

SM SOUTH



Values

We care about ALL students.

Beliefs

We believe ALL students can and will learn.

Vision

All means ALL! Personalized Learning for ALL students.

Hard-Hat Hero

Staff member of the week

Megan Baker



Tweet of the Week!



SMS National Honor Society @souths... · 3d ...

The South National Honor Society collected over 1,700 hygiene supplies for the [@GivingtheBasics](#) organization - It was a massive student effort for a great cause

[@SMSouthTDain](#) [@RaiderSms](#)
[@theSMSD](#) [@NatHonorSociety](#)



Follow Dr. Dain on
[Twitter@SMSouthTDain](#)
[Instagram@SMSouthTDain](#)

Megan Baker teaches special education at South and was nominated by her colleagues. Mrs. Baker approaches each day with a cheerful and supportive attitude towards all students. Mrs. Baker has an engaging style in her instruction and her students are active participants in class discussions. No task seems insurmountable for students when Mrs. Baker is there to guide their learning." Thank you Mrs. Baker for making South Awesome!

Email Dr. Dain to nominate a South staff member for the Hard Hat Hero Award

SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAR 6 Odd Block 7:00pm PTSA Meeting	MAR 7 Even Block	MAR 8 Odd Block	MAR 9 LATE START Even Block	MAR 10 NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day
MAR 13 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	MAR 14 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	MAR 15 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	MAR 16 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	MAR 17 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK
MAR 20 Traditional Schedule	MAR 21 Even Block	MAR 22 Odd Block	MAR 23 LATE START Even Block	MAR 24 Odd Block Pep Assembly
MAR 27 Traditional Schedule	MAR 28 Even Block	MAR 29 Odd Block	MAR 30 LATE START Even Block	MAR 31 Odd Block
APR 3 Odd Block	APR 4 Even Block	APR 5 Odd Block 7:00pm PTSA Meeting	APR 6 LATE START Even Block	APR 7 NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day
APR 10 NO SCHOOL Professional Learning	APR 11 Even Block	APR 12 Odd Block	APR 13 LATE START Even Block	APR 14 Odd Block
APR 17 Traditional Schedule	APR 18 Even Block	APR 19 Odd Block	APR 20 LATE START Even Block	APR 21 Odd Block
APR 24 Traditional Schedule Senior Signing Assembly	APR 25 Even Block	APR 26 Odd Block	APR 27 LATE START Even Block	APR 28 Odd Block
AP EXAMS				
MAY 1 Traditional Schedule	MAY 2 Even Block	MAY 3 Odd Block	MAY 4 NO LATE START Even Block	MAY 5 Odd Block

Join us PTSA

PTSA Meetings - 7:00pm - Library

Monday, March 6*

Wednesday, April 5

**updated!*

CALLING ALL SENIOR PARENTS

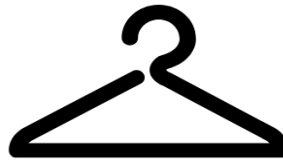
Please join us to help plan a fun and safe event for our seniors after Graduation. We have three PROJECT GRADUATION meetings left, and we would love your help!

Monday, 3/6 - SMS library - 6 pm

Monday 4/10 - SMS library - 7 pm

Monday, 5/8 - SMS library - 7 pm

If you have any questions, contact: Dara Guiliani at daragiuliani@gmail.com or Molly Gray at dmgray0502@gmail.com.



DANCE ATTIRE DRIVE

FEB. 26 - MAR. 3

- Drop off: box in front office
- All donations will be delivered to Shawnee Mission Clothing Closet

Help local students in need by donating any used hoco/sweetheart/prom clothing, shoes, and accessories.

NHS students will receive 2 service hours for each article of clothing donated (max of 4 hours)

QUESTIONS?

email gretchenknust@gmail.com



Project Graduation

Dear South Family and Friends,

Spring is just around the corner and this school year will be over in a flash. Spring semester and graduation can be bittersweet for Seniors. We want the memories of graduation night to be special, positive, and safe for this year's class. 2023 will mark the 32nd year that Shawnee Mission South will host Project Graduation for our Seniors. This project funds an event on graduation night, including a venue, activities, and prizes so graduates can form positive and safe memories on this special evening. Project Graduation is supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and endorsed by the SMS PTSA and the Shawnee Mission School District administration. Every graduating student is invited to attend this fun, safe and substance free event. Project Graduation costs \$28,000 and relies on support from the entire school.

We're asking each SMS family to help offset this cost by making a financial donation if they're able. With the intention that each of our kids will enjoy this party when it's their turn to graduate, we're asking Freshman families to contribute \$20, Sophomores \$30, Juniors \$40, and Senior families \$50 to help support this special tradition. Every dollar raised will significantly reduce the cost per student to attend Project Graduation, making it feasible for every graduate to attend. Not only is your financial gift important, we also need parent volunteers to help make this an evening to remember. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tina Monks: tmonks1976@gmail.com. We're looking forward to hosting a terrific event. Thanks so much for your consideration and support of Project Graduation and the Senior Class of 2023.

WAYS TO GIVE: 1. Donate by PayPal or credit/debit card on the Paypal website. Click on the link below or scan the QR code to take you to the website. Once you are on the website, you may need to scroll down to see the credit card payment option.

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=VBWZST98SMSRN



*Follow @counselingSMS on twitter
Facebook 'Shawnee Mission South Counseling'*

- Juniors- February 28th is the state funded junior ACT exam that will be administered here at SMS. Be on the lookout for more information coming the week of Feb 21st. Visit www.act.org/testprep to help you prepare.
- JCCC FAFSA Priority Deadline - March 15
- Still need to start or finish FAFSA? Come to the library February 16th 6-8pm to have Ms. Coopman, our college adviser, help you through it!
- Is your child making progress with their Individual Plan of Study? Ask them to show you their Xello goals and plans and their YouScience career results.
- KC Scholars is a great scholarship opportunity for Freshmen and Juniors! The application deadline is 2/25. Visit www.kcscholars.org for more information or reach out to our College Adviser.
- Is your child struggling in a class? Academic First Tutoring is available after school. Reach out to your child's teacher or their counselor for more info.
- In need of some help? Fill out the [Family Assistance Request Form](#) or simply call 913-993-7530 to talk with a social worker.
- Visit [Johnson County Mental Health Center](#) and [Johnson County Family Resources](#) for family/adolescent support.
- Recursos en Español- [El Centro](#) [JoCo Salud Mental- se habla Español.](#)

Upcoming College Visits to South 2022-2023

College and University admissions representatives come to the Counseling Center at Shawnee Mission South to share about the college/university they represent. If you are interested in attending a specific visit, please contact Mrs. Ross, Counseling Secretary, at christinaross@smsd.org.

March

Oklahoma Christian University	Monday, March 6	10:30
University of Nebraska, Lincoln	Monday, March 6	12:55
Simpson College	Tuesday, March 7	1:05
Kansas State University	Wednesday, March 8	9:20
Missouri State University	Wednesday, March 8	1:05
Missouri Science & Technology University	Monday, March 27	8:35
Langston University (Oklahoma) - virtual	Tuesday, March 28	1:05
Kansas Wesleyan University	Wednesday, March 29	9:20
TUS Limerick City (Ireland)	Wednesday, March 29	1:05

April

University of Missouri, Columbia	Wednesday, April 5	9:20
Marquette University	Wednesday, April 5	1:05
University of Arizona	Thursday, April 6	1:05





SMS Raiders RISE

Respectful to Others
Initiates Change
School Pride
Empowered Learner

#RaidersRise

PURPOSE

Monthly reward raffle for qualifying students who help Raiders RISE above expectations and develop an accepting and safe culture. RISE recipients are announced the first Monday of the month.

HOW TO QUALIFY

- 1 or less unexcused absences
- 1 or less tardies
- 90% attendance rate
- 0 discipline referrals
- No Fs

Congratulations to our March Raiders R.I.S.E. winners:
Freshmen: Caleb Hill
Sophomore: Ava Kelsey
Junior: Prince Miller
Senior: Riko Uehara



UNDER ARMOUR



TECH TIPS

HELPFUL TECH RESOURCES FOR PARENTS



Even if you have talked to your teen about appropriate screen time usage and responsible online behavior, you may still have difficulty managing their digital activity. Based on your needs, there are some different ways that you can limit how much access your teen has. Below are some resources:



1

Parental Controls for
Websites



2

Monitoring
Phones



3

Social Media
Controls



4

All Other Online Tips for
Parents



Health Office Update

March 2023

Parents~ 993-7545 to report an all day absence; 993-7546 To call out a student.
Please DO NOT send your student to the health office to leave.

SPRING SPORTS



Good luck to all of those trying out for spring sports. Remember all physicals **MUST** be in before you can try out. Get those missing immunizations in.

Enjoy your spring break, rest, eat, stay hydrated and have fun.

Dates to Remember:

March 1, Girls BB

March 10th, NO SCHOOL

March 12, Spring Forward

March 13-17th, NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK

March 17, St. Patrick's Day



Angie York – SM South Nurse
913.993.7516
soyork@smsd.org

Job Speaker Series

During Seminar

Come learn a little more about different professions

11/29- Abby Eden

Television Journalist

12/06- Roginia Moore

Realtor

01/31- LaDonna Thompson

Vet Tech

02/14- Meghan Dudek

Interior Design

02/21- Zach Olinger

IT Solutions Architect

03/21- Christi Mook

Fashion Merchandising

03/28- Bridget Anaya

Funeral Director

04/11- Maggie Flynn

Risk Management/

Insurance

04/18- Macee Kelly

Esthetician



Sign up here

You must sign up to
attend

SM RAIDER FOOTBALL MULCH FUNDRAISER



The SM South Gridiron Club invites you to get a head start on your Spring landscaping while supporting the Raider Football Program! Community involvement is so important, and your support helps provide weekly team dinners, transportation, end-of-season banquet, replacements and upgrades to team equipment, Mom's clinic, technology, and much more.

MULCH COLORS AND PRICING

- \$5 per bag, which includes FREE delivery to your local driveway
 - Choose from Black, Brown, Red or Cedar Blend mulch
- Each bag is 2 cubic feet (coverage estimator chart is on the order form)



ORDERS DUE MARCH 18

All orders are placed online through the form below and must be received by the March 18 deadline

DRIVEWAY DELIVERIES ON APRIL 1 BETWEEN 8AM AND 5PM

Don't need mulch or live too far away? You can skip the order form and **donate a tax-deductible gift** directly to the team! [**CLICK HERE**](#) to see donation payment options!

[**CLICK HERE TO ORDER
MULCH AND SUPPORT YOUR
SOUTH FOOTBALL TEAM**](#)

SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH

Yard Sign Order Form

Yard Signs

\$50 for Yard Sign

18" x 18" sign on white PVC

Riders

\$12.00 for each Rider

3" x 18" white PVC

Riders are available for any school activity. Yard signs also come with steel T-bar stake and "S" hooks.



Rider Examples:

Football	Marching Band	NHS	Senior	Pep Club	Basketball
Soccer	Symph. Band	Spanish Honor Society	Class of 2023	Wrestling	Chinese Club
Jazz Band	Orchestra	KSMS	Class of 2024	French Club	Golf
Concert Band	Cross Country	Forensics	Swim/Dive	Bowling	Latin Club
Pep Band	Debate	Academic Decathlon	STUCO	Softball	Russian Club
Tennis	Drumline	DECA	Yearbook	International Club	Baseball
Gymnastics	Choir	Mathletics	The Patriot	Track & Field	Green Club
Heritage Singers	Volleyball	GSA	Categories	Inscriptions	Pacesetters
Chanticleers	Robotics	FCA	Coalition	Class Officer	Democrats in Action
Cheerleading	Chorale Choir	Raider Researcher	Science Olympiad	R.A.D.D.	Show-Me-South
Drum Major	Theatre	Business Professionals	Club 121	NAHS (National Art Honor Society)	Med Sci Health
Link Crew	Ethics Club	of America	Animal Rights Club		Swim

Customer's Name: _____ Student's Name: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

of Yard Signs: _____ Riders: _____ Total \$ _____

Venmo @jennifer-burns-96 (and put exact info from form)
OR Mail your order form & check payable to Project Graduation to:
 Jennifer Burns c/o SMS Signs
 3517 West 97th Place, Leawood, KS 66206

For questions: Contact Jennifer Burns
 913-526-4977
 jboresow@gmail.com

Deadline for spring orders are March 9, 2023
Signs will be available for pick-up on a specified date – watch your email!

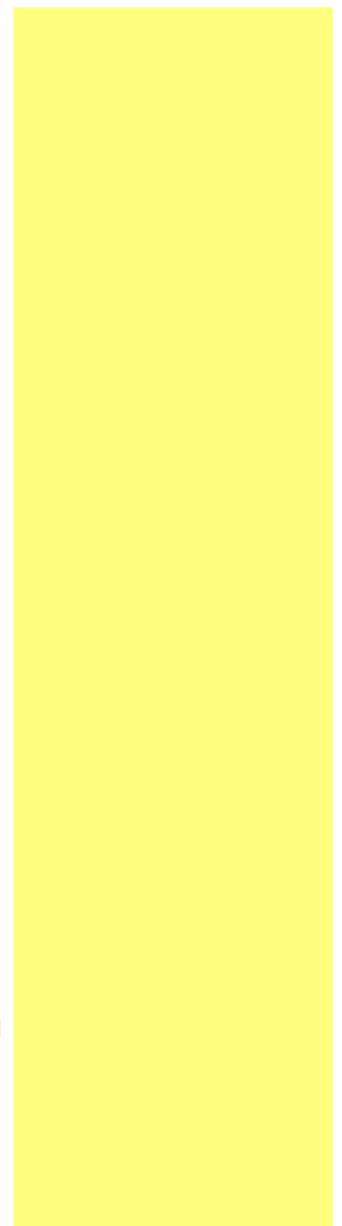
Sales to benefit SMS Project Graduation

Shawnee Mission South Athletic Senior Signing

April 11
Seminar – 9:30
SMS Aux Gym
Parents welcome

**Athletes will receive a limited
number of tickets to pass out to
school friends and teammates**

Contact the SMS Athletics office for
more information: 993-7502



SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH SUMMER CAMPS

Make plans now to attend our summer athletic camps. Click link below to enroll:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HwsCCOAI3WMS0_V5kv4CpDI0SuvWHp5oD9Mu892OE6U/edit



A promotional graphic for Shawnee Mission South High School Summer Raider Camps. The background is a gradient of green and yellow with a dotted pattern. At the top right, there is a plus sign and the hashtag #GORAIDERS. In the center, the text "SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL" is written in a bold, sans-serif font, followed by "SUMMER" in a large, bold, sans-serif font, and "RAIDER CAMPS" in a large, white, cursive font. To the right of the text is a green silhouette of a raider on a horse, holding a spear. Below the text is a QR code. At the bottom right, there is a URL: <https://smsouthraiders.com/@SMSRaidersAD>. In the bottom left corner, there is a yellow starburst shape with the text "Enroll today!!" in a bold, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, there is a photograph of seven female athletes wearing white jerseys with "RAIDERS" and their numbers (24, 11, 20, 23, 32, 15) on them, posing for a group photo.

SHAWNEE MISSION
SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMER
RAIDER CAMPS

#GORAIDERS

<https://smsouthraiders.com/@SMSRaidersAD>

Enroll today!!

BOLD PARENTING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 7:00-8:30pm

Indian Hills Middle School

Two Tents Adolescent Services Presents

BOLD PARENTING Adolescents

BREATHE DEEPLY & SLOWING DOWN
OBSERVE MY FEELINGS & THOUGHTS
LISTEN TO MY VALUES
DECIDE ON ACTIONS & DO THEM

RENEWKC.COM

ADHD,
ANXIETY &
DEPRESSION

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH
INDIAN HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL
7:00-8:30 PM
OPEN TO ALL DISTRICTS



Mar 29



BOLD Parenting Adolescent ADHD, Anxiety & Depression

Raising teens is hard. Especially, if they are struggling and you feel like you're "walking on eggshells." Become a BOLD Parent.

General Admission

1

Free

Reserve a spot



By The Anxiety Center @ Renew

412 followers

Follow

Prom Info

Saturday, March 25th
at Union Station

Ticket Information:

---All Seniors and Juniors---

---\$25 per person---

Purchased in advance during lunch or after school starting

Wednesday, March 8th

Be sure to fill out an "Outside Guest Form" from the office if
bringing someone who does not attend South by

Thursday, March 23rd

Questions? See Mrs. Olson in Room 355



Latino students and their parents/guardians are invited to a free, bilingual information session about how to prepare for college.
Los estudiantes latinos y su padres/guardianes están invitados a una sesion de informacion bilingue gratuita sobre como prepararse para la universidad.

Agenda

9:30 am Resource Fair
10:00 am Welcoming Remarks
10:15-11:15 am Breakout Sessions:
Planning and Paying for College
11:15 am Panel Discussion
11:45-12:00 pm Resource Fair

Information will be available in
Spanish and English.
Informacion y traductores en **inglés y español.**

Transportation assistance offered.
Asistencia de transporte ofrecida.

March 25, 2023
9:30 am - 12:00 pm

K-State Olathe
22201 W Innovation Dr
Olathe, KS 66061

Register at/
registrarse
bit.ly/LTCK2023



Questions/Preguntas?

Contact: Laura
loyacono@ksu.edu

KANSAS STATE
College Advising Corps

SM South Athletics & Activities Calendar March 6-11, 2023

Access all SM South athletics and activity event calendar with real-time updates at www.sunflowerleague.org

Monday, March 6, 2023 – BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

[Middle School Band Festival](#)

Auditorium

6:00pm

[Project Graduation](#)

Library

7:00pm

[PTSA \(Parent, Teacher, Student, Association\)](#)

Library

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 – BLOCKS 2 – Seminar – 4 – 6

[SMSD Choir Festival](#)

Auditorium

7:00am

[National Honor Society](#)

Auditorium

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 – BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

8:00am

[UMKC Concert Band Festival](#)

Thursday, March 9, 2023 – Late Start - BLOCKS 2 – Advisory – 4 – 6

[End of quarter](#)

Friday, March 10, 2023 – NO SCHOOL – TEACHER WORK DAY

