SHS Weekly News

Jan. 22, 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fri. Jan. 22 End of Semester Assessment (Period 7) 8:00 am - 3:45 pm Textbook/Material Dropoff at Door #1

<u>Mon. Jan. 25</u> A-Day

<u>Tues. Jan. 26</u> B-Day

<u>Wed. Jan. 27</u> A-Day

<u>Thurs. Jan. 28</u> B-Day

Fri. Jan. 29 A-Day

Message from Mr. Kruse

Families and Students,

The first semester is in the books. Thank you for your hard work and support!! The second semester starts on Monday, Jan. 25th. The first hour begins for all virtual students at 9:00 am.

Freshman hybrid students will be back on campus on Feb.1st, which will be a "B" cohort day. Sophomore, Junior, and Senior hybrid students will start back on campus on Feb. 8, which is an "A" cohort day.

Here we go...Welcome Back!!! We are all looking forward to the start of the second semester. We will see you soon!

Be safe and be kind to each other!

Have a wonderful weekend!



End of Semester Virtual Schedule

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Stoughton Area School District A/B Calendar: Jan.-June

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Information needed (parking and locker requests) and what to expect in upcoming communications

On Wednesday, students were sent a survey through Infinite Campus about requesting lockers and/or parking permits. Only students who requested hybrid need to complete the survey if they are interested in a locker and/or parking permit. Even though parking spaces are not assigned, those who wish to park in the lot must complete the survey to receive their permit. As in the past, students who park in the lot without a permit are subject to a citation. Please have the survey completed by Friday, January 22nd. We will be in contact with those who completed the form to indicate locker number assignment and to issue the parking permit. Here is a <u>link</u> to complete the survey for reference.

Next week we will be sending out information in the newsletter about what students/families can expect when coming into the building. The information will include procedural updates for this year based on how we will operate in order to return to in-person safely. Please pay close attention to the information provided to help ensure a safe start and continuation of in-person learning.

Freshman Orientation Information

Click here for information

Stoughton High School Tour



What to expect in returning to school for Students and Families

Before coming to school

Be extra mindful about how you are coming to school. Please make sure you have done an individual safety check of your student's health and ensure they have a mask with them. <u>Here</u> are the district guidelines for reference.

If you are sick/ how to report an absence

It is incredibly important for students to remain home if they are ill or experiencing covid symptoms even if it is overly cautious. This practice will allow us to keep our schools open. If you are a hybrid student and not feeling well on an in-person day, a parent/guardian should call our attendance line (877-5608) to report their student will not be in person that day. If the students are well enough to zoom into their classes just as they do on their virtual days, we will correct the attendance. The student will continue to be marked absent if we have not received a call from a parent/guardian. If we notice that a hybrid student continues to not be present on their in-person day, we will be contacting to see if the family would like to switch to virtual.

Procedures for positive students and those identified as close contacts

The district is using parameters of within 6 feet for 15 minutes as a basis of our contact tracing process. When we are informed of a positive case, we will cross-reference our records and conduct interviews to determine who would qualify as a close contact. Once a student is identified as a close contact they will need to be sent home immediately. Families will receive communication from the school nurse and building staff informing the family of the close contact and when your student is eligible to return to the building as long as they did not develop covid symptoms during their quarantine. If there is a status change during quarantine such as test results or symptom development, please contact Rita Ihm (877-5664) or Laurel Gretebeck (877-5405) to determine if the return date needs to be adjusted for students at the high school. If required to quarantine from our building, students will be expected to attend classes virtually until their date of return.

If you suspect your student is Covid positive or is showing <u>symptoms</u> of Covid please keep them home and have them tested. Upon the receipt of a positive test result, please complete the necessary

documentation on the district covid resource page so we can begin the contact tracing process.

New student building tours

For students in grades 10-12 that are new to the building, there will be a sign-up for building tours through Student Services on the 8th and 9th. Click on the video above for our virtual building tour.

Beginning/end of the day procedures

At the beginning of the day, students will be permitted into the building 15 minutes prior to the start of the school day using doors #1, #2, and #21. Masks are required upon entering the building. When students arrive, they are expected to head to their classroom. At the end of the day, students are expected to collect their belongings and leave the building immediately unless they have a scheduled activity. Students can exit through any door. When waiting for the bus, students will be asked to maintain social distancing as much as possible.

Where do I find what cohort my student is in within Infinite Campus

A Day is for students in Cohort A-L to be person/in the building, Cohort M-Z zooms into class from home/remote location, and Virtual Vikings zoom in from home/remote location. Cohort A-L includes students identified in Infinite Campus with a Household last name starting with A-L.
B Day is for students in the Cohort M-Z to be in person/in the building, Cohort A-L zooms into class from home/remote location, and Virtual Vikings zoom in from home/remote location. Cohort M-Z to location home/remote location. Cohort M-Z to be in person/in the building, Cohort A-L zooms into class from home/remote location, and Virtual Vikings zoom in from home/remote location. Cohort M-Z includes students identified in Infinite Campus with a Household last name starting with M-Z.
In infinite Campus, you will see which group our student is in at the top of your student's Portal page

Mask requirements/what happens if students do not comply

<u>Students must wear their masks appropriately (covering the nose and mouth) while in the building in</u> <u>their classrooms, hallways, bathrooms with the exception of lunch while students are eating.</u>

Staff will provide reminders to wear masks appropriately. If a student continues to not comply, administrators will work with them to provide additional guidance on appropriate mask-wearing. If the student does not comply they will be sent home for the day. A follow-up meeting will be arranged prior to the next in-person day for the student and the parent/guardian to discuss mask expectations one more time. If after that meeting, a student comes back and continues to not comply with the mask requirements, they will be switched to a virtual student.

Hallways

Students will pass as normal from period to period. They will continue to wear their masks through the hallway. Students should walk to their next location in a timely manner. Students will be encouraged to move to their next location versus grouping up in the hallways.

Bring your device charged and bring your charger

Using technology more often means that it is incredibly important for students to bring their device charged. Charging stations are available but we have limited loaner Chromebooks available. In addition to bringing their Chromebook charger, it will be important for students to bring their chargers with them so they could charge their devices within the classroom.

Picking a lunch spot

Students will be allowed to leave campus for lunch. Students who leave campus for lunch will not be allowed back in until shortly before the bell rings and enter through door 24 (pool entry) or door 1 (main entry). Students will not be able to re-enter the building through door 21. Students will not be permitted to go in and out multiple times during lunch.

For those who will be staying for lunch, the lunchroom spaces have been modified to accommodate one person per table to maintain appropriate social distancing. Students will not be allowed to move chairs to different locations or sit in groups on the floor in open spaces. Students will have assigned seating based on where they choose to sit after the first week. That will remain their seat every day. Aside from accessing the food lines and the restrooms, students will need to remain in their seats for the duration of the lunch period. When students are not eating they will need to keep their masks on. The gym will not be open for any activities during lunch.

Study hall

If you have a study hall on your schedule, you do not need to log into the class on virtual days since there is not assigned credit for this course.

Academic Study

If you have an academic study on your schedule, you will be required to zoom into class on days that you are virtual since it is credit-bearing.

Health Room

The health room will be located in the PAC lobby by door 21. Classrooms have been equipped with a small triage kit for minor health concerns. If a student has any other health concerns and/or is experiencing Covid symptoms they should go directly to the health office.

Reminder of Our District's Allergies Policy

We are a nut-aware district and ask that our students and families be aware and considerate of the medical needs of our students. We strongly discourage sending any nut or nut products to school with your children. For more information on our allergen policy, click <u>here</u>.

SHS 20-21 Second Semester Schedule (Virtual / Hybrid / All On-Campus)

• Virtual Learning: Start Date - January 25, 2021

o Daily Attendance: All Students attend all classes virtually and complete assigned asynchronous work.

o If fully Virtual classes may be conducted as one virtual learning session or split by cohorts to be determined by the Teacher.

• Hybrid Learning: Start Date – February 1, 2021 (Grade 9) / February 8th (Grades 10-12)

o Daily Attendance: Students rotate between attending SHS On-Campus and Virtual Learning Off-Campus every other day based on assigned cohorts on a continuous rotation as indicated by the District Calendar.

o **Cohort A-L:** Students identified in Infinite Campus with a <u>Household</u> last name starting with A-L. o **Cohort M-Z:** Students identified in Infinite Campus with a <u>Household</u> last name starting with M-Z. o **Virtual Vikings:** Students may choose to not be on-campus, attend all classes virtually, and complete assigned asynchronous work.

• All On-Campus: Start Date - To Be Determined

o Daily Attendance: All Students attend all classes on-campus every day and complete assigned work. o **Virtual Vikings:** Students may choose to not be on-campus, attend all classes virtually, and complete assigned asynchronous work. On Campus Teacher Collaboration Time: 7:30-8:15am Virtual Learning Support Time: 8:15-9:00

Period 1: 9:00-9:45am

Period 2: 9:50-10:40 (five minutes for announcements)

Period 3: 10:45-11:30

Period 4: Class A: 11:35-12:20 Lunch B: 12:20-12:45

> Lunch A 11:30-11:55 Class B: 12:00-12:45

Period 5: 12:50-1:35

Period 6: 1:40-2:25

Period 7: 2:30-3:15

Schedules are subject to change per state guidelines and safety needs

STAR Testing Dates/Information

Hello SHS Families,

Stoughton High School will be implementing the STAR Reading and STAR Math assessments virtually from January 25 - February 5th, 2021.

Virtual testing will take place during Language Arts and Math classes in grades 9, 10, and 11.

Please email questions to <u>beth.anderson@stoughton.k12.wi.us</u> or <u>eric.smith@stoughton.k12.wi.us</u>

Thank you

Hybrid Families: A Note from Health Services about Medications and Masking Symptoms

Unless your child has a known health condition such as an injury or migraine that would require a pain

as these medications could mask (cover-up) symptoms of COVID-19. If these medications are needed, please have your child's healthcare provider sign the medication form and indicate a specific timeframe. In addition, if your child needs to have cough drops at school, the medication form will also have to be signed by your child's healthcare provider and indicate a specific timeframe.

Counseling News

Local Scholarship Application

The Stoughton High School Local Scholarship application is now available to seniors. Applications must be submitted on or before **Friday**, **January 29th by 3:30 pm**. Please click the link below for more information: <u>Local Scholarship Application</u>



Youth Apprenticeship Information

Click Here to sign up today!

School Pictures & Yearbooks

We would like to provide you an update regarding school pictures and yearbooks.

We had hoped to have been in a position to offer in-person pictures by appointment to a larger number of students than we have been able to. With the reopening of grades K-2 partnered with new pandemic orders, we are not able to proceed at this time.

Instead, we have compiled a list of workarounds for our families. You will find that while all grade levels have Lifetouch for school pictures, each grade level has a different vendor for yearbooks. We have separated out school pictures and yearbooks accordingly:

High School Grades 9-12

Lifetouch is our current vendor for school pictures and Midwest Scholastic is our current vendor for school yearbooks. While it is our intention to offer onsite pictures at some point we also recognize that an unknown timeline may delay our ability to produce a successful yearbook. Questions regarding yearbooks may be directed to <u>adrienne.stahl@stoughton.k12.wi.us</u>.

School Pictures

Lifetouch is now offering a new <u>Snaps @Home</u> program through the Shutterfly app (their parent company). This allows you to upload a picture from home and order a picture package. Please click on the link above for next steps.

School Yearbooks

Midwest Scholastic does not currently have options available for upload directly to them. The district will be using <u>Pictavo</u> to upload pictures for the yearbook. Please click the link above for next steps.

****NOTE**: You will need to complete one upload to order pictures and one upload to be added to the yearbook.

Nurtured Heart Approach Message

If you are looking for some additional strategies to support your child's positive behavior choices, please consider joining us for a 1.5-hour, virtual workshop being held on January 26th or 28th from 6:00-7:30 pm. All of the information (including the sign-up link and background information) are in this weekly Nurtured Heart Approach musing-<u>Unwrinkling a Heart</u>



If you have any questions or feel that more 1-1 support would be helpful, please reach out to any of the following staff:

- <u>amy.ruck@stoughton.k12.wi.us</u> / (608) 235-8169 Secondary Inclusion Support Teacher, Advanced Nurtured Approach Heart Trainer
- sarajane.lee@<u>stoughton.k12.wi.us</u> 4K, and Elementary Inclusion Support Teacher, Certified Nurtured Heart Approach Trainer
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 maggie.heck@<u>stoughton.k12.wi.us</u> - Business Education Teacher, SHS, Certified Nurtured Heart Approach Trainer

To your Greatness, Humanity, and Significance. Amy Ruck

Cover Art for Yearbook

Attention ARTISTS - Due Date has been extended!

The yearbook is asking for your help to create the 2020-2021 yearbook cover design! This year's theme is Silver Lining! If you are not aware, Silver Lining means to be optimistic about a negative topic. We all have been pushed into our houses for the past 8 months, and we want to highlight the positives of this year's quarantine!

We would love to feature your artistic interpretation of our theme, Silver Lining. Here is what we need you to do...

- 1. Come up with an amazing idea that communicates the theme, Silver Lining. DO NOT USE ANY LETTERING- we just need pictures.
- 2. Turn that idea into some form of 2D art. Drawing, digital graphics, photography, painting, etc. Only original art will be considered. Images or ideas that belong to or were created by an artist that is not you, is not considered original. Example: A drawing of Spongebob is not your original idea.
- 3. Take a picture of your artwork or save your digital file as a PNG file.
- 4. Email your image along with a written statement telling us how your creation fits our theme.
- 5. Send your images to <u>adrienne.stahl@stougton.k12.wi.us</u>. or just hit reply on this email.
- 6. Deadline- February 15th

The Animation Club is coming back! Are you someone who wants to learn more about animation? Join the SHS Animation Club! Our first meeting will be over zoom next Thursday at 3:30 pm. Any experience level, any grade level is welcome to join. Use this link to join our <u>meeting.</u> <u>https://zoom.us/j/96828878313?pwd=ZEtaWEdjUWdidIVPQXIKcDVnVIBTQT09</u>

Yearbook Information - ORDERING INFORMATION

Thank you for your patience as we set up our yearbook purchasing site. We are excited to say we are open for business. Please see the instructions and link below.. We appreciate your support.

How To Order A Yearbook

Books will be shipped directly to the address you provide. We will not be accepting checks or cash for the yearbook at the school. Total of the Yearbook \$60. Order window closes 3/19/21

Student Course Fees

The following course fees are available to be paid in Infinite Campus: Basic Art 3D, Advanced Art, Ceramics and Sculpture, and Advanced Ceramics.

School Fees

Drop in Zoom Support Link

Click on the button

Updated SHS Grading Practices

Updated as of 11/1/2020



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