

August 2018



Changes Abound!

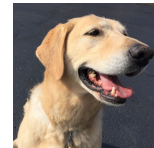
We are excited to welcome everyone to Highland for the 2018-19 school year. There is so much happening that I would like to update you on:

1. There is a new security vestibule located in our main lobby. You will buzz in the front door as usual. Please stop at the window to check in. Once checked in, you will be buzzed into the main part of the building. Please make sure you have your ID ready every time you come to the building. We will continue to use our Raptor ID system.
2. There have been room A/C splits installed in most instructional spaces that should be ready at the start of the year. That will really help during the hot school days to create an environment conducive to learning.
3. Our main entry and several areas around the building have been relandscaped.
4. Crumbling concrete sidewalks have been replaced around the building.
5. Lockers have been removed in room six and replaced with open shelving.
6. We have the following new staff members:
 - a. Miss Napolitano - Second Grade
 - b. Mrs. Chapman - Guidance Counselor
 - c. Mr. Nutter - Noontime Aide
 - d. Mr. Olsen - Intervention Specialist *
 - e. Mrs. Hudak - Noontime Aide *
 - f. Mrs. Curry - Instructional Aide *
 - g. Ms. Schreiner - Cafeteria
 - h. TBD -Noontime Aide
 - i. TBD- Crossing Guard*=new to this position or to Highland from another SMF school.

To Do List



1. Log on to complete the “Parent Forms and Consents”.
2. Fill out everyday pick up form at Open House if applicable.



Jax is a 4 year old golden retriever. He is the

Stow-Munroe Falls district therapy dog. The plan is for him to visit classrooms as one of our many initiatives geared toward social/emotional well being of students and staff. We want this to be a positive experience for all members of the school community and we recognize that some students or staff may have conditions that would be negatively impacted if Jax were to visit.

Please let Mrs. Graziano know if there are any concerns about Jax visiting your child's classroom including allergies and animal anxiety. We will make sure that we respect these concerns as part of Jax's presence in our school.



“Parenting the Love and Logic Way” is coming to Stow-Munroe Falls

*Love and Logic (7-12 yrs) is coming to Lakeview Intermediate School in the **Fall of 2018** on:*

Mondays, Sept. 10th, 17th, 24th, Oct. 1st, 8th, and, 15th from 6:00-7:30 P.M. in the Lakeview Library Media Center (*) Participants are limited to the first 26 people 2nd-6th grades. (13 couples or individual participants are welcome). (*) Minimum 6 participants for the group to hold. Refreshments are provided.

Session workbooks are \$10.00 a piece, due at the time of registration so books are available at the start.

Please email Kathy Schmidt at st_schmidt@smfcsd.org or call 330-689-5250 ext. 2 for more details.

Online Paperwork Process

We use a parent online form submission process. You received a letter with login username and id at Open House. If you visit the district website at www.smfschools.org, simply click on the “Annual Forms & Consent Portal” icon and it will take you right to the sign-in page. Please complete this process ASAP so that we have updated emergency information about your child.

If you do not have internet access, there are computers at Highland that you are welcome to use to complete your forms.

Graham Road Crossing Guards

For those of you who are walkers and must cross Graham Road, note that the city crossing guards at the intersection of Graham and Lakeview will be on duty from 7:40 A.M. – 9:10 A.M. in the morning and from 3:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. in the afternoon to cross students.

Please talk with your children about coming to school and leaving school in a timely manner so that the students are crossing safely.

NEWSLETTERS

Future editions of Highland Highlights will be sent home electronically and posted on the Highland website. You can get to the Highland site by going to smfschools.org and choosing Highland. Select the newsletter tab to see all archived newsletters.

Each classroom will be sending a newsletter home on a regular basis. This will be done electronically. It will keep you updated as to what the class is studying and what is coming up.

Please notify the teacher if you need a hard copy and that will be arranged.

Contact Us

Each staff member at Highland is accessible by email and voicemail. Many will let you know which avenue of communication works best. All contact information is available on the district website at www.smfschools.org.

Please feel free to contact each staff member directly.

Calendar of Events:



- August 20 Open House 6:00 - 7:00 pm
- August 21 First Student Day Grades 1-4
- August 24 Kindergarten Open House 5:00 - 6:00 pm
- August 27 First Day of school for Kindergarteners
Board of Education Meeting 7:00 pm Kimpton Middle School
- August 29 PTA Rootbeer Floats on the playground

September 3 Labor Day - No school

September 6 PTA meeting/Fingerprinting 7:00 pm

September 12 Marco's Pizza Night - Order pizza, identify Highland as your school, money is donated to HL

September 24 Board of Education Meeting @ Indian Trail - 7:00 p.m.

September 28 SMFHS Homecoming Parade and football game



Please Note:

We are always looking to expand our employee substitute pool. If you are interested in subbing either a certified or classified position, please fill out an application online using the Applitrack tab at www.smfschools.org.

CAFETERIA:

Breakfast and lunch menus can be found online at www.smfschools.org under the "School Menu" tab in the upper right hand corner. In addition, Free and Reduced Lunch forms are online at <https://stow-munroefalls.payschools.com/>