



Spring Branch Academic Institute



October 5, 2020

Secondary Issue 6

College Board Exams

Wednesday, October 7 is the PSAT 8 and 9 exams. Grades 6, 7, 10, and 11 will have a day of asynchronous learning. Eighth and ninth graders will report to SBAI Pod by 8:40 and 7:45 respectively. Dismissal will be at 3:00 for ninth graders and 3:15 for eighth graders. On October 8, middle-school students will meet with all seven classes. The letter sent families is attached to the newsletter. Days in which a grade level takes a College Board exam, other students will have an asynchronous, virtual learning day.

Science Fair

SBAI's third annual science fair is under way. The science fair is part of the SBAI middle-school science curriculum. We are inviting high school students to participate as well. Through the development and presentation of science/engineering projects, students enhance the following abilities: making observations, asking questions regarding particular phenomena or situations, formulating ideas and procedures for the solution of a problem, using complex and/or analytical reasoning skills to find an answer or a solution to a problem, and effectively presenting their works to society. Colleges look for students who establish and nurture a clear passion and expertise in whatever they choose to pursue. Volunteering to compete in science fair would show that passion. All experiments and data analysis is to be completed before winter break. The SBAi Science Fair will be on Friday, January 8, 2021. We will have enough time to register SBAI winners for Science and Engineering Fair of Houston. Registration and date of SEFH are still to be determined.

Virtual Back to School Night

Spring Forest scheduled their Back to School Night September 30, and Stratford's is October 16. Remember, you are encouraged to reach out teachers and administration as needed with any questions you have.

SBAI MS teacher presentations:

[Dr. Haidar](#)
[Mr. Sexton](#)

[Mr. Huynh](#)
[Ms. Treleaven](#)

[Mr. Lefebber](#)
[Ms. Wood](#)

Absences and early pick up

Please call and email attendance clerks SFMS 713.251.4604, Ms. Razo [email](#) SHS 713.251.3406 Ms. Cardoza [email](#) Also, email Ms. Helfer and Mr. Lefebber

Upcoming Events k

- Oct 7**
 1. PSAT 8 and 9 exams
 2. SFMS 8th Volleyball Scrimmage
 3. SHS JV Cross Country
- Oct 8**
 1. No block scheduling at SFMS
 2. SFMS 7th Volleyball Scrimmage
 3. SHS Swimming @ Conroe 4:00
 4. SHS JV Football vs Cy Fair 4:30
 5. SHS Orchestra 7:00 Tallowood
- Oct 12**
 1. **Student Holiday**
 2. Virtual College Fair 6:00-8:00 pm
 3. Order Band Outback Dinner
- Oct 14** NMSQT Grade 11
- Oct 16**
 1. End of first nine weeks
 2. SHS Back to School Night
 3. Band Fall kickoff preview performance, dinner 6:00-8:30 pm
- Oct 21-22** SHS Picture Day ELA
- Oct 22-23** Ninth-grade DLPS
- Oct 23** AP Exam Registration
- Oct 25** SBEF [Golf Tournament](#)
- Oct 26** Sixth-grade DLPS
- Oct 27** In-School SAT, Seniors only
- Oct 29** PSAT -10
- Nov 3** Election Day Virtual Learning
- Nov 20** College Shirt Day
- Nov 23-27** **Student Holiday**
- Dec 18** End of second nine weeks
- Dec 19** **Winter Break begins**
- Jan 5** Students return to instruction
- Jan 8** SBAI Science Fair
- Jan 18** **Student Holiday**
- Feb 12** Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb 14** Valentine's Day
- Feb 15** **Student Holiday**
- Mar 12** End of third nine weeks
- Mar 15-19** **Spring Break**
- Mar 31** April Fool's Day
- Apr 2** **Student Holiday**
- Apr 6** English I EOC, STAAR Writing 4 & 7
- Apr 8** English II EOC
- Apr 9** STAAR make up
- Apr 30** **Student Holiday**
- May 3** AP Physics C PM

Progress Reports

The second progress report will be uploaded in Skyward by the end of the week. Go to the Skyward Family Access Portfolio tab to find electronic documents for your student, which includes progress reports and report cards.

Band Fundraiser

Outback Dinner will be Park n Dine this year in the Stratford Parking lot on Oct 16. Dinner tickets are \$13/pp must buy on or before 10/12 at <https://stratfordband.com/boosters-club/fob-rush/> You'll get a sneak peek of SHS Band & Guard as well as use your car's radio to "tune in" to hear some announcements. Bring your folding chairs so you can tailgate from your car n watch the show. This is a great event that will allow us to celebrate together while maintaining social distancing. Please wear a mask when you pick up your dinner or purchase booster merchandise for sale.

College Fair

Virtual College Night is scheduled for October 12 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Over 300 colleges and universities will be attending. Participants must [register to attend](#).

Virtual College Visits

We will share some opportunities to explore universities. Email Ms. McIver if you'd like a longer list.

Rutgers University [Undergraduate Open House](#) 10/17 10am-12pm, 11/18 6-8pm

Texas Tech Virtual Events [Scholars Reception](#), 10/22, 11/12, for high ability students considering honors

University of Chicago [Supplemental Essay](#), 9/30, 7pm [Letters of Recommendation](#), 9/30, 7pm

[Discovering U: Joint Virtual Info Session](#), Columbia, UT Austin, Yale, University of Michigan, 10/1, 7pm

[Verto Virtual College Fair](#) Rhodes College, Denison, William & Mary, 9/29, 5pm-8pm

[Northeast Public Universities](#) Delaware, Maryland, Pitt, Penn State, Connecticut, Rutgers 10/8, 6 pm

Johns Hopkins Virtual Events for Students [Hopkins Senior Preview](#), 9/28-29 [Hopkins DecidED](#), 10/4

SHS Picture Day

Stratford yearbook portrait day is scheduled for October 21 and 22 during English classes with make ups December 3. More information regarding virtual students' portraits will be provided in the future.

DLPs

Differentiated Learning Plans will be updated after the first report card. Sixth and ninth grade families will have an opportunity to meet to discuss their student's DLP. The optional conferences are tentatively set for October 22, 23, and 26.

Advanced Placement Exam Registration

This year, students are responsible for going into their College Board accounts and stating which exams they will take. Your AP teacher will have more information, the deadline for student registration is October 23. All 29 SBAI High School students will take an AP exam, a total of 78 courses.

Financial Aid Workshops

There are two series of workshops SBISD is offering for post-secondary planning, *Parent U FINANCIAL AID INFO SESSION* and *Planning for the Future T-2-4 Series*. See attachments at the end of the newsletter.

Middle School In Person Students Reading Materials

Students who are finished with their schoolwork are to read, rest, or draw. Students will not be allowed to play games on their computer or phone during class time. Students may play games during lunch or before school starts at 8:40. Please send a book in your student's backpack.

COVID Dashboard

The [COVID Dashboard](#) provides a summary of active, test-confirmed COVID-19 cases involving SBISD students and staff members as reported to the District. Totals reflect those participating in any on-campus activity. For more information associated with SBISD's health and safety protocols regarding COVID-19, including isolation, quarantine, and reporting, please refer to the [District's LearnSBISD plan](#).

SHS Student Parking

I cannot believe this is needed for our newsletter. Stratford is selling 2020-21 parking passes for juniors and seniors. Click on this link for [parking information and regulations](#). Sophomore passes go on sale in late Fall; I was told it would be in October.

CIS Newsletter

Communities In Schools is a 501 (C3) non-profit organization that partners with schools, colleges or independent school districts for the purpose of addressing the barriers to success (academic and non-academic needs) faced by students and/or their families within the campus community. Please see the August/September newsletter at the end of the newsletter.

SFMS PTA/Campus Communication

We encourage all families to join SFMS's PTA. To receive regular details from SFMS, click on the link and add your email address to get the [SFMS PTA e-blast](#). Please read the e-Blast and this newsletter to stay informed.

Stratford PTSA/Campus Communication

We encourage all families to join SHS's PTSA. Parents, please stay informed with upcoming events. To receive regular details from SHS, click on the link and add your email address to [Sign Up for Spartan Scoop](#). Please read the [PTA information](#) and this newsletter to stay informed.

Spring Forest Middle School Bell Schedule Monday, Tuesday, and Friday

A Lunch

1st Period 8:40 AM – 9:34 AM
2nd Period 9:38 AM – 10:32 AM
3rd Period 10:36 AM – 11:30 AM
LUNCH 11:34 AM – 12:04 PM
4th Period 12:08 PM – 1:02 PM
5th Period 1:06 PM – 2:00 PM
6th Period 2:04 PM – 2:58 PM
7th Period 3:02 PM – 3:55 PM

B Lunch

1st Period 8:40 AM – 9:34 AM
2nd Period 9:38 AM – 10:32 AM
3rd Period 10:36 AM – 11:30 AM
4th Period 11:34 AM – 12:28 PM
LUNCH 12:32 PM – 1:02 PM
5th Period 1:06 PM – 2:00 PM
6th Period 2:04 PM – 2:58 PM
7th Period 3:02 PM – 3:55 PM

C Lunch

1st Period 8:40 AM – 9:34 AM
2nd Period 9:38 AM – 10:32 AM
3rd Period 10:36 AM – 11:30 AM
4th Period 11:34 AM – 12:28 PM
5th Period 12:32 PM – 1:26 PM
LUNCH 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM
6th Period 2:04 PM – 2:58 PM
7th Period 3:02 PM – 3:55 PM

Spring Forest Middle School Wednesday Bell Schedule

A Lunch

1st Period 8:40 AM – 10:17 AM
3rd Period 10:21 AM – 11:59 AM
LUNCH 12:03 PM – 12:33 PM
5th Period 12:37 PM – 2:14 PM
7th Period 2:18 PM – 3:55 PM

B Lunch

1st Period 8:40 AM – 10:17 AM
3rd Period 10:21 AM – 11:59 AM
5th Period 12:03 AM – 12:45 PM
LUNCH 12:45 PM – 1:15 PM
5th Period 1:19 PM – 2:14 PM
7th Period 2:18 PM – 3:55 PM

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5th Period 12:03 PM – 1:30 PM
LUNCH 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM
5th Period 2:04 PM – 2:14 PM
7th Period 2:18 PM – 3:55 PM

Spring Forest Middle School Thursday Bell Schedule

A Lunch

2nd Period 8:40 AM – 10:17 AM
Advisory 10:21 AM – 11:59 AM
LUNCH 12:03 PM – 12:33 PM
4th Period 12:37 PM – 2:14 PM
6th Period 2:18 PM – 3:55 PM

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Advisory 10:21 AM – 11:59 AM
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Stratford High School Bell Schedule

5 A-Day	6 B-Day	7 A	8 B	9 A
12 Student Holiday	13 B	14 A	15 B	16 A End 1 st Nine Weeks
19 B	20 A	21 B	22 A	23 B

Regular Schedule

Period 1/2 **7:45-9:10**
Period 3/4 **9:16-10:41**
Spartan Time **10:47-11:27**

A lunch- **11:27-11:57**

(Math, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Lang. office aide/Study Hall)

Period 5/6 **12:03-1:28**

Period 5/6 **11:33-12:58**

(English, Athletics, Guthrie, Fine Arts, CTE)

B lunch- **12:58-1:28**

Period 7/8 **1:34-3:00**