

SHS Weekly News

October 23, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mon. Oct. 26

B- Day

Tues. Oct. 27

A- Day

Wed. Oct. 28

B- Day

1:00-8:00 pm Zoom P/T Conferences

Thurs. Oct. 29

A- Day

Fri. Oct. 30

B-Day

End of the 1st Quarter



Message from Mr. Kruse

Families and Students,

Fantastic job this week!!! If you were able, thank you for attending the first two rounds of Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences!!! There is another round scheduled for 10/28 from 1:00 pm -8:00 pm. Please sign up through SignUp Genius. The links by the teacher are listed in the section below.

In preparation for the 2nd quarter in November, we will be creating Staff/Student connection opportunities and adjusting our SHS Grading Practices to better suit our virtual learning environment. We will be carving out specific times in the afternoon for the creation of Staff/Student Drop-in Zoom meetings, to provide an easy way for students to reach their teacher for coursework clarifications and questions. Also, we have found a need to adjust our SHS Grading Practices to relate to our current educational setting. The adjustments will focus on timely coursework completion.

More detailed information on Drop-in Zoom times and SHS Grading practice changes will be in the next E-news. Thank you for your continued support!!!

Be well and have a wonderful weekend.

Check Your Email Daily

- Staff are here to support students & families.
- While in this virtual world:
 - Our primary mode of communication is email.
 - It is incredibly important for students & families to check their email daily
 - Communications from teachers about assignments & supports available.
 - We are working to be more clear in our communication in terms of which class, assignment, and student we are referring to make all the communication easier to navigate within the subject heading.
 - We look forward to continuing to work with you and supporting you during our virtual learning. We can't wait to hear from you.

PEACHJAR FOR SCHOOL FLYERS LAUNCHES ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

In an effort to improve family and community engagement, SASD schools will begin using Peachjar to send digital flyers directly to families. Peachjar is an electronic flyer communication tool and has replaced paper flyer distribution. You will receive school-approved digital flyers delivered to your inbox and by visiting our flyer board on our school's website.

On Monday, you will receive a Welcome email from Peachjar with log-in information. You do not need to log into your account at any time to receive flyers. However, if you wish to change your notification preferences, use the link in the Welcome email.

Family information is loaded directly into Peachjar and updated weekly so there is no need to sign up for most families. If you do not receive a Welcome email by Tuesday, or you would like to add additional family members, go to Peachjar.com, click "SIGN UP," and add your name and school.

You can unsubscribe from Peachjar emails at any time. You can find more information about Peachjar and SASD [here](#).

P/T Conferences & SignUp Genius Links

Conferences: For reference, we have included an attached document that contains links for each teacher's Sign-up Genius. Teachers are organized alphabetically by the department and the courses they teach are listed for reference. We hope this makes signing up a little easier.



We look forward to meeting with you on October 28th from 1 pm-8 pm. If you would like to meet with your student's principal, you can email them directly to set up a time.

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[Link to Sign Up Genius Document](#)

Snap and Read

Snap&Read is available to any student in the SASD and gives your child a toolbox of reading tools to use wherever they read (websites, Google Classroom, ebooks, worksheet, and even tests) into an audiobook. ***Snap&Read can read text aloud*** (like an audiobook), ***simplify text, translate into over 100 languages, and provide executive functioning tools, highlighting, and note-taking supports.***

This resource provides directions for [Adding Snap & Read](#) to your child's Chromebook. If you would like more information Snap&Read's functions, check out this resource page-

<https://tinyurl.com/SASDSnapandRead>

Counseling Information

Academic & Career Planning

Counselors will be meeting with freshman students during the afternoons of October 27, 29, and 30 in small groups to go over academic and career planning information.



Please have your students watch for a Zoom invite the week of October 26th!

[Mr. Burke's Freshman meeting schedule \(A-G\)](#).

[Ms. Ash's Freshman meeting schedule \(H-N\)](#).

[Ms. Natzke's Freshman meeting schedule \(M-Z\)](#).

UW-Madison and U of M Deadlines

UW-Madison's early action deadline for fall 2021 new freshmen is November 1st. Similarly, the **University of Minnesota-Twin Cities' early action deadline is also November 1st.** To ensure all materials arrive on time, be sure to request letters of recommendation and transcripts no later than October, 21st.

Koats for Kids

Koats for Kids is a community-wide effort to provide coats for families in Dane and Jefferson Counties. For the past 35 years, this coat drive has helped area families facing financial hardships by providing them with coats and other winter gear.

Dane County coat distribution will begin on October 23 and run until October 31st at 1856 Wright Street in Madison. We will be open to the public from 12 PM to 8 PM. You do not need an appointment.

COVID-19 Koats for Kids Update:

This year, our distribution process will look a little different. We want to keep everyone healthy! We will require masks, social distancing, temperature checks, and are limiting the number of people in at one time.

Yearbook Information

Please look for more information on how to purchase a Yearbook in upcoming newsletters.

Reminder: Yearbook is now accepting your senior photos at shs.yb.2021@gmail.com. Please make sure your photo is vertical and adheres to the guidelines provided in last week's newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Yearbook Staff at the email above.

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.



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