

SHS Weekly News

Dec. 18, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fri. Dec. 18

A-Day

Dec. 21-Jan. 1

No School-Winter Break

Mon. Jan. 4, 2021

Classes Resume

B-Day



Message from Mr. Kruse

Families and Students,

Wow...it is finally Winter Break!! 2020 has been a crazy year!!

Students, I can not thank you enough for your hard work and flexibility.

Parents/Guardians, thank you for your continued support!!

Given the fact that Dane County Public Health continues to adjust their Emergency Orders and School Recommendations...SHS will need to adjust for Second Semester. I will be presenting our new Second Semester Schedule to the School Board on Monday, December 21st. I will provide more details regarding our Second Semester Schedule and additional back to school information after Winter Break.

I wish you and your family all the Best in 2021!!

Happy Holidays!!

M. J. Kruse

DISTRICT WILL PRESENT REOPENING PLANS for GRADES 3-12 THIS MONDAY

On Monday, December 21, we will be presenting our reopening plans for grades 3-12 to the Board of Education. This meeting will be a presentation of how we will reopen, not a discussion about when we will reopen. The Board will not take a vote on Monday, December 21. Please feel free to join us at 6 p.m. virtually. Expect more information about our reopening plans on Tuesday, December 22.

Dr. Onsager has also sent a District Digest, with more information, so please reference that newsletter as well.

Wishing you a safe holiday with some Viking Cheer. Please click the link below to watch a video presentation from staff to students.

[Click here to view Viking Cheer Video](#)



[End of Semester Virtual Schedule](#)

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Student Senate Food Drive December 14-18

Student Senate is having a contactless food drive for the Stoughton Food Pantry throughout the week. There will be boxes at the high school, Fox Prairie, and Kenosha where you can drop off

donations. They will be organized into food groups, so please put them in the correct box! List of requested items: canned vegetables, canned fruits, soups, peanut butter/jelly, pasta, rice, noodles, spaghetti, beans, sweets, snacks, pasta/tomato sauce, soaps/personal items, etc.

Student Senate Winter Week Events

Click [Here](#) to see the Events

Norse Star Edition for December 2020

This issue of the Norse Star is particularly special as it highlights future SHS senior female collegiate athletes, COVID-19 testing from an expert, and hope for the holidays. Click [here](#) for the Dec. issue.

Language Arts Department News

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School Pictures & Yearbooks

As we wrap up the 2020 calendar year and move into 2021, we want to provide 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 adrienne.stahl@stoughton.k12.wi.us.

- School Pictures

Lifetouch is now offering a new [Snaps@Home](#) 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 [Pictavo](#) 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.

Drop in Zoom Support Link

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NEW: The Antiracism Project

The purpose of this districtwide project is to advance our district's Educating for Equity efforts by providing resources, information, and/or opportunities to support recognized national or local events and classroom curriculum. Our LMS team is researching special events for each month of the school year and helping educators find connections for use inside the classroom and within the community. In December, our team chose two dates to recognize: Human Rights Day and International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The LMS team will have compiled the following resources for your review with your children during the month of December:

- [The World Needs All Kinds of Minds](#) - TED Talk with Temple Grandin
- Unbroken: 13 Stories Starring Disabled Teens by Mariele Nijkamp
 - Available from RB and SHS Libraries
 - An anthology of stories in various genres, featuring disabled characters and written by disabled creators.
- [Youth for Human Rights](#)
- Free? Stories of Human Rights by Amnesty International
 - This resource is available from the SHS library. It is an anthology of fourteen stories by young adult authors from around the world, on such themes as asylum, law, education, and faith.

Dr. Onsager sent out a District Digest newsletter last week, for families with further information included.

Counseling News



Transcripts over Holiday Break

To all seniors applying to colleges over the upcoming holiday breaks, please note that transcripts requests will not be processed when school is not in session. To avoid missing important college

deadlines, please make sure your transcript requests are submitted to Parchment prior to the break. The site to submit requests is www.parchment.com.

Updates to the UW Application Fee

On behalf of the University of Wisconsin System, we are thrilled to announce the no-cost application fee for most UW campuses, effective December 11, 2020, for approximately the next two years.

The UW campuses honoring the no-cost application fee, effective December 11, 2020, are:

- UW-Green Bay Region
- UW Oshkosh Region
- UW-Platteville Region
- UW-Parkside
- UW-Milwaukee Region
- UW-River Falls
- UW-Whitewater
- UW-Superior
- UW-Stout
- UW-Stevens Point Region

The UW campuses that continue to require the application fee are:

- UW-Eau Claire Region (\$25)
- UW-La Crosse (\$25)
- UW-Madison (\$60)



Click [here](#) to learn more information about eligibility and the application process.

Nurtured Heart Approach Message

Click [Here](#) for this week's message.



Cover Art for Yearbook

SHS Artists and Photographers! Yearbook needs you to create a work of art or take a photo for the cover of the book. Our theme this year is Silver Lining is defined as...A **silver lining** is a sign of hope or a positive aspect in an otherwise negative situation. The phrase is often seen as part of the proverb Every cloud has a **silver lining**, meaning that there's hope or something good to be found in every bad situation.

Here is how to enter your art for consideration...

1. Anyone in 9-12 grade may submit art/photo
2. Entries are due by January 15
3. Any art media is accepted as long as it can be submitted as an image file.
4. Images that do not fit the theme will be rejected.

5. Send a picture of your artistic interpretation of the theme, Silver Lining, to shs.yb.2021@gmail.com or adrienne.stahl@stoughton.k12.wi.us.
6. Do not add text/lettering to your composition.

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.



Updated SHS Grading Practices

Updated as of 11/1/2020

20-21 SASD Calendar



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