

SM West Newsletter

Thursday, Nov. 11, 2021 - Issue #14



Contact Information

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Overland Park, Kansas 66212

<http://smwest.smsd.org/>

Phone: (913) 993-7800

Fax: (913) 993-8099

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 – 993-7840

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 una ausencia

Intérprete de español – 993-7840

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.



SM West PTSA

PTSA Spirit Wear Sale store is open again until November 18. Provider intends to have product delivered before Winter Break.

LINK: https://smw2021.itemorder.com/sale?read_message=true

If you are not yet a member, the link below will allow you to sign up.

[PTSA MEMBERSHIP LINK](#)

Thank you! **Senior Parents Help Plan Mr. Viking and Senior Sizzle**

Parents are needed to help plan and organize these two big senior year events. Mr. Viking is a night of fun and talent as seniors compete in the Mr. Viking Pageant! Money fundraised from Mr. Viking is used for Senior Sizzle, our drug and alcohol-free event on seniors' last day of school. If you would like to volunteer for either, or both, events contact Tracy Johnson at tracykjohn1970@gmail.com.

Contact either Co-President if you have questions or need assistance.

Co-President - Eric Forssberg

eaforssberg@yahoo.com

Co-President - MariaPurviance

zakeox@hotmail.com

¡Gracias por unirse! Esperamos un gran año 2020-2021.

Comuníquese con el Copresidente si tiene preguntas o necesita asistencia.

Copresidenta - Eric Forssberg

eaforssberg@yahoo.com

Copresidente - Maria Purviance

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2021-2022 PTSA Membership Form Doc 2.pdf

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Translated copy of 2021-2022 PTSA Membership Form Doc 2[1].pdf

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Attention
Juniors

ATTENTION JUNIORS WANTING TO TAKE THE ACT

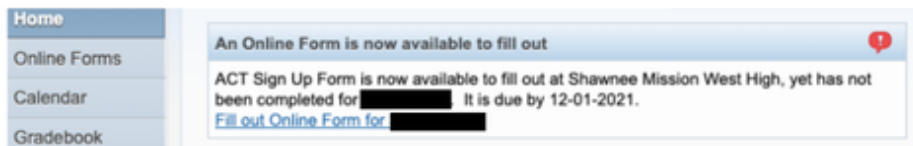
The state of Kansas has agreed to pay for ALL juniors to take a REAL ACT on Tuesday, March 1st during their school day. This is a savings for you as a family of \$60. It is a great opportunity but **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Your student must sign into their Skyward account to **register for this test by December 1st**. We have attached screenshots and steps to do this but you must make sure you *click the SUBMIT buttons at the bottom of each page throughout the process*.

If you have questions, please contact your alpha school counselor at 913-993-7830. Thank you!

The state of Kansas has agreed to pay for ALL our juniors to take a FREE ACT test on March 1st during their school day. WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SIGN UP. HERE ARE THE STEPS.

Please sign up for the FREE ACT for juniors only BEFORE December 1st. Your student will need to log into Skyward. There is a message for them at the top of the page that looks like this:



The screenshot shows a notification banner at the top of a Skyward interface. On the left is a sidebar menu with links: Home, Online Forms, Calendar, and Gradebook. The notification banner has a blue header that says "An Online Form is now available to fill out" with a red exclamation mark icon. The main text of the notification states: "ACT Sign Up Form is now available to fill out at Shawnee Mission West High, yet has not been completed for [redacted]. It is due by 12-01-2021." Below this text is a blue link that says "Fill out Online Form for [redacted]".

Click on the "Fill out Online Form for Student Name." A new window will open and you need to click "NEXT".



The screenshot shows a window titled "ACT Sign Up Form". The main content area contains the following text: "The ACT Assessment is available at NO COST for: --> ANY student in grade 11 --> Tuesday, March 1, 2022. Please click on Step 1 ACT Signup Form to fill out the form. Then click on Step 2 to COMPLETE and SUBMIT the sign up form to your counseling office." On the right side of the window is a sidebar menu with two items: "1. ACT Sign Up Form" and "2. Complete ACT Sign Up Form". At the bottom of the sidebar are two buttons: "Next" and "Close and Finish Later".

AFTER clicking "Next", this screen will appear. You will need to click on "YES" or "NO" in the dropdown. THEN GO TO BOTTOM OF PAGE TO SUBMIT. You need to submit, or your response will not be recorded.



The screenshot shows a page titled "Step 1. ACT Sign Up Form (Required)". The main content area contains the following text: "The ACT and WorkKeys Assessments are available at NO COST for: --> ANY student in grade 11". Below this text is a "Print" button and a "View Full Screen" button. On the left side of the page is a logo for Shawnee Mission School District. In the center of the page is a heading that says "State Funded ACT Testing". Below this heading is a section titled "The ACT assessments are available at NO COST for" with a bullet point: "• ANY student in grade 11". Below this is a paragraph: "Tests will be administered on specific school days in 3rd quarter. Review information from your scho". Below this is a line of text: "ACT Test - Tuesday, March 1, 2022 7:40 AM - 11:45 AM". Below this is a paragraph: "Please indicate whether you wish to participate in this free opportunity." At the bottom of the page is a dropdown menu with the text "ACT Testing".

After this page, a new window opens, and you must SUBMIT again. Then you are registered for the ACT on Tuesday, March 1st during the morning. Thank you for your help in registering for this great opportunity!

SMSD currently looking for new staff members

SHAWNEE MISSION
STUDENTS NEED YOU!

NOW HIRING

> Paraprofessionals and Aides<
> Food Service<
> Custodial<

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

> PAID HOLIDAYS<
> RETIREMENT PLAN<
> PAID SICK LEAVE<

Join our SMSD Team!
Apply today at smsd.org

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

> HEALTH INSURANCE<
> ON-SITE HEALTH FACILITY<
> FREE FITNESS CENTER<

Help our students achieve
unlimited possibilities!

Shawnee Mission West Patrons & Families,

If you are interested in making a positive difference at the school in the West Community, we have several job openings at Shawnee Mission West and could use your help. We currently have the following positions open in Food Service, Paraprofessionals, and English Language Learners. The hours for positions are 7:15a-3:00p for paraprofessionals and ELL Support Staff.



- [Food Service \(work hours may differ\)](#)
- [Paraprofessional Openings](#)
- [ELL Support - you do not need to be bilingual](#)

The hours for these positions are 7:15a-3:00p.

In addition, you would receive the following employee benefits:

- Health Insurance
- On-Site Health Facility Access For You And Your Family
- Free Fitness Center
- Paid Holidays
- Retirement Plan
- Paid Sick Leave

If you are interested you can click the link below to apply and please let me know if you have any questions.

- [Click this link to apply](#)

For more information, contact:

- Associate Principal, Stan Anderson at Shawnee Mission West, 913-993-7800 or 913-993-7812/stananderson@smsd.org
- Dr. Jarius Jones, Director of Classified Human Resources, at 913-993-6200.



NOTE FROM OUR NURSE

From the nurse's office:

As we enter cold and flu season please take the time to review our current protocols for when a student should stay home: If your student has new symptoms of COVID-like illness (which can often be similar to colds and flu), please have them stay home and call the nurse (913-993-7816). ***Please do not send your student to school.*** Symptoms of COVID are listed here:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

If your student has new symptoms of COVID-like illness SMSD protocol requires ONE of the following:

1. A negative PCR COVID test (SMSD offers **free** PCR testing for all students, staff and family members who have symptoms). **Please note that rapid, antigen and home test results are not accepted for returning to school.**
2. A doctor's note indicating student is cleared to return to school.
3. Student stays home for 10 days from the start of symptom (absences will be excused).

Call Marni Bollella, RN at 913-993-7816 for information regarding testing, COVID symptoms or any other concerns.

Students who are vaccinated for COVID and develop symptoms still need to follow this protocol; multiple cases of COVID have been reported at SM West in vaccinated individuals.

Please be patient if the nurse contacts you with questions or concerns about your student.

Thank you for your partnership.

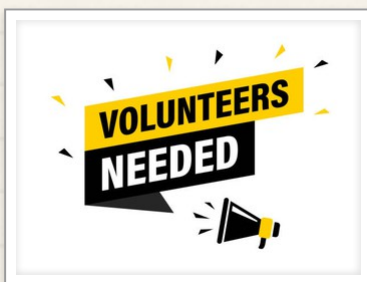
Marni Bollella, BSN, RN, CFRN

School Nurse, Shawnee Mission West

marnibollella@smsd.org

(913)993-7816 (office)

(913)993-1483 (fax)



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers Needed to Help During School Day on Nov. 15

Future Now Finance is a financial simulation that allows students to "live" a month in their preferred vocation. The students visit various booths to select and pay for their living expenses.

Volunteers are needed to assist the students with their "purchase decisions". *No previous experience is necessary. Volunteers will be provided with instructions and any needed materials for their booth.

You can volunteer for as little as an hour. If it sounds like an activity you would like to be a part of, please take a moment to review the sign up and reserve your spot(s) today. For questions, contact Shawnta Jefferies at 913.993.7859.

[2021 Future Now Finance](#)

ATTENTION SENIORS

It is time to start thinking about Graduation.

The SM West class of 2022 graduation ceremony is scheduled for Wed., May 18, 7:00pm at SM South Stadium.

Packets from the Balfour company were distributed at a recent senior meeting. If you need one, you can pick one up in the Student Services Office.



Balfour Representatives will be AT SCHOOL one more time this semester to take orders and payment.

(If you wish to participate in the graduation ceremony the only REQUIRED Purchase is the cap/gown/tassel/stole unit which is \$30 (tax included).)

Nov. 9th - During lunch a representative will be on the bridge.

VERY IMPORTANT

All Seniors need to take a moment and use the link below using their smsd gmail account to complete the Senior Google Form. The information on the google form will help in the ordering of diplomas as well as the pronunciation of names at the ceremony in May.

<https://forms.gle/gZWztw3N8uNcwx7N7>

The document below (English and the Spanish versions) outline some of the important dates leading up to graduation. More information will be forthcoming during 2nd semester as we progress towards graduation day.

Please encourage our seniors to continue to work hard and finish strong.



important dates 10.19.21.pdf

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Graduation important dates 2022 Spanish.pdf

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Yard Sign Sale Is Back

SHAWNEE MISSION WEST

Yard Sign Order Form

Yard Signs 18"x18" sign on white PVC \$45 for Yard Sign (includes 1 rider)
Riders 3"x18" white PVC \$8 for Each Additional Rider

Riders are available for any school activity
 Also comes with: Steel T-bar stake & "S" hooks

Rider Examples:

ANIME CLUB	COSTUME CREW	HOCKEY	STUCO
BAND	CROSS COUNTRY	HONORS	STUDENT COUNCIL
BASEBALL	DANCE	JAZZ BAND	SWIMMING
BASKETBALL	DANCE TEAM	JOURNALISM	TENNIS
BOWLING	DEBATE	LACROSSE	THEATER
CHAMBER CHOIR	DIVING	NAHS	THESPIAN CLUB
CHEER	DRAMA	NEWSPAPER	TRACK
CHEERLEADER	DRILL TEAM	NHS	Varsity Cheer
CHEERLEADING	DRUM LINE	ORCHESTRA	VIDEO PRODUCTION
CHOIR	DRUM MAJOR	PHOTOGRAPHY	VOLLEYBALL
CLASS OF 2022	FCA	SENIOR	WINTERGUARD
CLASS OF 2023	FOOTBALL	SOCCER	WRESTLING
CLASS OF 2024	FORENSICS	SOFTBALL	YEARBOOK
CLASS OF 2025	GOLF	STATE CHAMPS	(OR CUSTOM)



Circle selection above or write custom here: _____

Customer's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Students's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

SELECT OPTION: _____ Yard Sign w/1 rider \$45 _____ Rider ONLY x 1 \$8
 _____ Yard Sign w/2 rider \$53 _____ Rider ONLY x 2 \$16
 _____ Yard Sign w/3 rider \$61 _____ Rider ONLY x 3 \$24
 _____ Yard Sign w/4 rider \$69 _____ Rider ONLY x 4 \$32
 _____ Yard Sign w/5 rider \$77 _____ Rider ONLY x 5 \$40

Please make checks payable to SW West Volleyball

Cash also accepted (Sorry, no Venmo)

Please mail order form to:
 Robin Thomas
 15507 W 94th Ter
 Lenexa, KS 66219

Questions? Contact Robin Thomas
 913-575-6649
 robt6649@gmail.com

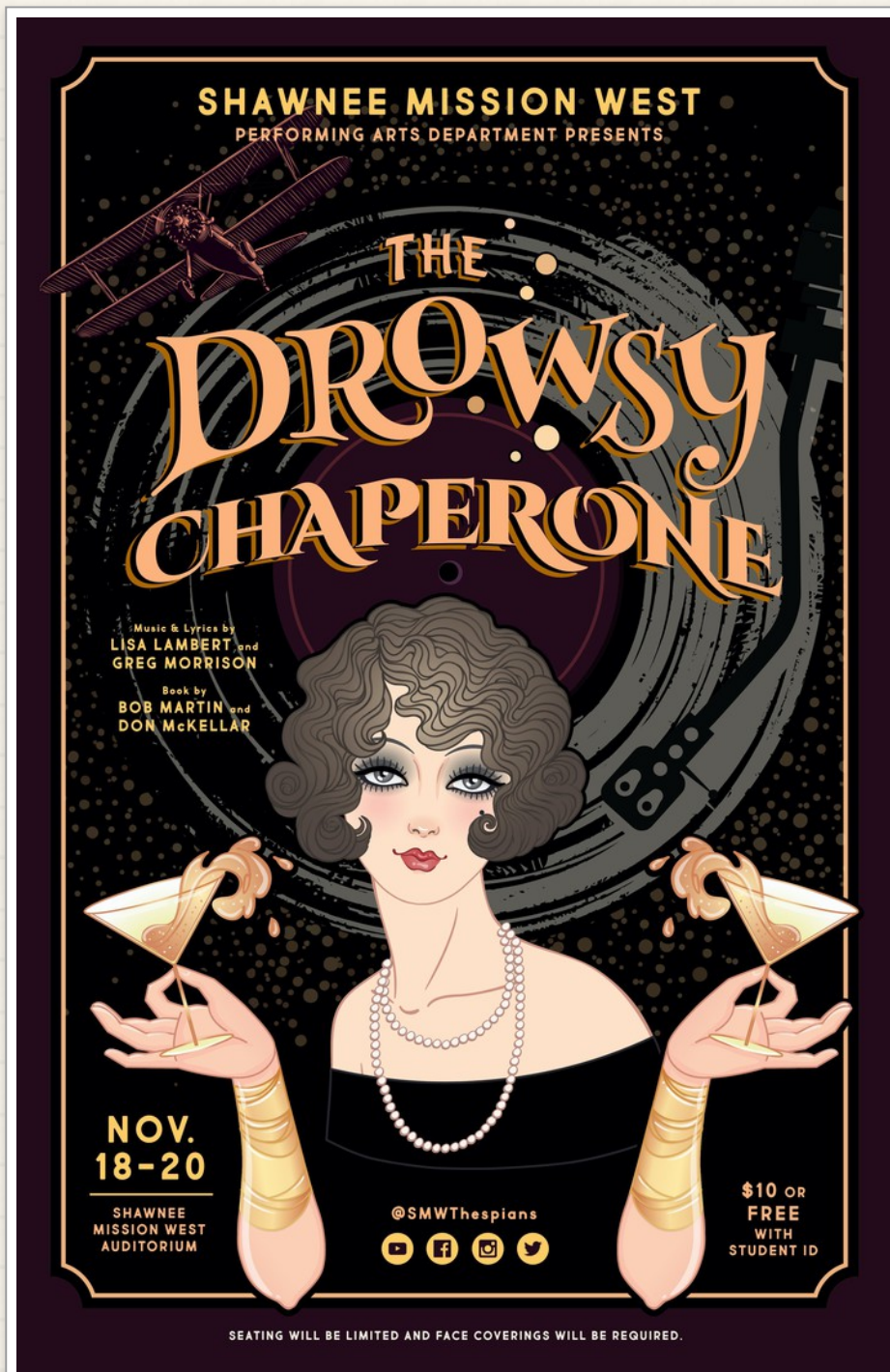
Orders must be received by November 29th
 Estimated delivery is 12/27 to 1/10 for orders received by 11/29/21
 Orders received after 11/29/21 will be delivered in April



Yard Sign SMW Nov 2021[1].pdf

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The Shawnee Mission West Performing Arts Department and Thespian Troupe #2413 present...

THE DROWSY CHAPERONE

Music & Lyrics by Lisa Lambert & Greg Morrison

Book by Bob Martin & Don McKellar

NOVEMBER 18, 19 & 20

SM WEST Auditorium

Tickets: \$10.00

Or Free with West Student ID

SYNOPSIS:

With the houselights down, a man in a chair appears on stage and puts on his favorite record: the cast recording of a fictitious 1928 musical. The recording comes to life and *The Drowsy Chaperone* begins as the man in the chair looks on. Mix in two lovers on the eve of their wedding, a bumbling best man, a desperate theatre producer, a not-so-bright hostess, two

gangsters posing as pastry chefs, a misguided Don Juan and an intoxicated chaperone, and you have the ingredients for an evening of madcap delight.

CAST

MAN IN CHAIR Creighton Smith-Allaire

MRS. TOTTENDALE Tori Riggs*

UNDERLING Caden Moffitt*

ROBERT MARTIN Will Edeal*

GEORGE Jackson Deardorff*

FELDZIEG Alec Wagner*

KITTY EmmaLouise Kirkendoll*

GANGSTER #1 Wyatt Myers*

GANGSTER #2 Mason Shultz

ALDOLPHO Tate Jackson*

JANET VAN DE GRAAFF Faryn Clevenger

THE DROWSY CHAPERONE Claire Deardorff*

TRIX THE AVIATRIX / ENSEMBLE Alyssa Watson*

SUPERINTENDANT / ENSEMBLE Phoenix Riesner

ENSEMBLE

Kessler Cash, Jette Dunker, Aspen Galloway*, Maggie Johnson, Ava Myers, Newt Sherrill*, Aubree Smith & Gwentyth Truelove

PRODUCTION TEAM

DIRECTOR Mr. Eric Magnus

MUSIC DIRECTOR / CONDUCTOR Mr. Derek Cross

MUSICAL SUPERVISOR Mr. Curtis Mulvenon

CHOREOGRAPHER Ms. Valerie Martin

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR Mr. Brandon Scalf

SET DESIGNER Mr. Bruce Adams

LIGHTS SUPERVISOR Mr. Chuck Cline

SOUND SUPERVISOR Dr. Bill Thomas

COSTUME SUPERVISOR Mrs. Jennifer Clevenger

ASST. TECHNICAL DIRECTOR Mr. Ethan Crapser

ASST. CHOREOGRAPHER Ms. Katherine Allison

REHEARSAL ACCOMPANIST Mrs. Emily Rowland

STAGE MANAGERS

James Collett*

Kat Bozick*

SET CREW

Piper Shields*, Crew Chief

James Collett*, Crew Chief

Georgia Forssberg, Olivia Frohardt, Sam Myers, Chloe Pemberton, Lana Skaggs*

COSTUME CREW

Phoebe Scala, Crew Chief

Poppy Rose Croushore, Signe Hansen, Alex Taylor*

PROPS CREW

Kat Bozick*, Crew Chief

Casey Armstrong, Caiden Downey, Lance Her, Kayln Saunders, Rin Smith

LIGHTS CREW

Evan Orme*, Crew Chief

Arianna Gonzalez*, Crew Chief

Ben Phillips*, Asst. Crew Chief

Piper Dickinson, Abe Johnson, Talise Myers, Sebastian Reyes

SOUND CREW

Caleb Harris, Crew Chief

J. Castillo, Gabe Corbin, Olivia Cushman, Katheryn Madsen, Amelia Sindt

ORCHESTRA

Mrs. Emily Rowland Keyboard 1

Calista Loss Keyboard 2

Sierra Boyd Flute / Piccolo

Victoria Major Flute / Piccolo

Maddie Crowder Clarinet

Livia Dutcher Clarinet

Zoey Isom* Saxophone

Kamryn Yates Saxophone

Trip Palmer Clarinet / Saxophone

Hannah Caudillo Trumpet

Lauren Houghten Trumpet

Gael Salas Trumpet

Olivia Bodestab Trombone

Kylie Burton Bass

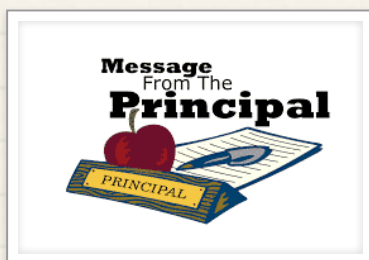
Adri Muller Percussion

Ethan Fritz

Kyson Wakefield Drums

**Member of Shawnee Mission West Thespian Troupe #2413*

THE DROWSY CHAPERONE Orchestra



Letter from Principal Loe - this is copied from a Previous email sent to our community

Viking Families,

Hope all is well! We just wrapped up our first quarter of the year. Thank you to our students for working hard as they get back to a more normal routine. It hasn't been easy, but student effort is evident. Remember, at the high school level, Quarter 1 grades are really a progress report. Students still have time to improve grades, if that is a concern. The semester grade is the final grade that will go on the transcripts.

Parents and Guardians, we could use your help with a couple items. First, student tardies are an issue. Our West Tardy Policy is listed in the Newsletter for you to review. Our administration is working hard to conference with students and apply

consequences in hopes to curb this behavior. We'd like your help in monitoring your student's tardies, because being on time is an important life skill.

You will find attached to this email a guide to how you can view your student's attendance through Skyward at any time as well as to sign up for automated updates to your email when your student is tardy or absent from a class. We anticipate that the partnership between staff and parents will be cohesive and unified as we work with our students to improve.

Second, we have some issues with some of our Viking students leaving campus during late start on Thursday mornings and hanging out at Price Chopper. This has led to some theft, minor vandalism, and disrespect to Price Chopper employees. Most of our students are doing a great job during late starts, but we need to address those who are not behaving. West administration will be at Price Chopper to help monitor the situation, but parents and guardians, please reinforce to your students the need to be respectful to our Price Chopper neighbors. Price Chopper is not a place to hang out on late starts. We have breakfast and games at West, so our students should be on campus.

Thank you for your continued support of SM West.

Steve Loe

Principal – SM West High School

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



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.





Notes from SM West Student Services

From our College Advisor: Ashlyn Kirkpatrick

University scholarship deadlines are quickly approaching! I

have included scholarship deadlines at Wichita State, Pittsburg State, University of Arkansas, and Kansas State. If your student is applying (or has applied) elsewhere, you should check the school website for information on scholarship deadlines. As always, sign up forms FOR ALL EVENTS can be found at

<https://linktr.ee/CollegeSMW>

Important Dates

November 1st: Pitt State & Wichita State scholarship applications due

November 2nd during seminar: Miami University virtual admission rep visit

November 5th: Deadline to register for the December ACT

November 9th during seminar: IN PERSON Rockhurst admission rep visit, virtual St. Olaf & University of Minnesota rep visit

November 9th 6:30-8:30pm: FAFSA help at JCCC

November 10th 3-6pm: Drop-in FAFSA Completion at SMW (in English & Spanish)

November 15th: University of Arkansas priority scholarship deadline

November 16th during seminar: Virtual Cleveland University-Kansas City, Northwest Missouri State, and Donnelly College admission rep visits

November 30th during seminar: virtual K-State and KCKCC admission rep visits

December 1st: Kansas State scholarship applications due Application Week & Prize Info!!

The last week in October (Oct 25-29) is Application Week! Seniors applying to colleges/trade schools or joining the workforce after graduation have an opportunity to win up to \$70 in prizes!!

1. For each college/trade/job application, you will earn ONE entry in the drawing.
 1. There will be FIVE "Level 1" winners who will get their pick of a \$10 prize
 2. There will be THREE "level 2" winners who can choose a \$20-25 prize (including a Brita pitcher, an Echo dot, a bath robe, and MORE!)
 3. There will be TWO "level 3" winners who can win up to \$45 worth of prizes
 4. And there will be ONE lucky GRAND WINNER who can win up to \$70 worth of prizes

You can find google forms to submit college/trade school/job applications and a full list of prizes on <https://linktr.ee/CollegeSMW> under the "Application Week Info & Prizes" tab.

Every student considering postsecondary education (including 2-year/vocational/trade schools) should file the FAFSA. We have several FAFSA events throughout the month of October or you can contact your College Adviser, Ms. Kirkpatrick for help.

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

ACT REGISTRATION: Remember your senior has the opportunity to take the ACT through the National Testing Site at www.act.org three times here in the fall. We highly recommend you register early as these dates and testing centers can fill up quickly. JUNIORS - we recommend you take the "official" ACT in the spring semester. The state of Kansas is paying for all SM West Juniors to take the test this spring on March 1st. We will register your students for that here at school and send out more information closer to the dates.

The fall ACT Test dates:

November 5, 2021 registration deadline for December 11, 2021 test date.

ACT Register online: www.actstudent.org

Cost of tests: ACT \$60 and ACT Plus Writing is \$85.

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)

WINTER SPORTS

Winter sports season kicks off on Monday, November 15. Tryouts will begin right after school. Completed physicals and concussion forms must be on file in the athletic office to be cleared for participation.

For more information, check out the new Shawnee Mission West Athletic Department website. Please visit <https://shawneemissionwestvikings.com/> for all things related to Viking Athletics.

You can find sports schedules on the athletic department website. For the most accurate sports schedule information first try: www.sunflowerleague.org

Thanks,

Todd McAtee, CAA

Shawnee Mission West High School

Athletic Director

(913) 993-7843

toddmcatee107@smsd.org





SHAWNEE MISSION
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Youth Equity Stewardship

Student Leadership Series



A student leadership opportunity, 5 off-site leadership sessions, work collaboratively with teachers and other students from your school and throughout SMSD.

An opportunity to gain perspective and a wider diversity lens for recognizing and eliminating educational disparities.

A mindset centered on growing empathy at the personal and organizational levels.

A model that builds leadership capacity and multi-generational collaboration to support authentic school improvement efforts.

Learn more and apply!



**HISPANIC
COLLABORATIVE**



2022 KC BIZ FEST

HOSTED BY



**JOHNSON COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**Wednesday - Saturday
FEBRUARY 16 - 19**

**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO
PARTICIPATING 2022 BIZFEST STUDENTS**



**CAPITOL FEDERAL
CONFERENCE ROOM
REGNIER CENTER BUILDING
12345 COLLEGE BLVD.,
OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210**

**APPLY
FOR
2022 KC
BIZ FEST**

**DUE FRIDAY
DEC 3 2021**



**CONTACT
FOR INQUIRIES**

mjimen10@jccc.edu
emmedina@olatheschools.org
<https://sites.google.com/view/kc-bizfest>

**2022 KC BIZ FEST
APPLICATION**

**HISPANIC
COLLABORATIVE**

2022 KC BIZ FEST

Wednesday - Saturday
FEBRUARY 16 - 19

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO
PARTICIPATING 2022 BIZFEST STUDENTS

BizFest is a four-day intensive life-skills and business techniques training event for high school students in the Greater Kansas City Metropolitan area. By attending KC BizFest, students gain entrepreneurial experience, economic literacy, and improved skills in math, reading, writing, and verbal communication while gaining workforce readiness when creating feasible business plans.



LEARN
MORE
ABOUT
BIZ FEST



BY VISITING

The Greater Kansas City
Hispanic Collaborative

**2022 KC BIZ FEST
APPLICATION**

DUE DECEMBER 3, 2021

APPLY
FOR
2022 KC
BIZ FEST



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FOR INQUIRIES**

mjimen10@jccc.edu
emmedina@olatheschools.org
<https://sites.google.com/view/kc-bizfest>



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12345 COLLEGE BLVD.
OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210**

Need help with Thanksgiving dinner?

#givehope Thanksgiving Outreach

Pick up turkey/ham and groceries

Monday, Nov. 22, 2021
5-9PM

City Center Church
17500 W 87th Street
Lenexa, KS 66219

Call your school social worker to sign up!



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

Math
Science
Electives

WEDNESDAY

ELA
Social Studies
Electives

THURSDAY

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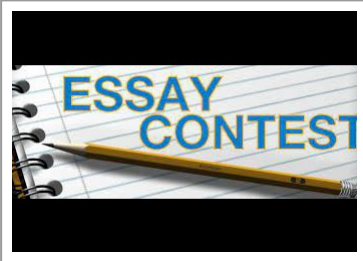
We hope that all students take advantage of this free tutoring opportunity. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Capper at kelleycapper@smsd.org



Performing Arts Newsletter

We are excited to share about the events and resources the Performing Arts Here is the link for the Performing Arts October Newsletter.

<https://my.visme.co/view/4dyr97pq-october-pa-newsletter>



FRA Americanism Essay Contest

Please download the PDF below if you are interested in participating in an essay contest.

Good luck.



FRA Essay Contest 2021-2022.pdf

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Latinos of Tomorrow

SM West has started a new student organization: Latinos of Tomorrow. Students of all backgrounds are welcome to join us. The dates of our future meetings are on the attached poster

SM West ha empezado una nueva organización estudiantil:

Latinos of Tomorrow. Los estudiantes de todo tipo pueden reunir con nosotros. Las fechas de nuestras reuniones están en el poster apegado.

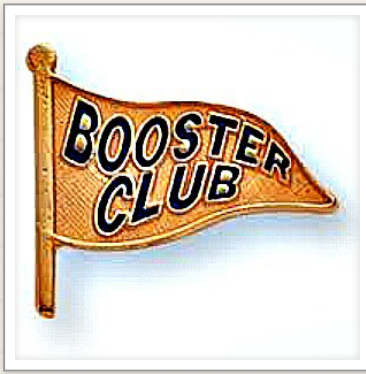
Questions/Preguntas: Talk to Ms. E or Ms. Urenda





Message about Tele-Health Appointments

In keeping with the Shawnee Mission School District's current guidance for Fall events during the 21-22 school year, external building visitors, including outpatient treatment case managers and clinicians, are not allowed in schools during the school day. This also applies to tele-counseling and virtual, web-based appointments. The expectation is that while students are in school they are engaged and in class, lunch and/or seminar. Parents/Guardians scheduling appointments for students during the school day should attempt to do so before or after school hours. Where an appointment must take place during school hours, the parent/guardian should contact the school attendance center so their student can be called out of class/school for the appointment. Thank you for your understanding and adherence to this expectation.



Booster Club

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/>

Class Schedule

On regularly scheduled days:

Students should arrive at school no later than 7:35am to allow time to get to their first class.

The school day ends at 2:40pm. All students should be off campus shortly thereafter unless they are participating with a coach or a sponsor for an extracurricular activity.



On Late Start Thursdays:

Classes on Thursdays will begin at 8:50am. **It is important to know that bus service pick up times WILL NOT CHANGE.** Students who need to ride the bus will be invited to sit on the bridge, cafeteria, or gym until classes begin. Students who drive or have access to a ride will not need to arrive until a time reasonable so that they can get to class by 8:50am.

MONDAY

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

**5th Block Lunch Schedule**

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

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

4th Block Lunch Schedule

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

1 st Period	7:40 - 9:15	95
3 rd Period	9:20 - 10:55	95
5 th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
7 th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

5th Block Lunch Schedule

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

THURSDAY

LATE START – PLC	7:30 - 8:45	75
2 nd Period	8:50 - 10:25	95
8 th - Advisory	10:30 - 10:55	25
4 th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
6 th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

4th Block Lunch Schedule

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

FRIDAY

1 st Period	7:40 - 9:15	95
3 rd Period	9:20 - 10:55	95
5 th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
7 th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

5th Block Lunch Schedule

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SMW 21-22 Bell Schedule (Late Start)[1].pdf

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SM West Theatre

JOIN THESPIANS / DRAMA CLUB

Click on the link below and join our GOOGLE CLASSROOM page at...

<https://classroom.google.com/c/Mzc2ODAxOTU4NDcx?cjc=m6tkiyk>

HEY PARENTS! JOIN SPOTLIGHTERS

Did you know there is a parent group at Shawnee Mission West dedicated to fostering the performing arts known as Spotlighters? If the adults in your life are interested in learning more, please share the following information.

We meet the first Monday of each month.

Come and check it out to learn more about all we do to support these great programs!

We have a website that will share events and upcoming dates.

<https://smwspotlighters.com/>

We're also on Facebook and Twitter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to any of the following board members:

Co-Presidents:

- Stephanie Watson - sjwatson60@gmail.com

- Courtney Moffitt - moffitt5some@gmail.com

Membership: Charlotte Wallenburg - mwallenburg@yahoo.com

Secretary: Kristie Orme - kristieremsterorme@gmail.com

Treasurer: Becca Wagner - becca.wagner@yahoo.com

VP Programs:

- Jan Good-Bollinger - jgoodbollinger@gmail.com

- Katy Myers - katy.myers@yahoo.com

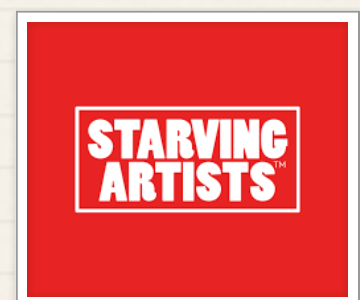
VP Publicity: Jennifer Clevenger - jeninote@clevengerfamily.net



Starving Artists Club

Mrs. Amanda Courtney would like to invite interested students to:

Starving Artists - a collective of students interested in the creation and interpretation of art, literature, & media - will begin meeting in Room 128 w/ Courtney starting September 9th; we will meet each Thursday thereafter. Join us or email amandacourtney@smsd.org for more details!





Health Partnership Clinic Open at SM West

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,

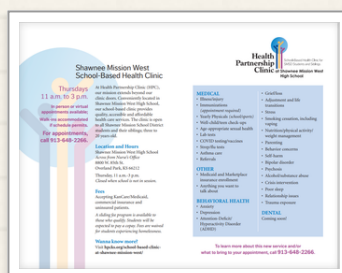
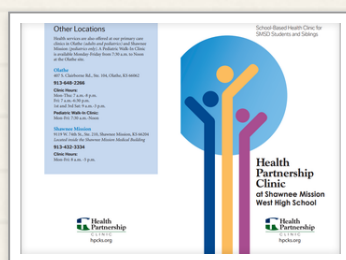
"We basically function as a doctor's office, but in a school building," Falk noted. "Services are available in person or virtual, and walk-ins will be accommodated if the schedule permits. The primary goal is to provide easy, immediate access to quality and affordable health care."

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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HPC Spanish Brochure.pdf

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STUDENT PARKING

Student Parking is open to registered drivers that are in 10th, 11th or 12th grade. Parking passes are \$60 for the academic year and you can pay online through efunds or have your student bring payment to the bookkeeping office.

Please have your student complete the parking pass form, then bring the form and proof of payment to the front security office to Officer Garlington. He will then give your student a parking pass to be placed on the back driver's side window of their car.

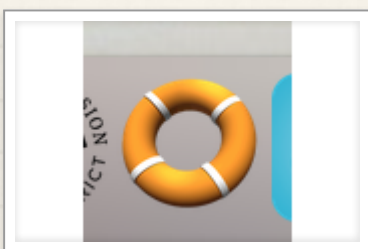
Please remind your student that there are designated staff and student parking areas and they need to make sure they follow all rules and procedures. Security staff will administer tickets for failure to follow rules/procedures.



Parking Registration Form.pdf

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Technology and MacBook Help

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.

SENIOR OPEN LUNCH

On Tuesday, Aug. 17th, an email was sent to the Parent's/Guardians of all SM West Seniors in regards to the Senior Open Lunch Opportunity.



Only Seniors are given the privilege to leave campus during their lunch time, but each of them need to have a Parent Permission form on file. Parents were sent a Google Form link via email. Please use this link to complete the form for your senior. The email address MUST come from a Parent email and not a student email.

If you are the parent/guardian of a senior and did not receive the email link, you may email jennifersilverstein@smsd.org.

Español:

El martes, 17 de Agosto, un correo electrónico fue enviado a los padres/ Guardianes de todos los SM West Seniors en lo que respecta a la Senior Open Lunch Opportunity (Comer Afuera de la Escuela durante Almuerzo).

Sólo a las personas de 12 grado se les da el privilegio de salir del campus durante su hora de almuerzo, pero cada uno de ellos necesita tener un formulario de permiso de los padres en el archivo. A los padres se les envió un enlace de formulario de Google por correo electrónico. Utilice este enlace para completar el formulario para su superior. La dirección de correo electrónico DEBE venir de un correo electrónico de los padres y no de un estudiante.

Si usted es el padre/tutor de un anciano y no recibió el enlace de correo electrónico, puede enviar un correo electrónico jennifersilverstein@smsd.org.



SMAC PTA CLOTHING EXCHANGE

August - December 2021



The Shawnee Mission Area Council PTA Clothing Exchange offers gently used clothing and shoes from infant to adult sizes. The Exchange is a free service open to those who live within the SMSD boundaries. All are welcome. If school is not in session, the Clothing Exchange is closed. www.smsd.org

SCHEDULE

4:30pm-7:00pm	9:30am-12:00pm
THURS, AUG 19	
	FRI, AUG 27
THURS, SEPT 2	
	FRI, SEPT 10
THURS, SEPT 16	
	FRI, SEPT 24
CLOSED FOR CHANGEOVER	
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	FRI, OCT 29
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THURS, NOV 18	
CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING	
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COVID-19 PROCEDURES

- Everyone must wear a face mask.
- Please limit the number of people in your group.
- No children if possible.
- Please maintain 3 foot distancing.
- Everyone will be asked to use hand sanitizer before entering.

NEW UNDERWEAR & SOCKS PROGRAM

Each child enrolled in the Shawnee Mission School District can receive 5 new pairs underwear and socks each semester.

Proof of enrollment is required: Skyward account on phone, letter from the school, student ID card.

HOW TO DONATE & VOLUNTEER

Go to smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange for donation options and volunteer sign-up links.

LOCATION & CONTACT

SMSD Early Childhood Education Center
6701 West 83rd St.
Overland Park, KS 66204
Enter at back of the building at Door #7
Web: Smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange
Email: smacce@smac-pta.org





SMAC PTA CLOTHING EXCHANGE

Agosto - Diciembre 2021



El intercambio de ropa de la PTA del Consejo del Área de la Misión de Shawnee ofrece ropa y zapatos usados con cuidado, desde tallas para bebés hasta adultos. Exchange es un servicio gratuito abierto a quienes viven dentro de los límites de SMSD. Todos son bienvenidos. Si el edificio de la escuela está cerrado, el intercambio de ropa está cerrado. www.smsd.org

Calendario

4:30pm-7:00pm	9:30am-12:00pm
Jueves 19 de agosto	
	Viernes, 27 de agosto
Jueves 2 de septiembre	
	Viernes 10 de septiembre
Jueves 16 de septiembre	
	Viernes 24 de septiembre
CERRADO POR CAMBIO	
Jueves 7 de octubre	
	Viernes 15 de octubre
Jueves 21 de octubre	
	Viernes 29 de octubre
Jueves 4 de noviembre	
	Viernes 12 de noviembre
Jueves 18 de noviembre	
CERRADO POR THANKSGIVING	
Jueves 2 de diciembre	
	Viernes 10 de diciembre
Jueves 16 de diciembre	

COVID-19 PROCEDURES

- Todos deben usar una mascarilla.
- Limite el numero de personas en su grupo.
- Sin hijos si es posible.
- Mantenga una distancia de 3 pies
- A todas se les pedira que usen desinfectante para manos antes de entrar.

Nuevo Ropa Interior y Calcetines

Cada niño inscrito en el SMSD puede recibir 5 nuevos pares de ropa interior y calcetines cada semestre. Se requiere comprobante de inscripción: Cuenta Skyward en el telefono o Carta de la escuela.

Como donar y ser voluntario

Ir smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange para conocer las opciones de donacion y registrarse como voluntario.

Ubicacion y Contacto:

SMSD Early Childhood Education Center
6701 West 83rd St.
Overland Park, KS 66204
La entrada esta en la parte trasera del edificio en la Puerta #7
Web: Smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange
Email: smacce@smac-pta.org



Covid and Masking Update

Our nation and community continue to deal with the effects and repercussions of the Covid-19 Pandemic. The goal of our SMSD Board of Education is to keep students in school. The School Board recently had an emergency session to vote on the use of masks in school. Here is the announcement from this meeting:

Shawnee Mission Board of Education Approves Updated Mitigation Plan

At the August 5, 2021, special meeting of the Shawnee Mission School District Board of Education, the Board approved

changes to the COVID-19 mitigation plan.

These changes will require all children and adults in grades PreK-12 to wear masks in all district facilities.

The details of the approved plan are included here:

[Mitigation Plan, approved by the Board on Aug. 5, 2021](#)
[Handout, plan approved on Aug. 5, 2021](#)

The vote passed with a 6 to 1 vote in favor.

Keeping schools open and safe continues to be a top priority in the SMSD in the 2021-2022 school year.

- In order to keep all students and staff safe at school please help us with the following:
- Report all positive cases of COVID-19 to the school nurse.
- Keep your student home when they are ill and get a PCR test.
- PCR Testing – SMSD only accepts PCR COVID tests
 - o SMSD offers free PCR testing Monday- Friday 8am-4pm when school is in session by calling 913-993-6218
 - o Free PCR testing is also offered at community testing sites such as www.gogettested.com/kansas, CVS, Walgreens, etc.
- If you or your student have a known exposure to a positive case of COVID-19 outside of school/school related activity, please contact JCDHE at 913-715-2819 for instructions.



Due to high community transmission rates of COVID-19 in the county and lack of vaccine availability for all individuals, the Shawnee Mission School District (SMSD) will require masking of all children and adults in grades PreK-12 and in all district facilities until further notice.



August 5, 2021



MASKING:

Masks are required for all PreK-12 children and adults until such a time as all students have the opportunity to be fully vaccinated and community transmission levels decrease.

***Individuals do not need to mask when outdoors.** This includes students participating in elementary recess.



VACCINATIONS:

It is recommended that all eligible individuals receive the COVID-19 vaccination. Vaccination has proven to be the most effective means for individual protection against COVID-19 and in halting the transmission of COVID-19. It is strongly recommended that unvaccinated individuals continue to mask until fully vaccinated (2 weeks after the last dose in series).



EXCLUSION:

Fully vaccinated individuals will not be quarantined with an exposure unless they are/become symptomatic. COVID-19 positive individuals will be excluded from school/activities for 10 days and 24 hour symptom improvement.

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CANVAS
FOR PARENTS/FAMILIES



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>



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION

Dear Parents/Guardians,

During the week of September 20, DS Bus Lines, the district's transportation service provider, will implement roster checks in order to verify accurate counts of riders enrolled and receiving transportation services. For any student riders not yet registered for transportation, please note that parents will be contacted by school offices to arrange alternative (parent provided) transportation.

To register students for transportation visit DS Bus Lines [website](#). You can contact DS Bus Lines at 913-384- 1190.

For schools that offer regular education transportation, families who may qualify for free transportation should

consider completing the online Household Economic survey (HES) located in Skyward (Online Verification Link). Please contact your child's school office for assistance in completing this form.



The front circle drive buses.

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Antioch Side buses.

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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!!!

