

# SM WEST NEWSLETTER

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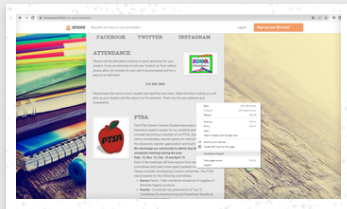


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## ATTENDANCE

Please call the attendance hotline to report absences for your student. If you are planning to pick your student up from school, please allow 30 minutes for your call to be processed and for a pass to be delivered.



**913-993-7845**

Please leave the name of your student and spell the last name. State the time in which you will pick up your student and the reason for the absence. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.



## IMPORTANT REMINDER - ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The first class of the day STARTS promptly at 7:40am. Students are welcome to arrive after 7am and breakfast is served starting at 7:15am.

**We need EVERYONE'S cooperation to be here on time.**

Students who understand the value of punctuality and attend school on time, **get better grades and enjoy a greater sense of well-being and confidence**

The school day ends at 2:40pm. Students should be off campus after 3:00pm unless they are under the direct supervision of a coach or sponsor.

Regular attendance is vital for student success.

- Your children can suffer academically if they miss 10 percent of the school year or about 18 days. That can be just one day every two weeks, and that can happen before you know it.
- Some absences are unavoidable. We understand that children will get sick and need to stay home occasionally. The important thing is to get your children to school as often as possible.
- Sporadic absences, not just those on consecutive days of school, matter. Before you know it – just one or two days a month can add up to nearly 10 percent of the school year.
- If too many absences occur, it is still a problem whether they are excused or unexcused because they represent too much lost learning time in the classroom.

We appreciate our students, parents, staff and community helping to prioritize the importance of coming to school and then making sure to arrive on time to each class throughout the day.

Thank you.

## STAFF DIRECTORY

Please use this link to access the Staff Directory on our Webpage.

[STAFF DIRECTORY](#)



## ATHLETIC WEBPAGE

Please use this link to access the SM West Athletic Webpage.

[West Athletic Page](#)

For the most up to date athletic schedule please use the Sunflower League page.

[Sunflower League Webpage](#)



# BELL SCHEDULE

Below is an image of our SM West weekly bell schedule.

Our Late Start Thursdays will not begin until Sept. 14th. An updated bell schedule will be announced at that time.

Occasionally, throughout the year, there might be changes in our bell schedule. Days in which we host pep assemblies will have a different schedule as well as during Finals.



## MONDAY

1 <sup>st</sup> Period	7:40 - 8:30	50
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period	8:35 - 9:25	50
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period	9:30 - 10:20	50
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	10:25 - 11:15	50
5 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:20 - 12:50	55
6 <sup>th</sup> Period	12:55 - 1:45	50
7 <sup>th</sup> Period	1:50 - 2:40	50



### 5<sup>th</sup> Block Lunch

Lunch A	11:20 - 11:50
Lunch B	11:50 - 12:20
Lunch C	12:20 - 12:50

## TUESDAY

2 <sup>nd</sup> Period	7:40 - 9:15	95
8 <sup>th</sup> Seminar	9:20 - 10:55	95
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
6 <sup>th</sup> Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

Announcements	9:20-9:30
Advisory	9:30-9:55
Seminar	9:55-10:55

### 4<sup>th</sup> Block Lunch

Lunch A	11:00 - 11:30
Lunch B	11:45 - 12:15
Lunch C	12:30 - 1:00

## WEDNESDAY

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## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Our West Staff is very excited to start the 2023-2024 academic year!

**Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2023 - Freshman and Seniors begin.**

**Freshman** - Our LINK Crew team, made up of upperclassman volunteers, have planned a day filled with information, fun, and a chance for students to run through their schedule.

**Seniors** - Our seniors have a unique opportunity to participate in an **off site** experience on Tuesday, Aug. 15th. Students and Families have been sent a Google Form to indicate their preference to visit a college, perform in community service, or to job shadow. We are hoping that the majority of our seniors will take advantage of this opportunity. Please complete the google form or call our Attendance line with a message of your students plans for the day. 993-7845

Some of our seniors will attend West on Tuesday if they are part of LINK Crew or any of the groups that will welcome the Freshmen.

**Sophomores and Juniors** will join Freshman and Seniors.  
Students will follow an ALL CLASS schedule for the day.

MacBooks will be distributed and ID pictures will be taken for those not in attendance on Tuesday.

## SPECIAL NOTE FOR FRESHMEN

FIRST DAY for Freshman - Tues. Aug. 15th Bell to start the day will ring at 7:40. Please arrive on time.

Freshmen will spend the day becoming more acclimated to all things West. They will even have time to run through their schedule so that they feel better about finding all of their classes.

Freshman will be directed to our Bridge area. There will be plenty of staff and upperclassman helpers there to direct students. These helpers make up our LINK crew and will be a great resource for our freshmen all year long.

-If your student has already picked up their MacBook over the summer, please have them leave that at home on 8/15 – they will NOT need it for the first day of school.

**-If your student did not come over the summer for their MacBook, they will receive that on 8/15.**

**-All freshmen will have their yearbook/school picture taken on 8/15.**

-Please encourage your freshman to wear comfortable shoes on 8/15 as they will be moving around the building quite a bit.

**-Encourage your student to have a copy of their schedule – a picture on their phone or a paper copy would be great.**

-Please have your student bring a pen/pencil to write with on 8/15.







## CLASS SCHEDULE UPDATE

# STUDENT SCHEDULE UPDATES

It is very important that every student log into their Skyward account for the most up to date personal student schedule before their first day of school.

Schedules have continued to change and updates have been made and will be reflected on the Skyward account.

## PICTURE DAYS

### Picture Days:

Aug. 15 Freshmen ID and Yearbook Photo and Senior ID photo for LINK Crew and LINK Crew helpers

Aug. 16 Sophomore and Junior ID and Yearbook Photo

Aug. 16 Senior ID Photo for seniors that were off campus on Tues. Aug. 15th.

Oct. 30 Last Change Retakes





SHAWNEE MISSION WEST

# BACK TO SCHOOL

**August 24th  
6PM-9PM**

**6PM-6:45PM**

**VIKING VIEW FOR FRESHMAN AND  
NEW FAMILIES IN AUDITORIUM**

**6PM-6:45PM**

**AP/COLLEGE NOW INFORMATION  
SESSION IN CAFETERIA**

**7PM-9PM**

**VISIT CLASSROOM TEACHERS  
FOLLOWING ALL CLASS BELL  
SCHEDULE**

 913-993-7800

 <https://smwest.smsd.org/>

 8800 West 85th Street, OP, KS



## NEW STAFF AT SM WEST

We are so very excited to welcome many new staff members to SM West. View this link below to see who is new at West.

[New Staff Introduction Video.](#)

## FALL SPORTS

Fall sports teams will begin practices and tryouts on Monday, August 14. Below are a list of sports we offer during the fall season at Shawnee Mission West:

- Football



- Boys Soccer
- Girls Volleyball
- Girls Tennis
- Girls Golf
- Girls Gymnastics
- Boys & Girls Cross Country
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Please keep in mind that no student is allowed to practice, tryout, or participate in any way until they have an up-to-date physical exam on file in the Athletic Office.

Please do not give your physical exam forms to a coach. It is vital that office staff be able to look over the forms to ensure everything is complete. We also want to make sure no forms get misplaced or lost after they've been turned in. Therefore all physicals should be returned to Patti McCluskie, Athletic Director Secretary, in the Middle office at SM West.

Physical and Concussion Forms in both English and Spanish are attached below.

If you have a question about a specific sport, please reach out to the head coach for that program. Below is a link to our staff directory for athletics.

<https://shawneemissionwestvikings.com/staff-directory/>

**Meet the Coach Aug. 21st 6pm:** For students participating in Fall Sports



Sports Physicals English.pdf



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sports physical Spanish.pdf



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## BOOKKEEPING NEWS

### FEE PAYMENT

We strongly encourage and recommend our patrons pay fees online. Below is the link to pay for fees:

<https://www.smsd.org/families/pay-fees>

Our office will be able to take walk-in payments during our normal business hours.

PDF's are linked below for an explanation of fees (English and Spanish version) please make sure that all your fees are

getting paid now.

- The online fee payment portal can be found at <https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55790>.

You can set up an account or pay as a guest using the student's ID number. There is a \$3.00 fee to pay on line. Or you can call us and pay over the phone, send a check or pay in person without paying a fee


- Families that qualify for free and reduced lunch can get a waiver for part of the school fees by showing a copy of the Food Services letter to the Bookkeeper.
- You can request a payment plan with the bookkeeper, Cristina Seyler at (913)993-7810 or emailing Cristina at [cristinaseyler@smsd.org](mailto:cristinaseyler@smsd.org).

Thank you.

**Cristina Seyler**  
**SM WEST HS Bookkeeper**  
**8800 W 85th Street**  
**Overland Park, KS 66212**  
**913-993-7810**




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Fee Payment FY24 Spanish.pdf

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## STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

Dear West Student and Families,

We are looking forward to see you all back in the building soon! This is a reminder that your schedule is available for you to see in your Skyward account. When you view your schedule, you'll be able to see both first semester (term 1 and term 2) and second semester (term 3 and term 4) classes.

All students had until May 31st last spring to change their minds on the courses they chose and to notify us so we could make adjustments. At this point in time we are only making changes for the following reasons:

- Student does not have a full schedule (7 classes each semester).
- Student is missing an ELA, math, social studies, or science class.



- Schedule shows two classes in the same class period. Please note: Some classes have two teachers for the same class in the same classroom, and this is not an error.
- Student does not meet the prerequisite for a specific course.
- Schedule shows a course the student has already taken and the course cannot be repeated for credit (only art and PE courses may be repeated for credit).
- Student did not take a summer school course and needs the course added to schedule
- Student needs a specific course to meet graduation requirements.
- Student did not pass a course and needs to make up that credit.
- Schedule shows a course you did not request (either as a first choice or an alternate class).

Reminder: If you are enrolled in an AP or Honors course, you are committing to that course for at least the fall semester. We can consider changes for the second semester. Not completing required summer work does not qualify you for a schedule change.

If one of the above situations applies to you, please use this form to notify us of the issue and needed changes. Form link: <https://forms.gle/UQqt3uVkPPCWSkjm7>

This link is also available on the SMWest Student Services Canvas page under Announcements: <https://smsd.instructure.com/courses/22341>

We are only able to accept requests using the form during this very busy start of the year time period (rather than email or voice messages or meetings). Thank you for your understanding. We are looking forward to seeing you all back in the building very soon!

Sincerely,

SMW Student Services Department



## FROM OUR SM WEST NURSE

Please remember to complete the Skyward Health History and Medication Permission forms for each student through Family Skyward. We need updated Over the Counter (OTC) medication permission each year to dispense these medications to your student.

Please contact the Nurse Office if your student has had any medical changes since last school year.

The SM West Nurse will be at Back-to-School night—on August 24th—if students/families would like to drop off any medications, vaccination records and/or discuss any health changes.

### Vaccination Requirements

We must have verification of a **completed MCV/ACWY vaccine (not meningitis B) for all Juniors by early October 2023**. A dose after turning 16 years old is required, regardless of receiving this same vaccine in middle school.

**In addition, all students will need a minimum of 1 (one) dose of Hepatitis A to start school.**

If records are not received by the first exclusion date on October 23rd, 2023 students will not be permitted to attend school until verification is provided.

Email vaccination records to: [aciamorley@smsd.org](mailto:aciamorley@smsd.org), or make sure the vaccination record is submitted along with the sports physicals in the fall (if applicable). our Students Healthy

- Please reach out with any questions or concerns—sometimes email is the best:

[kimberlytennissen@smsd.org](mailto:kimberlytennissen@smsd.org) or [aciamorely@smsd.org](mailto:aciamorely@smsd.org)

Questions: call 913-993-7960

Kim Tennissen, RN, FNP-BC

Shawnee Mission West Nurse

8800 West 85th Street

Overland Park, KS 66212

Phone: 913-993-7816

Fax: 913-993-1483

[kimberlytennissen@smsd.org](mailto:kimberlytennissen@smsd.org)

## MACBOOK/IT - IMPORTANT

Many of our students were able to pick up their MacBooks during our Early MacBook Rollout.' If you received your device on July 25th, then please make sure to set Chrome as your default browser. Here is a link for instructions:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UCo7L5B9PwmqDECiLayyb7r965hd9M1WxJfgynQgWqU/edit?usp=sharing>



Please make a diligent choice to take care of your MacBook each and everyday.

- **Cracked Screens**

- The screens to the new devices are very delicate. Please remind students not to pick up the device by the screen and do not close the device with something in it.

- **Tech Resource Page**

- We have a Tech Resource Page that assist students with tech issues that arise. Please bookmark this page. Link =>

<https://sites.google.com/smsd.org/smwtechrescue/tech-issue>

### ICT Updates

We want to remind you of a few things now that we are back in the swing of the school year:

1. Your MacBook must have the district issued case on it at all times. (Failure to have the cover in place will result in confiscation of the MacBook.)
2. Please only carry your MacBook with the screen shut and with both hands to keep the machine secure.
3. Do not ever pick up the MacBook by the screen. The LCD is very sensitive and the pressure of your grip will break the screen.



4. Keyboard covers should not be used since non-Apple keyboard covers might be too large and can put pressure on the screens and cause damage.
5. Please don't leave your MacBook in a car overnight.
6. Needed programs can be found on Manager. You will not be able to download programs from the App Store for use on these devices.
7. Downloading VPNs (Virtual Private Networks) or other programs that mask your device on the network are a violation of the Responsible Use Policy you have agreed to. Use of these will result in the confiscation of the MacBook and you may MacBook access for the semester/school year for consistent violations.
8. Due to the MacBook refresh this summer and the cost of the new hardware, the replacement device cost has gone up. Although, the charger cost has dropped. The incident fees have stayed the same (fees reset in high school).
  1. 1st Incident/Damaged Device fee: \$100.00
  2. 2nd Incident/Damaged Device fee: \$150.00
  3. 3rd and Subsequent Incident/Damage Device fee: Actual cost of repair/replacement or \$300.00 whichever is greater.
  4. Apple MacBook Air M1 USB-C Cable Replacement - \$19
  5. Apple MacBook Air M1 Charger Replacement - \$39
  6. Apple MacBook Air M1 Adapter Set Replacement - \$58
  7. Apple MacBook Air M1 Replacement/Lost Device fee - \$1,117.95
9. If you ever need help or support with your device, please review our Tech Rescue Page (<https://sites.google.com/smsd.org/smwtechrescue/tech-issues>). If you are still experiencing issues, then you can submit a Web Help Desk Ticket (<https://support.smsd.org>).

Please reach out if there are any questions or issues. We do work with students and families through this process.

Below you will find some helpful images to assist with Skyward and Canvas.



# Don't Know Your Username and/or Password?

SKYWARD®  
Shawnee Mission School District  
Student

Login ID:

Password:

[Sign In](#)

[Forgot your Login/Password?](#)

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1 Click on "Forgot Your Login/Password?"

SKYWARD®

**Forgotten Login/Password Assistance**

Please enter your email address or user name. If it matches the email or user name the district has on file, you will be sent an email containing your login and a link that can be used to reset your password.

Email or User Name:

[Submit](#) [Back](#)

2 Enter your email address



3 Check your email and follow the prompts to reset your password and identify your username.

# Getting started with Canvas

## #1 Accessing Canvas



Parents/Guardians can access Observer accounts to view grades, resources and activities posted in their child's courses. An account can be created within the app for mobile devices ([iOS](#), [Android](#)) or via the URL <https://smsd.instructure.com/login/canvas>

## #2 Logging In



If using the URL [click here](#). If using the [Canvas Parent App](#), you will be asked to find your school. Begin typing Shawnee Mission and select **parent/guardian**. At the login page, select "parent of a canvas user- create account." Enter information and [pairing code](#).

## #3 Observer Accounts

Observer accounts can:

- View student grades
- Read announcements
- View the calendar
- See the course syllabus
- View list of assignments
- Set up email or text notifications

## #4 Navigating the Courses

Students will have course cards for each subject area (math, science, reading, etc.). Each course card will contain resources, assignments, and other information important to that subject area.



## #5 View Announcements



As an observer, you have the option to set your preferences for how you'd like to receive notifications. Observers can receive an email, a push notification with the Canvas Parent app, or a text message when announcements are posted.

## #6 Check Grades



**Open the course>Click on "Grades"**

This will access grades by assignment, overall grade and late or missing work. Canvas will have the most up to date grade, however, Skyward is still the official documented course grade that will be on a student's transcript. If Canvas and Skyward differ, and you have questions, reach out to your child's teacher.

## #7 Message the Teacher



Parents can send a message to the teacher within a [Canvas course](#) or directly from an [assignment](#).

## #8 Use the Calendar



Click on the Calendar icon to view upcoming assignments in all courses, undated items and even add personal calendar events.

For more resources: <https://community.canvaslms.com/15/Observer-Guide/tkb-p/observer>

Scan here to access this document digitally for links embedded.





# Primeros pasos con Canvas

## #1 Accediendo a Canvas



Los padres/tutores pueden acceder a las cuentas de Observer para ver las calificaciones, los recursos y las actividades publicadas en los cursos de sus hijos. Se puede crear una cuenta dentro de la aplicación para dispositivos móviles (iOS, Android) o a través de la URL  
<https://smsd.instructure.com/login/canvas>

## #2 Iniciando sesión



Si usa la URL, haga clic [aquí](#). Si usa la [aplicación Canvas Parent](#), se le pedirá que busque su escuela. Comience a escribir Shawnee Mission y seleccione padre/tutor. En la página de inicio de sesión, seleccione "principal de un usuario de lienzo: cree una cuenta". Introduzca la información y el [código de emparejamiento](#).

## #3 Cuentas de observadores

Las cuentas de observador pueden:

- Ver las calificaciones de los estudiantes
- Ver lista de asignaciones
- Leer anuncios
- Configurar notificaciones por correo electrónico o mensajes de texto
- Ver el calendario
- Ver el programa del curso

## #4 Navegando por los cursos

Los estudiantes tendrán tarjetas de curso para cada área temática (matemáticas, lectura, etc). cada curso la tarjeta contendrá recursos, tareas y otra información importante para esa materia.



## #5 Ver anuncios



Como observador, tiene la opción de establecer sus preferencias sobre cómo le gustaría recibir notificaciones. Los observadores pueden recibir un correo electrónico, una notificación automática con la aplicación Canvas Parent o un mensaje de texto cuando se publican anuncios.

## #6 Verificar calificaciones



**Abra el curso > Haga clic en "Calificaciones"**  
 Esto accederá a las calificaciones por tarea, calificación general y trabajo atrasado o faltante. Canvas tendrá la calificación más actualizada, sin embargo, Skyward sigue siendo la calificación oficial documentada del curso que estará en el expediente académico del estudiante. Si Canvas y Skyward difieren y tiene preguntas, comuníquese con el maestro de su hijo.

## #7 Mensaje al maestro



Los padres pueden enviar un mensaje al maestro dentro de un curso de [Canvas](#) o directamente [desde una tarea](#).

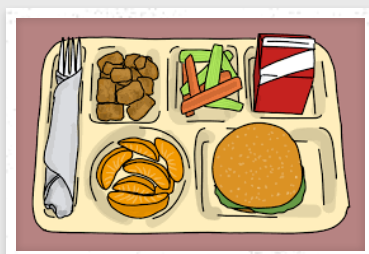
## #8 Usa el Calendario



Haga clic en el ícono Calendario para ver las próximas tareas en todos los cursos, elementos sin fecha e incluso agregar eventos de calendario personales.

Para más recursos: <https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Observer-Guide/tkb-p/observer>

Escanee aquí para acceder a este documento digitalmente para ver los enlaces incrustados.



## MESSAGE FROM FOOD SERVICE

Students are able to purchase breakfast and lunch prepared by our food service staff. Students may also bring sack lunches from home.

**SM West does not allow for Door Dash deliveries or for fast food to be delivered to students during the school day.**

**ONLY SENIORS are allowed to leave campus for lunch - WITH Parent Permission.** More information about this privilege will be communicated to seniors soon, but will not begin until potentially after Labor Day.



## **2023-24 - Child Nutrition Program Meal Benefit Application**

Families are encouraged to complete an application for meal benefits – free or reduced priced meals – as part of the Online Verification. The link to the Child Nutrition Program Meal Benefit Application is available on Skyward or the online application is on [School Cafe](#). Families do need to create a School Cafe account if they do not already have one - more information may be located on the [SMSD Food Service Free and Reduced](#) web page. Contact the Food Service office by calling 913-993-9710 for questions on the meal benefit application.

### **Potential Benefits of Filling out the Application**

Families, whose meal benefit application is approved for meal benefits, can receive a breakfast and lunch at the free or reduced price – depending on their qualifying benefit.

Families who complete an application and qualify also generate additional state funds for our schools.

Families who qualify for child nutrition meal benefits, may receive additional benefits such as free/reduced instructional resource fees, transportation fees, and Pre-k enrollment.

### **Consent for Disclosure and Eligibility**

Families are encouraged to complete a Consent for Disclosure form in [Skyward](#) which gives SMSD Food Service permission to share a child's eligibility status information with the programs families designate on the consent form.

Families who are receiving certain types of state assistance, a meal benefit application may not be necessary. If a family is directly certified for meal benefits due to state assistance, Food Service will email a notification of eligibility. If you receive state assistance and have not received a notification of eligibility, call the [SMSD Food Service office](#) before completing a meal program application.

Families who are directly certified are encouraged to complete a Consent for Disclosure form in Skyward which gives SMSD Food Service permission to share a child's eligibility status information with the programs families designate on the consent form.

Thank you.

## FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION

### Why Apply?

Filling out the Free or Reduced Lunch Application helps with more than meals. Applying and qualifying can benefit families and students across the Shawnee Mission School District in multiple ways.

For more info and links to apply:  
<https://bit.ly/3QaDJwZ>

### QUALIFYING APPLICATIONS CAN HELP WITH:



Food Service Department  
6701 West 83rd Street  
Overland Park, KS 66204  
(913) 993-9710  
[www.smsd.org](http://www.smsd.org)

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



## SCHOOL FUNDING

Increased state and federal money for staff and school resources at your child's school.

## REDUCED FEES

Eligible families may receive free/reduced instructional resources and Pre-K enrollment fees.



## TRANSPORTATION

Families may qualify for free/reduced transportation. Consent document must be completed.

## DISCOUNTS

Discounts on college application fees and on SAT, ACT, and AP testing fees.



## BROADBAND ACCESS

Discounts to improve internet and technology access in the home.

## SOLICITUD DE ALMUERZO GRATUITO O PRECIO REDUCIDO

### ¿Por qué Aplicar?

Llenar la solicitud de almuerzo gratuito o precio reducido ayuda con más que las comidas. Solicitar y calificar puede beneficiar a las familias y estudiantes en todo el Distrito Escolar de Shawnee Mission de múltiples maneras.

Para obtener más información y enlaces para aplicar: <https://bit.ly/3QaDJwZ>.

### LAS SOLICITUDES QUE CALIFICAN PUEDEN AYUDAR CON:



Food Service Department  
6701 West 83rd Street  
Overland Park, KS 66204  
(913) 993-9710  
[www.smsd.org](http://www.smsd.org)

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## FINANCIAMIENTO ESCOLAR

Aumento del dinero estatal y federal para el personal y los recursos escolares en la escuela de su hijo.

## TARIFAS REDUCIDAS

Las familias elegibles pueden recibir recursos de instrucción gratuitos / reducidos y tarifas de inscripción de Pre-K.



## TRANSPORTE

Las familias pueden calificar para transporte gratuito / reducido. El documento de consentimiento debe completarse.

## DESCUENTOS

Descuentos en las tarifas de solicitud universitaria y en las tarifas de las pruebas SAT, ACT y AP.



## ACCESO DE BANDA ANCHA

Descuentos para mejorar el acceso a internet y tecnología en el hogar.



# MEAL ACCOUNTS



## > Meal Prices

	Full Price		Reduced	
	Breakfast	Lunch	Breakfast	Lunch
Elementary	\$1.55	\$2.85	\$0.30	\$0.40
Middle	\$1.65	\$3.00	\$0.30	\$0.40
High	\$1.65	\$3.00	\$0.30	\$0.40
Staff	\$2.35	\$3.95		
Visitor	\$2.55	\$4.30		

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- Parents are encouraged to pay for meals in advance by making prepayments into their student's meal account. A meal account is automatically set up with a zero balance for each student upon enrollment in SMSD.
- Cost of school meals by month is available on the Food Service Prices web page.
- Payments can be made multiple ways.
  - Send a check or cash to the school with the student marked as lunch money
  - Pay online via eFunds - Choose Pay for Optional Fees to add funds to meal accounts
  - Pay by phone by calling Food Service office - 7am to 4pm - 913-993-9710
- Students will be served a reimbursable meal whether the meal account balance is positive or negative
- Ala carte options are available but varies per school level. Students will not be permitted to purchase ala carte items if their account is negative.



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## TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

ALL Students must be registered with DS Bus Lines in order to ride the bus.

Please note the following important information for 2023-24 busing:

- Bus registration may be found at the following link: [DS Bus Lines registration](#)
- 2023-24 bus fees will remain the same as the prior year.
  - \$185/semester/student or \$370/year/student
- Any student attending their home school and living 2.5 miles or more from the school qualifies for free busing. **Registration is required.**
- Students who qualify for the Child Nutrition Meal Benefits – free and reduced priced meals may also qualify for free transportation, and enroll to ride existing routes. When registering, please provide a copy of the Child Nutrition Meal Benefits Eligibility letter to DS Bus Lines to complete the enrollment process. SMSD families can apply for Child Nutrition Meal Benefits after July 1st on School Café - <https://www.schoolcafe.com/SHAWNEEMISSION>.
- Transportation changes put in effect during the 2022-23 school year will remain in effect for the 2023-24 school year. This includes limiting high school routes to students residing over 2.0 miles from their school.
- Bus routes and stop locations will be determined based on those who register for busing. A minimum number of registrations (50 paid) is required in order to offer a route.
- **Annual transportation registration is required for students to receive bus service.**



For more information on Shawnee Mission School District transportation, please visit <https://www.smsd.org/families/transportation> or call DS Bus Lines at 913-384-1190.



In the event there are times throughout the year when routes are running late and notification is needed at the school and family level, we want to encourage you to sign up for Textcaster notifications. We have previously pushed a number of communications about this to families via school newsletters (with your assistance) as well as through district communications reminding of the availability to sign up for text notifications when routes are running late *or compressed with other buses*. **We encourage you to also sign up to receive text notifications as it is the fastest way to provide notice of any changes.**

Sign up for notifications at the following link: <https://my.textcaster.com/asa/2795> where you can select the route numbers pertaining to your school (you may select multiple bus routes). Additionally, we will do our best to provide you with updates as we receive them.



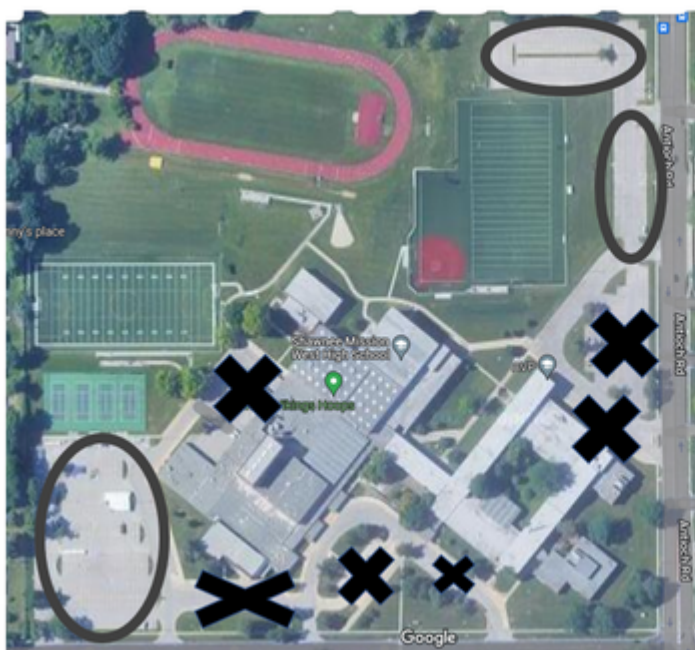
## PARKING PERMITS

Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors are able to park on campus at SM West. A parking permit must be purchased and a parking sticker picked up from our Security personnel in the front entrance.

Parking is \$50 for the year.

It is extremely important that students only park in assigned areas for students, and not staff parking. Tickets will be assessed by our security staff. All rules and regulations are listed with the parking application. See the PDF below.

Also included is a map of West parking.



The circled spots on the map are where students can park.

The X's indicate STAFF parking.

Students are excluded from parking in the staff spaces.

Please refer to parking guidelines and fee structure for parking enforcement.



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## PTSA

The PTSA (Parent-Teacher-Student-Association) is an important support system for our students and staff. Please consider becoming a member of our PTSA. Dues go to support senior scholarships, teacher grants for instructional support in the classroom, teacher appreciation and much more.

Thank you to our PTSA for all of the wonderful things you have been able to provide for our staff and our students.



### **PTSA Officers for 2022-2023 academic year:**

Presidents - Erin VanDyke and Jean Baucom

Past President - Sean Campion

Membership - Michelle Morales

Programs - Gwen Dill

Treasurer - Darci Robinson

Ways & Means - Angie Gunion

Please view the attachment below so that you and your family can become members.  
Thank you for your support.



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Shawnee Mission Schools and the  
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## FOOD SERVICE, CUSTODIAL AND PARAPROFESSIONAL OPENINGS AT SM WEST

West Families,

If you or someone you know is looking for a job, SM West has immediate openings in several departments: Food Service, Custodial and our Paraprofessional Workers

You can use the link below to take you to the SMSD Human Resources page to apply.

[SMSD PAGE](#)

Thank you for your support.