



SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

The Spartan Story

Sayre Lower School Newsletter



WHY DO WE SCREEN?

THE IMPORTANCE OF EARLY INTERVENTION

In the Lower School, we provide speech (1x per year) and academic universal screeners (3x per year). This best practice serves multiple purposes.

First, we are able to “catch” any concerning language and/or academic patterns early. We know there is a window of development where children can work through language, reading, and numeracy challenges and make significant progress.

Second, by having these screenings each year, we ensure that students are making adequate progress. If they are not, we can act immediately and have the tools to do so. Additionally, if a student is making substantial growth, we can approach their learning to meet their needs, too!

Lastly, we understand that there are many facets of each human being. These screeners are a “Kodak” moment. We can dig deeper through additional assessments, discussions, looking at classroom achievement and teacher observations.

If we see an area of concern, we will contact you. The initial screeners tell us whether we need to discuss further. If we do, we will be in touch!

Upcoming Events:

September 27th:
Ally Emig virtual presentation (see pg. 2)

September 29th: Fall Festival at the SAC (see pg. 2)

October 3rd: Silas House Presentation @ 7 PM

October 5th: End of 1st Marking Period

October 6th and 9th: Fall Break (No School for students)

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JOIN US



Click the pumpkin to volunteer!

Ticket Information:

New this year, Sayre is partnering with GoFan to process tickets for the Fall Festival. Every guest over the age of two must have a ticket. You may obtain tickets using the button below.

Student tickets are \$25.00 per student (ages 3-18)

Adult tickets are complementary

A supervising adult must accompany Lower School and Middle School students at the Fall Festival



Click the leaf for tickets!

(Virtually) Meet Ally Emig

An eating disorder specialist local to Lexington, Ally Emig, will be offering a presentation to Sayre's parent community. This presentation will cover how to promote and encourage body positivity as well as highlight important strategies on preventing eating disorders. Ally will be covering topics such as the influence of social media and diet culture, how to support positive body image and intuitive eating and much more. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end of this presentation.



Wednesday, September 27th
7 -8 pm

[GOOGLE MEET LINK](#)

Drop-Off/Pick-Up Etiquette

The Circle:

- Always pull forward for drop-off and pick-up.
- Please do not stop at drop-off in front of the LS door; it will back up the line.
- If you need to come into the building, please park in the designated areas in the back. The circle is not available for parking until after 8:05 AM.

The LS Lot:

- Park in visitor parking (front spots, inside the “cage,” and behind it). Please do not park in the center two rows. Those spots are reserved.
- Once you drop off your child(ren), if you don’t have other things to do at school, please give up your parking spot to make room for another parent.



Volunteers Needed

Having a new math program means making new math centers, games, etc. To get this off the ground, we need your help! If you are willing to help out by coming to school, making copies, cutting, and laminating, please fill out [THIS FORM](#).



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