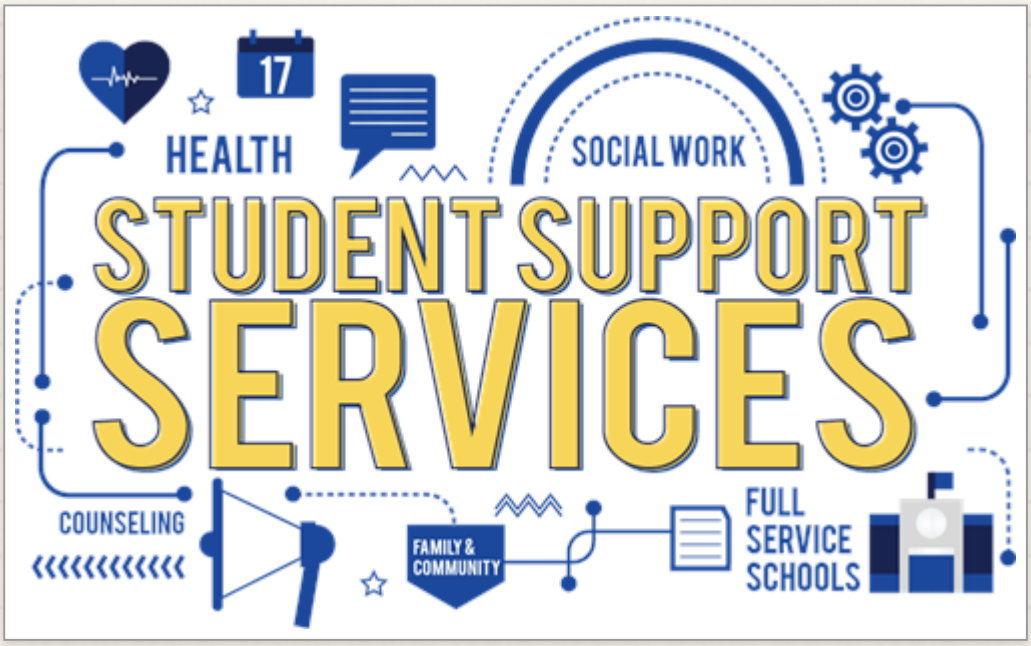
THE NERD
By Larry Shue
November 21 – 23
@7pm
SM West Theatre
Tickets $7.00
Students and Staff are Free with a West ID
Featuring…
Caden Moffitt
Creighton Smith-Alaire
Samantha Wallenburg
Wyatt Myers
Alec Wagner
Tori Riggs
Christian Hanan

Additional FOR THE NEWSLETTER…

PRODUCTION TEAM

DIRECTOR Eric Magnus
SET DESIGN / TECHNICAL DIRECTOR Brandon Scalf
COSTUME SUPERVISOR Jennifer Van-Note Clevenger
LIGHTING SUPERVISOR Chuck Cline
SOUND SUPERVISOR Bill Thomas
STAGE MANAGER Piper Shields*
ASST. STAGE MANAGERS James Collett*
Alyssa Watson*
STAGE MANAGER Piper Shields*

ASST. STAGE MANAGERS James Collett*
Alyssa Watson*
SET CREW James Collett, Crew Chief
Casey Armstrong
Kaitlyn Helser
Lance Her
Geo Lifferth
Phoenix Riesner*
Rachael Schmidt
Lana Skaggs*
Rin Smith
Gwenyth Truelove
Naomi Waddell
LIGHTS CREW Arianna Gonzalez, Senior Advisor
Evan Orme, Senior Advisor*
Ben Phillips, Senior Advisor*
Gabe Corbin
Talise Myers
Sebastian Reyes
Newt Sherrill*
Olivia Frohardt
SOUND CREW Caleb Harris, Crew Chief
Abe Johnson
Amelia Sindt
COSTUME CREW Poppy Croushore, Crew Chief
Kayln Saunders
Phoebe Scala
PROPS CREW Alyssa Watson, Crew Chief*
Andrea Corona, Asst. Crew Chief
Casey Armstrong
Geo Lifferth
Rachael Schmidt
Gwenyth Truelove



Welcome to SM West - Claudia Shriner - Spanish Interpreter

SM West is excited to welcome a new staff member to our Student Services office. Claudia Shriner as joined the West community as our Spanish Interpreter.

You can reach Claudia for assistance at:
993-7840
or claudiashriner@smsd.org.

Notes from SM West Student Services

Clothing Closet Clean Out and Renewal
Please support your West student community with donations for our clothing closet. We are needing the following new or slightly used items:
Leggings, sweat pants, hoodies, girls athletic shorts, tennis shoes

We appreciate you taking into consideration whether the items you donate are something your own teen would want to wear. Donations can be brought to Mrs. Holmes in Student Services by May 20.

Students/Families - Take a moment to open the SMW Virtual Job Board to see what job opportunities are available in our community.

Summer School Enrollment Options
You can choose between e-School (online courses through Edgenuity for $180) OR Summer Academy (in person courses at SM West 7am through noon Monday through Friday for $170). Each program has different courses, expectations, rules, etc. Please check out the district website information for each. Then complete the enrollment form HERE. A counselor from Student Services will call/email you to confirm your enrollment. Questions? Call your alpha school counselor.

Grief Group at SM West
Have you or your student experienced the loss of an immediate family member? Would your student like to participate in a small student support group on grief? Contact Kim Urenda at kimurenda@smsd.org if you are interested or want to learn more about this opportunity.

For a list of upcoming scholarships **click here**
Apply to be a college ambassador here - this is a great resume-builder!
Find all upcoming event sign ups here

If you need help applying for scholarships or have any questions, reach out to your College Adviser at ashlynkirkpatrick@smsd.org AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

Follow @CollegeSMW on Twitter and Instagram for updates, deadlines, and events!

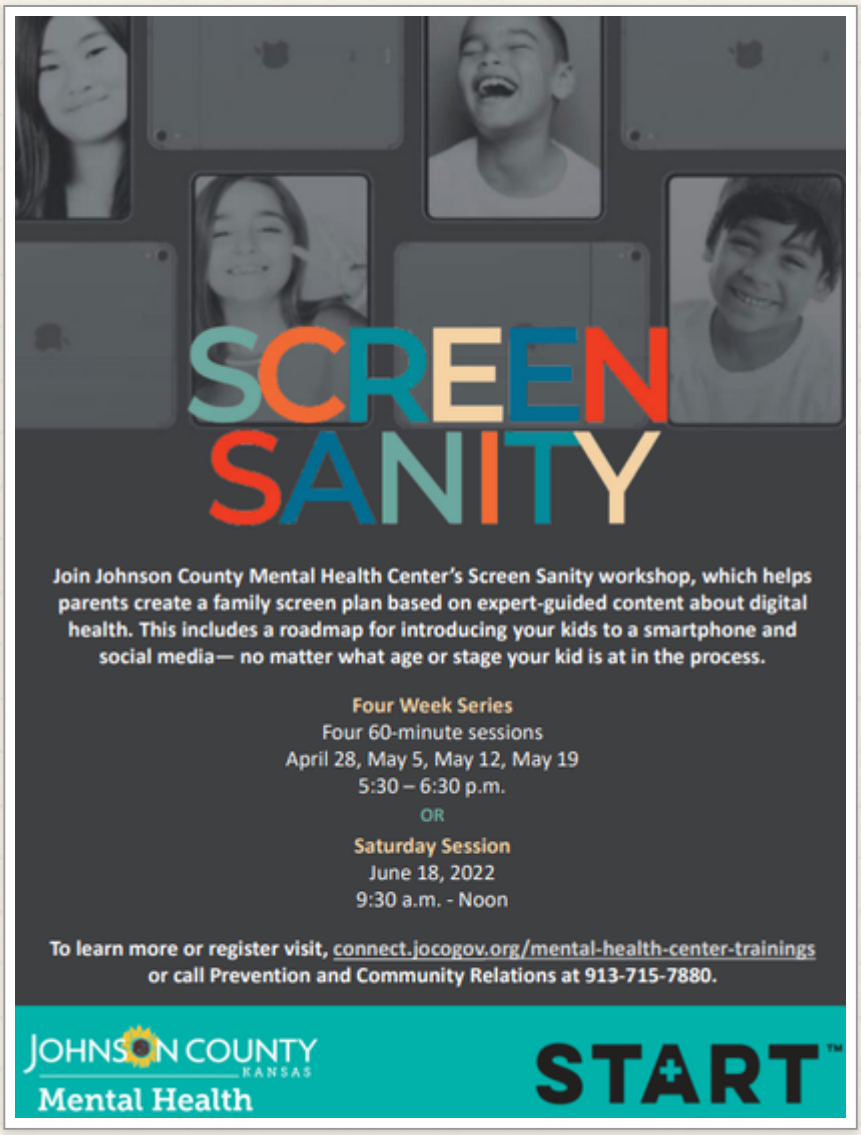
Alpha Breakdown of Counselors:
Laura Raney LAST NAMES A - E lauraraney@smsd.org
Kim Urenda LAST NAMES F - K kimurenda@smsd.org
Katy Reda LAST NAMES L- Rh katyreda@smsd.org
Jamie Heller LAST NAMES Ri- Z jamieheller@smsd.org

From your West Social Workers: Please remember that if you or your child needs some extra support, there are professionals ready to help. Johnson County Mental Health has services for families and teens.
Children and Family Services Brochure
Children and Family Services Brochure en Español
You are always invited to call one of us as well to discuss how we can support your student.

Mary Lea Kieffer A-K 993-7836
Donna Holmes L-Z 993-7832
Please do not ever be afraid to ask for help! We are here for you!

Por favor recuerda que puede contactar a nuestros trabajadores sociales para obtener apoyo adicional.
Mary Lea Kieffer (Alpha A-K) marykieffer@smsd.org 913-993-7836 o
Donna Holmes (Alpha L-Z) donnaholmes@smsd.org 913-993-7832.

Family Support Link **(Enlace de Pedir Apoyo- para su Familia)**
Student Support Request Form (**Enlace para Pedir Apoyo- Estudiante**)



Booster Club - TRASH BAG SALE

Everyone ready for spring cleaning? Now is your time to buy your trash bags to help with all that, while supporting your Shawnee Mission West Booster Club!

All rolls are $12.
Orders open April 13th-April 27th.
All orders will be delivered the week of May 2nd.
https://smwboosterclub.com/trash-bags/

Parents, don't forget to join Shawnee Mission West Booster Club. Use your Booster Club pass to get into Shawnee Mission West home football, soccer, basketball and volleyball games while supporting all West athletes, cheer and dance teams.

This is a great way to be able to support our SM West athletes and enjoy watching the games at a reduced cost if you were to buy at the door.

Here is the link to join the SM West Booster:
https://smwboosterclub.com/purchase-membership/

End of the Year

The PTSA recently had their last meeting of the year. Guest speakers were Laura Harsch and Tommie Davis who talked about the Real World Learning Program sponsored by the Kauffman Foundation and implemented by Shawnee Mission West Real World counselors and team members. There is a link below that will take you to a site that explains this program.

https://www.smsd.org/academics/real-world-learning

The PTSA also awarded four senior scholarships to the following students: (Pictured Left to Right)
Matthew Jansen, Jacob Jansen, Andrew Middleton and Thomas Gunion.
Congratulations to this group of students.

We encourage all of our students and community members to recognized the impact that PTSA has on our staff and students. Please consider becoming a member.

JAG-K

On April 5, 2022, JAG-K games were held in Great Bend, Kansas at Barton Community College to determine the state champions. Phoenix Riesner, our lone competitor from West, competed against several students from across the state including Shawnee Mission North. Phoenix showed up and showed out taking home second place in the Financial Literacy Event! He is headed to Dallas, Texas to compete in the national competition next month. Yay Phoenix!

Repeat Information

STUDENT PARKING

Student Parking is open to registered drivers that are in 10th, 11th or 12th grade.

- If your student needs to purchase a parking pass, please have them see the bookkeeper in the middle office.
- It is very important that all cars in our lot have an appropriate sticker so that they are not ticketed.

Please have your student come to the front office if they have a valid sticker but are driving a different car on a specific day. Many times students might be permanently driving a different car, but can move the sticker and then report the updated license plate number with the Officer at our front door.

If your student does not have a parking sticker, please have your student complete the parking pass form, then bring the form and proof of payment to the front security office to Officer Rushing. She will then give your student a parking pass to be placed on the back driver's side window of their car.

Please remind your student that there are designated staff and student parking areas and they need to make sure they follow all rules and procedures. Security staff will administer tickets for failure to follow rules/procedures.

pdf Parking Registration Form.pdf

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NOTE FROM OUR NURSE

If your student will be in the 11th grade next year Kansas state law requires that they have a 2nd dose of the meningococcal vaccine. Please note that this is also required for many colleges and universities. Your student may also need a hepatitis A vaccine as this is a new requirement being phased in for high schools. Here is a link to all required vaccines for school attendance in Kansas for the next school year: https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/324/Immunization-Requirements
JCDHE (Johnson County Department of Health and Environment) offers an immunization clinic in Olathe (11875 Sunset Drive, Olathe, KS 66061) with no appointment needed.

They are open Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM and Friday 8:00 AM – noon.
https://www.dccca.org/naloxone-program/The opioid crisis and drug addiction have touched many in our community. Any Kansan can request a free naloxone kit (the opioid antidote, which can be given nasally) through the DCCCA group (Developing Caring Communities Committed to Action). Here is the link for more information:
https://www.dccca.org/naloxone-program/

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Performing Arts Newsletter

Good Morning, The link below is the February 2022 Performing Arts Newsletter. Please take time to congratulate your Performing Arts teachers and students for all they have accomplished. Feel free to share this link with anyone who may like reading or listening to it.
https://my.visme.co/view/76x6zmew-feb-2022-pa-newsletter

SMSD R&D Forum

Spring 2022 is the 60th year of the Shawnee Mission School District's Research and Development (R&D) Forum. This year's forum will take place at the Center for Academic Achievement, and will feature a **Student Showcase** and a live-streamed **Pitch Finals competition**.

Final Competition and Prizes:

Applicants chosen as finalists will pitch their *Next Great Idea* to a panel of judges during the morning of April 30, 2022 at the Center for Academic Achievement, 8200 W. 71st St. The pitch competition will be live-streamed so friends and family can participate as well. Top awards are $2,500, of which $1,000 is a cash award to be used by the winner to pursue their passion and education, and up to $1,500 will be awarded as "build it" grants to support making the winner's pitch a reality. A People's Choice category, determined by public voters, will be awarded a $500 prize. There will also be an Idea of Promise award with a prize of $500.

Student Showcase

The R&D Forum student showcase, with display-only and competitive exhibits, will be held in Spring 2022. Students, families, and staff members are encouraged to enter student-created projects, experiments, or art projects to share in this district-wide event. All submissions must be registered and information on how to register can be found online. The deadline to register for the showcase is Friday, March 25, 2022. The Live Pitch competition is scheduled for April 30, 2022.

The SMSD community is invited to take part in this year's 60th R&D Forum by attending the following events at the Center for Academic Achievement, 8200 W. 71st St.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL ART & ALL GRADES SCIENCE SHOWCASE

April 18-21, 2022 - 3:00 - 5:00 - Open House at CAA (entries on display)

April 21, 2022 - 4:00 - 7:00 - Reception for all entrants and families

ELEMENTARY ART & CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) SHOWCASE

April 25-28, 2022 - 3:00 - 5:00 - Open House at CAA (entries on display)

April 28, 2022 - 4:00 - 7:00 - Reception for all entrants and families

NEXT GREAT IDEA LIVE PITCH

April 30, 2022 - Morning - Finalists will present their Next Great Idea to a panel of judges

Public Voting to follow presentations

Afternoon - Awards ceremony for Showcase Entries, Regnier Award

winners, and the Next Great Idea Pitch Competition award winners

About the R&D Forum

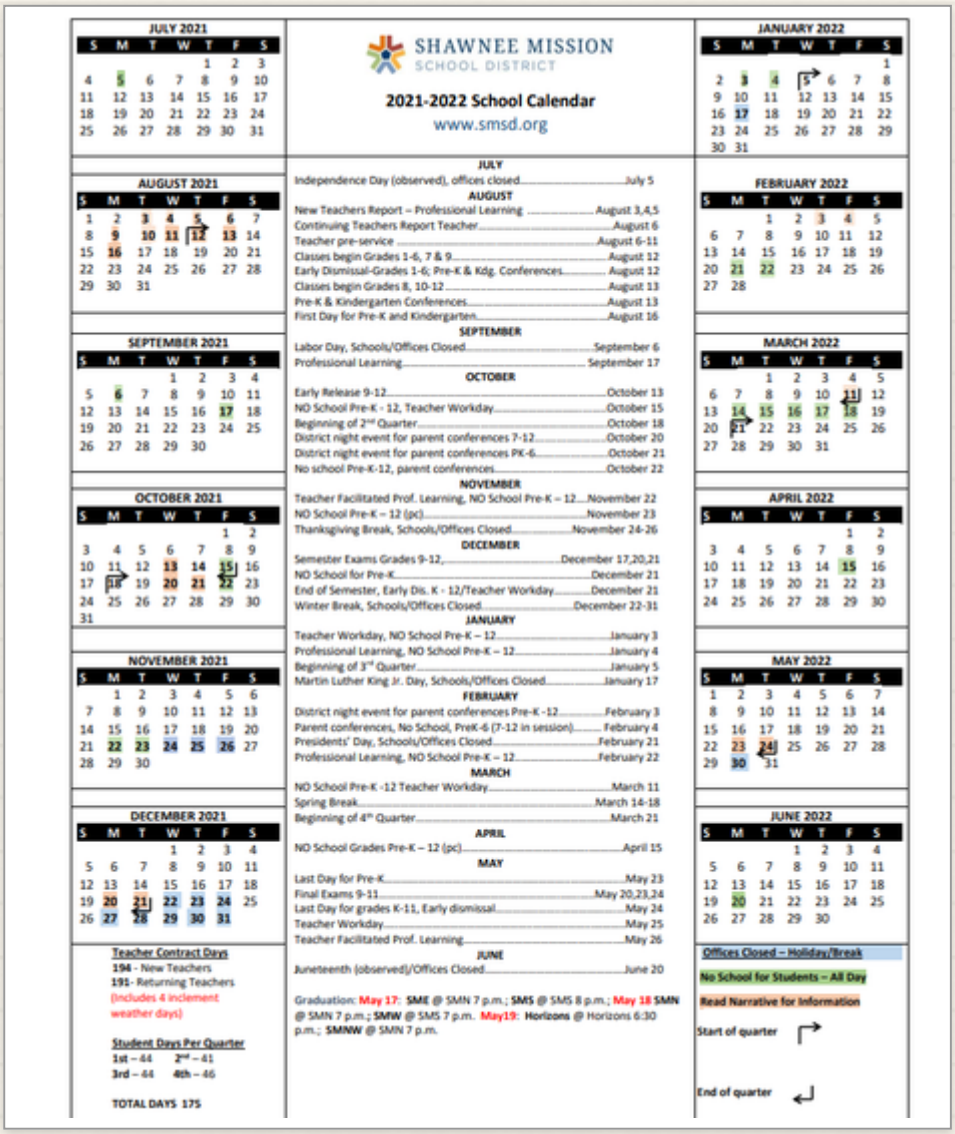
The Shawnee Mission Research and Development Forum celebrates its 60th year in 2022. It is one of the SMSD's biggest showcases of the year!

This annual event has always served as a celebration of student achievement and highlights innovative student projects and talent from across the district.

Sincere appreciation is extended to the Regnier Family for 60 years of generous support for the SMSD R&D Forum.

[Click here for more information and contacts if you have further questions](#).

District Calendar BELOW



SHAWNEE MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT

2021-2022 School Calendar

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JULY
Independence Day (observed), offices closed ..... July 5

AUGUST
New Teachers Report – Professional Learning ..... August 3,4,5
Continuing Teachers Report Teacher ..... August 6
Teacher pre-service ..... August 6-11
Classes begin Grades 1-6, 7 & 9 ..... August 12
Early Dismissal-Grades 1-6; Pre-K & Kdg. Conferences ..... August 12
Classes begin Grades 8, 10-12 ..... August 13
Pre-K & Kindergarten Conferences ..... August 13
First Day for Pre-K and Kindergarten ..... August 16

SEPTEMBER
Labor Day, Schools/Offices Closed ..... September 6
Professional Learning ..... September 17

OCTOBER
Early Release 9-12 ..... October 13
NO School Pre-K - 12, Teacher Workday ..... October 15
Beginning of 2nd Quarter ..... October 18
District night event for parent conferences 7-12 ..... October 20
District night event for parent conferences PK-6 ..... October 21
No school Pre-K-12, parent conferences ..... October 22

NOVEMBER
Teacher Facilitated Prof. Learning, NO School Pre-K – 12 ..... November 22
NO School Pre-K – 12 (pc) ..... November 23
Thanksgiving Break, Schools/Offices Closed ..... November 24-26

DECEMBER
Semester Exams Grades 9-12 ..... December 17,20,21
NO School for Pre-K ..... December 21
End of Semester, Early Dis. K - 12/Teacher Workday ..... December 21
Winter Break, Schools/Offices Closed ..... December 22-31

JANUARY
Teacher Workday, NO School Pre-K – 12 ..... January 3
Professional Learning, NO School Pre-K – 12 ..... January 4
Beginning of 3rd Quarter ..... January 5
Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Schools/Offices Closed ..... January 17

FEBRUARY
District night event for parent conferences Pre-K -12 ..... February 3
Parent conferences, No School, PreK-6 (7-12 in session) ..... February 4
Presidents' Day, Schools/Offices Closed ..... February 21
Professional Learning, NO School Pre-K – 12 ..... February 22

MARCH
NO School Pre-K -12 Teacher Workday ..... March 11
Spring Break ..... March 14-18
Beginning of 4th Quarter ..... March 21

APRIL
NO School Grades Pre-K – 12 (pc) ..... April 15

MAY
Last Day for Pre-K ..... May 23
Final Exams 9-11 ..... May 20,23,24
Last Day for grades K-11, Early dismissal ..... May 24
Teacher Workday ..... May 25
Teacher Facilitated Prof. Learning ..... May 26

JUNE
Juneteenth (observed)/Offices Closed ..... June 20

Graduation: May 17: SME @ SMN 7 p.m.; SMS @ SMS 8 p.m.; May 18 SMN @ SMN 7 p.m.; SMW @ SMS 7 p.m. May19: Horizons @ Horizons 6:30 p.m.; SMNW @ SMN 7 p.m.

Teacher Contract Days
194 - New Teachers
191 - Returning Teachers
(Includes 4 inclement weather days)

Student Days Per Quarter
1st – 44 2nd – 41
3rd – 44 4th – 46

TOTAL DAYS 175

Offices Closed – Holiday/Break
No School for Students – All Day
Read Narrative for Information
Start of quarter
End of quarter

Will your student be enrolling in eSchool?

Some students might be working with their counselors to enroll in eSchool. Here is an important message from SMSD.

"Arena Scheduling" Button in Skyward

Attention Parents: There is a new feature to help with enrolling and paying for eSchool course(s) for the spring 2022 semester. You will see a new tab in Skyward Family Access called "Arena Scheduling." This is for those interested in taking an eSchool course this spring. Others may disregard this.
For more eSchool information please refer to our webpage here: https://www.smsd.org/academics/eschool.

En Español: Algunos estudiantes podrían estar trabajando con sus consejeros para inscribirse en eSchool. Aquí está un mensaje importante del districto:

Botón "Arena Scheduling" en Skyward
Atención Padres: Hay una nueva característica para ayudar a inscribirse y pagar el curso(s) eSchool para el semestre de primavera de 2022. Verás una nueva pestaña en Skyward Family Access llamada "Arena Scheduling." Esto es para aquellos interesados en tomar un curso de eSchool esta primavera. Otros pueden ignorar esto.

Para más información sobre eSchool por favor consulte nuestra página web aquí: https://www.smsd.org/academics/eschool.

Tardy Policy

Tardy Action Plan 2021-2022:

1. 2 tardies = Teacher has a student conference (Teacher Documents in Skyward)
2. 3 tardies = Teacher 15 min detention + parent contact (Teacher Documents in Skyward)
3. 5 tardies = Admin sends automatic warning email sent home through Skyward
4. 10 tardies = Admin assigns 1 hour detention and parent contact (Admin Document in Skyward)
5. 20 tardies = Admin assigns 2 hour detention and parent contact (Athletes miss 1 game/activities)
6. 30 tardies = Admin assigns 1 day of ISS and parent contact (Admin Document in Skyward)
7. 40 tardies = Admin assigns 1 day of ISS and parent conference (Admin Document in Skyward)
8. 50 tardies = Admin assigns 2 day of ISS and passing privileges removed (Admin Document in Skyward)

*Every 10th tardy = 1 day of Unexcused Absence

Please use the attendance hotline to report an absence or late arrival. Please allow 30 minutes to process an early dismissal.

993-7845

SAIL Tutoring

The SM West after school SAIL Tutoring program is open to all of our SM West Students.
Tutoring is offered on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays this academic year and according to the SMSD school calendar.
Students should report to the cafeteria and can partake in a free snack.
See the fliers below for specifics.

Bus Transportation is available and travels along the main corridor of 87th street.

SHAWNEE MISSION WEST

Sail Tutoring

SAIL TUTORING IS AN AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM FOR ALL STUDENTS.

MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Math	ELA	Math
Science	Social Studies	ELA
Electives	Electives	Electives

Tutoring will take place on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:50-4pm. It starts in the Cafeteria. Bus transportation and a snack will be provided.

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

SAIL TUTORING DATES

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We hope that all students take advantage of this free tutoring opportunity. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Capper at kelleycapper@smsd.org

Health Partnership Clinic Open at SM West

Health Partnership Clinic

A school-based health clinic for all Shawnee Mission School District students and their siblings (3 to 20 years old) SM West High School, 8800 W. 85th St.

The clinic will be open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursdays, except when school is not in session.

Health Partnership Clinic (HPC) and the Shawnee Mission School District are partnering to provide access to primary and preventative health care, chronic disease management, mental health services, and dental care to district students and their siblings.

For more information about the Health Partnership Clinic, or to schedule a medical appointment, Shawnee Mission School District parents should call 913-648-2266.More

information also is available here.

Services will include:

Physical exams
Sports physicals
Immunizations, including vaccines for COVID-19
COVID testing
Age-appropriate health screenings
Preventative education
Referrals to specialty services
Sick visits
Management of acute and chronic problems and mental health services
Dental Care including screenings, fluorides, and restorative care

Most insurance plans are accepted, including KanCare/Medicaid. As a community health center, HPC offers a sliding-fee discount program which is based on income and household size. Fees are waived for students experiencing homelessness. Free medicaid and Marketplace insurance enrollment will also be available.

“The idea is to break down barriers to health care,” Shelby Rebeck, health services director for the Shawnee Mission School District shared. “Barriers for many of our students include low income, lack of knowledge, lack of transportation and parents’/guardians’ inability to take time away from hourly jobs. Health Partnership provides a tremendous opportunity for our students to receive critical health care so they can be successful in school.”

The clinic offers pediatric-focused care to treat most health conditions that affect children and adolescents, Amy Falk, HPC’s chief executive officer shared.

“We basically function as a doctor’s office, but in a school building,” Falk noted. “Services are available in person or virtual, and walk-ins will be accommodated if the schedule permits. The primary goal is to provide easy, immediate access to quality and affordable health care.”

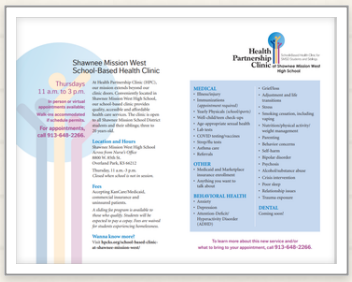
The goal is to serve as a medical home for students and offer an additional access point to primary care, Wael S. Mourad, MD, MHCM, FAAFP, and HPC’s chief health officer, shared.

“Beyond a focus on primary health care, it is important we meet the social and emotional needs of children and adolescents to help them reach their individual potential,” Mourad added.

The clinic will open across from the nurse’s office at SM West.

"The Shawnee Mission School District and Health Partnership Clinic are an example of how two organizations can come together to help improve the lives of children,” says Steve Loe, principal of Shawnee Mission West High School. “The school-based health clinic will greatly expand the resources of our school nurse and social worker and help support our goal to have every student succeed.”

Please take a moment to download the press release/fliers for more information. (The PDF attachments are larger images of the pictures below.)



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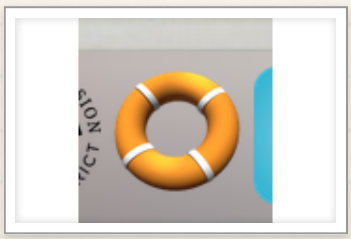


If your student has an issue with technology we ask that you FIRST try to do some independent problem solving.

1) Try going to the SM West Website to look at the **Technology Rescue Site**. This google site has many solutions that students can do at home to problem solve their tech issues.
2) Go to the "Lifesaver" icon on your browser bar. This takes you to the SMSD Help Desk to complete a Help request.
3) BE PATIENT. Please wait for a staff member to call you down to the library for assistance. Please be assured that staff are working very hard to meet the needs of all of our students.

Español:
El 16 de agosto, el personal y los voluntarios distribuyeron MacBooks a los estudiantes. Si su estudiante no recibió un MacBook, por favor sea paciente. Nuestro personal de tecnología está trabajando continuamente para resolver problemas y solucionar problemas técnicos para que todos los estudiantes tengan un MacBook que funcione.

Si su estudiante tiene un problema con la tecnología, le pedimos que PRIMERO intente resolver algunos problemas de forma independiente.

1) Intente ir al sitio web de SM West para ver el sitio de Technology Rescue Site (Rescate de tecnología). Este sitio de Google tiene muchas soluciones que los estudiantes pueden hacer en casa para resolver sus problemas de tecnología.

2) Ve al icono "Salvavidas" en la barra de tu navegador. Esto te llevará al Servicio de ayuda de SMSD para completar una solicitud de ayuda.

3) SEA PACIENTE. Espere a que un miembro del personal lo llame a la biblioteca para pedir ayuda. Tenga la seguridad de que el personal está trabajando muy duro para satisfacer las necesidades de todos nuestros estudiantes.

Canvas

Canvas is an educational and information portal that our teachers use to post assignments, curriculum content, calendars...and more. All students will have a Canvas Portal that will house the pages from their teachers. Parents can also sign up as an Observer in Canvas. Observers can link their Canvas account to their student's account so they can see assignment due dates, announcements, and other course content. Observers can view the course content but cannot participate in the course.

The smsd.org website has a tremendous amount of information and guides to help parents learn more about Canvas.
Use this link to access these instructional guides:
https://www.smsd.org/academics/digital-learning-initiative/canvas/parents

Fee Payment

PAYMENT OF FEES

Thank you to those families who were able to come up to school for fee payment or made payments online. Efunds will continue to be active for online payments.

EFUNDS LINK

You may also come to our offices from 7:00am-3:30pm to make payments.

Our Bookkeeper is also available to answer questions via email or phone.

Cristina Seyler cristinaseyler@smsd.org 993-7810
Timely payment of fees as well as the development of payment plans allows for the instructors to have available funds to purchase materials necessary for the beginning of the school year. Sunflower Insurance and KanCare do cover a portion of the fees. Please reach out if you have questions.

Food Service Announcement

Food Service welcomes every student to enjoy FREE school breakfast and lunch for the 2021-22 school year.
Once again, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has put into effect nationwide waivers allowing school food service departments to continue to serve healthy school meal options free to all students.
There are no Free & Reduced Meal Applications for 2021-22 school year since meals are FREE for all students.
Families are encouraged to complete a Household Economic Survey (HES) as part of the Parent Online Verification available on Skyward sometime in July. The purpose of the HES form is to assist families and our district in the upcoming year.

- Even though all students will be able to eat breakfast and lunch at no cost this year, the HES form generates additional state funds for our schools.
- If your family qualifies, the district will receive funds to help support programs providing additional support for learners with a variety of needs.
- Additionally, qualifying on the HES provides other benefits to families which may include free/reduced transportation fees and preK enrollment. If families do not complete the HES, State funding for our school district may be reduced.
- **Do not complete the HES form if you are Directly Certified to receive free meals.** If you receive state assistance, call the SMSD Food Service office before completing the HES form.

Eligibility determination will be made according to the guidelines established by the Kansas Department of Education. Please contact the SMSD Food Service office with any questions. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.
Monitor student meal accounts by visiting SchoolCafé. You'll need to set up username and password. There are multiple benefits to this new software including the ability to:

- View your child's account balance anytime.
- Access direct certification information
- See exactly what a la carte items are being purchased.
- Set limits on a la carte purchases.
- View Menus with nutrient and allergen information.

SchoolCafe Link: https://www.schoolcafe.com/

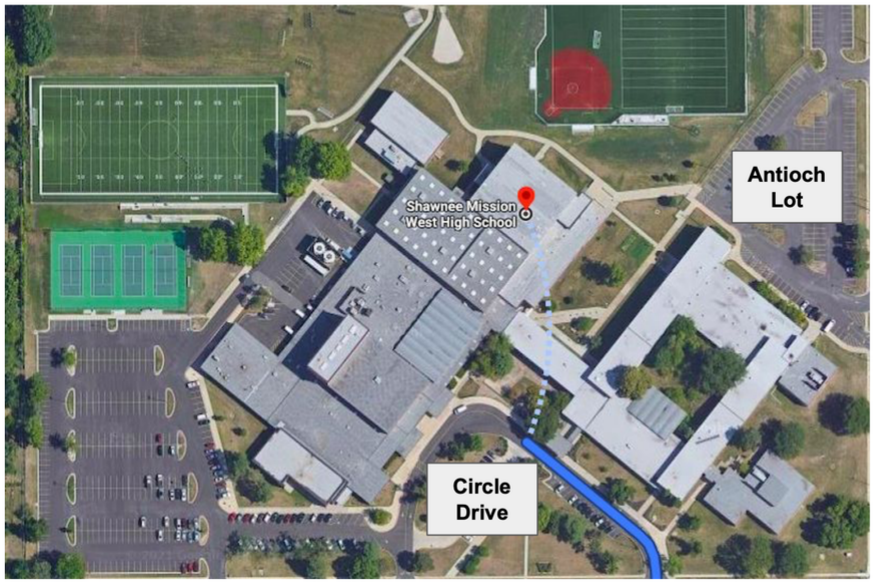
Add funds to your students' account for a la carte items through EFunds applicaiton.
EFunds Link: https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55790

A Reminder from Food Service

FOOD SERVICE

A LA CARTE PURCHASE IN SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Each student may receive one breakfast and one lunch meal for free each day. Students may purchase additional food & beverages ala carte such as an extra slice of pizza but the student must have money on their account or cash in hand to purchase ala carte items. Students will not be allowed to charge ala carte items. Parents can use School Café to set low account balances, set limits for ala carte purchases and more. Parents can make payments to their students' food service account by sending money with their student, by credit card online through E-Funds or by calling the Food Service office with a credit card. With supply chain interruptions, the items available ala carte may be limited depending on availability.



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JoCo Library has free live homework help until 11pm and other nifty live homework assistance at https://www.jocolibrary.org/research/homework-help-teens.
The ecard registration is at https://www.jocolibrary.org/using-the-library/getting-started.

En Español: JoCo Library tiene ayuda en vivo gratis hasta las 11pm y otra asistencia en vivo.

El registro del ecard se encuentra aquí

Thank you to our West community. Your patience and your positive attitude are much appreciated!!!