

# SM West Newsletter

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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.

## Staff Directory

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

[STAFF DIRECTORY](#)



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## Attendance Matters - Focus "Tardiness"

*Tardy Sweeps and Tardy Reduction Incentives*

**Why:** Data suggests that we have a significant number of students who are not making it to class when the bell rings and we want to

increase students' opportunities for success. A vast majority of these students are only missing 5-7 minutes of class when they are tardy. However, that time added over several block periods in a week can lead to a substantial loss of instructional time.

In an effort to provide structure for additional support and enhance the learning opportunities as well as safety in our building, moving forward we will be implementing periodic "tardy sweeps". We

are also offering some incentives for students who consistently get to class on time to continue to do so.

**How:** We will randomly conduct tardy sweeps. Once the sweep is announced, students in the hallway will be escorted to the cafeteria. At that point, they will complete a brief Google form, and then be sent to class (depending on how many tardies they have accumulated). Guardians will receive email notification when your student has been a part of a tardy sweep. Consequences will remain in alignment with our current tardy policy:

- 10 Tardies - 1 hour detention and parent contact
- 20 Tardies - 2 hour detention and parent contact
- 30 Tardies - Assigns 1 day of ISS and parent contact
- 40 Tardies - Assigns 1 day of ISS and parent conference
- 50+ Tardies - Assigns 2 day of ISS and passing privileges removed

**When:** The first tardy sweep will be the week of December 13th, but we will implement them more consistently during 2nd Semester.

**Tardy reduction initiatives:** In addition to implementing the tardy sweep policy, we also want to offer a positive reinforcement incentive to those students that constantly get to class on time. Students who finish the 3rd quarter with 10 or less tardies will have their name entered for a prize. Students with 5 or less tardies will have their name entered three times, and students with 0 tardies will have their name entered five times. We will announce the prize opportunities as we get closer to the end of the third quarter.

## SM West Calendar

Please use this link for our SM West Calendar.

[CALENDAR LINK](#)



## 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.

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	10:55 - 11:25
Lunch B	11:45 - 12:15
Lunch C	12:30 - 1:00

**WEDNESDAY**

1 <sup>st</sup> Period	7:40 - 9:15	95
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period	9:20 - 10:55	95
5 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
7 <sup>th</sup> Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

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

Lunch A	10:55 - 11:25
Lunch B	11:45 - 12:15
Lunch C	12:30 - 1:00

**THURSDAY**

LATE START- PLC	7:30-8:30	60
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period	8:40-10:15	95
8 <sup>th</sup> Seminar	10:20-10:55	35
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
6 <sup>th</sup> Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

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

Lunch A	10:55 - 11:25
Lunch B	11:45 - 12:15
Lunch C	12:30 - 1:00

**FRIDAY**

1 <sup>st</sup> Period	7:40 - 9:15	95
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period	9:20 - 10:55	95
5 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
7 <sup>th</sup> Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

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

Lunch A	10:55 - 11:25
Lunch B	11:45 - 12:15
Lunch C	12:30 - 1:00

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Finals will be approaching soon when we return from Thanksgiving week. Here is the preview of the finals schedule we will follow beginning Monday, Dec. 18th. There will be more information coming later about the imbedded Review Times and Seminars.

Final Exams  
Final Exams  
Final Exams

We hope that all of our families work to support their students in making good choices as they prepare to take these very important final exams.



## SHAWNEE MISSION WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Final Exam Schedule December 2023



### Monday, December 18, 2023

1 <sup>st</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	7:40-9:15	95
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	9:20 - 10:55	95
5 <sup>th</sup> Period Review	11:00 - 1:00	90
7 <sup>th</sup> Period Review	1:05 - 2:40	95

5 <sup>th</sup> Block Lunch Schedule	
Lunch A	10:55 – 11:25
Lunch B	11:45 - 12:15
Lunch C	12:30 – 1:00

### Tuesday, December 19, 2023

2 <sup>nd</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	7:40 - 9:15	95
4 <sup>th</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	9:20 – 10:55	95
6 <sup>th</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	11:00 - 12:30	90
Power Hour Lunch	12:30 - 1:15	45
8th Seminar	1:20 - 2:40	80

### Wednesday, December 20, 2023

8 <sup>th</sup> Seminar	7:40-9:15	95
5 <sup>th</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	9:20 - 10:55	95
7 <sup>th</sup> Period <b>FINAL</b>	11:00 - 12:35	95
Lunch	12:40 - 1:10	30

**DONATIONS  
NEEDED**

Can you help??

## DONATIONS NEEDED

### PTSA Finals Snacks and Volunteers Needed on December 19

Each Semester, SMW PTSA provides snacks for the students during finals to keep their energy up and their outlooks positive.

We are in need of granola bars, apples, or oranges. Please sign up using the link below if you are able to help.

The snacks can be brought to the school office any time on Monday, December 18, or on Tuesday, December 19th before school.

Volunteers are also needed on Tuesday, December 19 to help collect snacks, set up snack stations, and distribute snacks during finals. Set-up begins around 8:30 am and we should be done by 9:45.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E094EAF92AA46-46492308-finals>

# yearbook group photos

Tuesday, Dec. 12

stage gym

\*schedule coming soon!

@smwyyearbook

@smwjjournalism

	Time	Group	Sponsor
<b>2nd Hour</b>	7:45	Spanish National Honor Society	Hundertmark
<b>7:40-9:15</b>	7:55	AVP	Powell
	8:05	The Oar	Kaczmarczyk
	8:15	Rep Theatre	Magnus
	8:20	Thespians	Magnus
	8:25	Starving Artists	Lajoie
	8:30	Out of Hand	Lajoie
	8:35	Project Lit	Stowers
	8:40	Post High School	D. Adams
	8:45	Pep Club	Gambatese
	8:55	Black Student Union	Shulman, Tolbert
	9:05	Unified basketball	Klehman
	9:10	Photojournalism	Morgan
<b>Seminar</b>	9:20	Powerlifting	Peroo
<b>9:20-10:55</b>	9:25	Teacher Education	Sinkler
	9:35	Sources of Strength	Holmes
	9:40	NAHS	Jewell, Schraad
	9:45	Tri-M Honor Society	Mulvenon
	9:55	Robotics	Euthon, Sharbutt
	10:00	Debate	Lawler
	10:05	JAG-K	Rolls, Hersey
	10:15	Forensics (Speech Team)	Lawler
	10:25	Dungeons and Dragons	Campbell
	10:30	French Honor Society	Frese
	10:35	FCA	Case
	10:45	Asian Student Union	Guinto, Ngo
	10:50	The Ship	Kaczmarczyk
<b>4th hour</b>	11:30	West Watch	Kaczmarczyk
<b>11:00-1:00</b>	11:40	DECA	Kaczmarczyk
	12:20	Newspaper	Morgan
<b>6th hour</b>	1:05	Quill and Scroll	Morgan
<b>1:05-2:40</b>	1:10	Yearbook	Morgan
	1:15	Cadet teachers/Interpersonal Skills	Mesa, Marlier
	1:25	BPA	Mills
	1:30	GSA	McAlister
	1:40	Young Men of Excellence	Shulman
	1:50	FCCLA	Freberg
	2:00	Wood design	Cline
	2:05	Latinos of Tomorrow	Urenda, Ault
	2:10	College Student Ambassadors	Urenda, Allen
	2:15	Young Democrats	Stanturf
	2:20	Link Crew	Noard
	2:30	NHS	Akers



## Stop the Bop - UPDATE

*PTSA would like to thank everyone who contributed to Stop the Bop to raise funds for classroom grants, we ended up with \$672! We appreciate your support and still welcome any donations to help us reach our goal of \$1000. <https://smwest.memberhub.com/store/items/968794>*



## West Reads

SM West is so very excited to share with our community our West Reads selections.

Each week a different student that might represent one of our clubs/organizations/teams here at West is asked to choose a children's book to read aloud and be recorded. The recording is shared with our elementary feeder schools. This is such a great way to showcase some of the amazing leaders we have in our community and I know the elementary students love seeing the

high schoolers sharing literature with them.

Hope you all are well. This week we are highlighting SMW Band! Grace Maloney, Trip Palmer, and Calista Lossread "The Wonderful Things You Will Be" by Emily Winfield Martin. [Here is the video!](#)

## Student Services News

**-West Parents and Guardians:** [The Student Services Center has a resource page for you!](#) If you have concerns about your students' mental/emotional health, how to help with the college



application process, or questions about scholarship and financial aid, please visit <https://smsd.instructure.com/courses/22341> and scroll down the page to the Parent Guardian Resources button.



**-Scholarships:**

Scholarships are now available to West Seniors! [This](#) list is updated throughout the school year, and we recommend students check it on a regular basis.

-West students also have access to this link through the Student Services Canvas page. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Allen, the College Adviser, at [AubreighAllen@smsd.org](mailto:AubreighAllen@smsd.org)

**-COLLEGE VISITS:** Sign up in Student Services w/Ms. Allen, College Adviser

We have several college admissions representatives who come to our high school in person to share information about their college. This [link](#) will lead you to a spreadsheet where new schools are signing up daily.

-Presidential Service Awards: Students have until the end of March to record their volunteer time. Please have your student come to student services if they need a log or information about the service categories. Call Mrs. Holmes with questions (993-7832)

***This is not a required activity.***

**Pro X Summer Internship**

Get paid \$1250 and earn 1 hour of academic credit!

ProX is a paid summer internship or project supervised by a professional mentor. Students commit to 25 hours of professional experiences and learning each week. A ProX coach provides support to every student and employer through the application, and placement process and during the learning and work experience. The program is open to current 9th-12th graders.

You can find the application [here](#).

Some key dates:

December 31st- Application Deadline

January 3rd- Mandatory Workshops Begin

March 2nd- Hiring Fair

June 3rd- ProX Program Start Date

**July 11th-** ProX Program End Date

# PRO X

**SIGN UP FOR A SUMMER INTERNSHIP**  
DEADLINE DECEMBER 31, 2023



		
<b>EARN CASH &amp; CREDIT</b>	<b>SUMMER EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>CAREER OPTIONS</b>
Get paid \$1250 and 1 hour of academic credit for your hard work.	June 3 - July 11 2024	Explore your passions through real work experiences.

# PRO X

**INSCRÍBETE PARA UN INTERNADO DE VERANO**  
FIN DE PLAZO: 31 DE DICIEMBRE 2023



		
<b>GANAR DINERO y CRÉDITO</b>	<b>EXPERIENCIA DE VERANO</b>	<b>OPCIONES DE CARRERA</b>
Gana \$1250 y 1 hora de crédito académico por tu esfuerzo.	3 Junio - 11 Julio 2024	Descubre tus pasiones a través de experiencia de trabajo actual.

Join the Strategic Planning Process in January 2024

Shawnee Mission School District will begin updating its Strategic Plan in early 2024 and the entire community is invited to engage in the process. This plan will serve and guide Shawnee Mission for 2024-2029.

[Click here to see a video.](#)



The success of this plan depends on broad community input, as well as individuals willing to serve on committees and action teams. Here are ways community members, family members, educators, staff, and students can prepare to engage in the process:

- Consider applying for the Steering Committee or an Action Team. Applications to serve on the Steering Committee will be open on January 4, 2024 and remain open through January 12, 2024. Action Teams will be established in early March 2024. The Steering Committee represents school and district communities, oversees the strategic plan work, and develops the core elements of the Plan. Action Teams will develop action plans to support district strategies and objectives.
- Provide your input in a ThoughtExchange. ThoughtExchange provides you with a chance to respond to an open-ended question, consider and assign stars to ideas shared by others, and learn what is important to those contributing input. The ThoughtExchange opportunity will be provided in January.
- Watch for Strategic Plan information and updates on [www.smsd.org](http://www.smsd.org).

Shawnee Mission's Strategic Plan work reflects an ongoing commitment by our community to support student success. The plan serves as a road map, giving clarity to our destination and the pathway to get there.

"I thank everyone for thinking about how they might contribute to our next Strategic Plan update, and for their ongoing commitment to our schools," Superintendent Dr. Michelle Hubbard expressed.

[Click here for more information on the Strategic Plan update process.](#)

Contribuir a la Actualización del Plan Estratégico de SMSD en Enero de 2024 Estimadas Familias del Distrito Escolar de Shawnee Mission

El Distrito Escolar de Shawnee Mission comenzará a actualizar su Plan Estratégico a principios de 2024 y se invita a toda la comunidad a participar en el proceso. Los aportes de los familiares de los estudiantes de Shawnee Mission jugaron un papel muy importante cuando se desarrolló el primer Plan Estratégico del distrito. Esperamos que participe en el proceso cuando comience el próximo mes. Este plan servirá a Shawnee Mission para 2024-2029 y juega un papel importante en el apoyo al éxito de los estudiantes de Shawnee Mission.

[Haga clic aquí para ver un video.](#)

Estas son algunas formas en las que se le invita a participar en el proceso:

- Considere la posibilidad de postularse para el Comité Directivo o un Equipo de Acción. Las solicitudes para formar parte del Comité Directivo estarán abiertas el 4 de Enero de 2024 y permanecerán abiertas hasta el 12 de Enero de 2024. Los Equipos de Acción se establecerán a principios de Marzo de 2024. El Comité Directivo representa escuelas y las comunidades del distrito, supervisa el trabajo del plan estratégico y desarrolla los elementos centrales del Plan. Los Equipos de Acción desarrollarán planes de acción para apoyar las estrategias y objetivos del distrito.

- Proporcione su opinión en ThoughtExchange. ThoughtExchange le brinda la oportunidad de responder a una pregunta abierta, considerar y asignar estrellas a las ideas compartidas por otros y aprender lo que es importante para aquellos que contribuyen con aportes. La oportunidad de ThoughtExchange se brindará en Enero.

- Esté atento a la información y actualizaciones del Plan Estratégico sobre [www.smsd.org](http://www.smsd.org).

El trabajo del Plan Estratégico de Shawnee Mission refleja un compromiso continuo de nuestra comunidad para apoyar el éxito de los estudiantes. El plan sirve como un mapa de ruta, dando claridad a nuestro destino y el camino para llegar allí.

[Haga clic aquí para obtener más información sobre el proceso de actualización del Plan Estratégico.](#)

## **SM West Juniors Qualify for National Debate Tournament**

SM West is so very proud of two of our outstanding juniors, Grayson and Lachlan, who recently qualified for the NSDA National Debate Tournament in June 2024. This is an outstanding accomplishment and we know that these students and coaches, Rose Lawler and Alex McCarthy are excited for this accomplishment and honor. Sko' VIKES!!!!





**Repeat Information**



## All About the FAFSA

### Did you know?

Some schools won't consider you for merit scholarships until you've submitted a FAFSA, so complete one even if you think you won't qualify



### What is the FAFSA?

To apply for federal student aid, such as federal grants, work-study, and loans, you need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Completing and submitting the FAFSA is free and it gives you access to the largest source of financial aid to pay for college or career school. Many states and colleges use your FAFSA information to determine your eligibility for state and school aid, and some private financial aid providers may use your FAFSA information to determine whether you qualify for their aid.

### Create your FSA ID

You and your parents will need to create a username and password; this will be your login information.

[studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)

### Prepare for the FAFSA



Social Security Number



Federal Tax Info or Tax Return



Alien Registration Number



Cash, Savings, and Checking Account Balances



Records of untaxed income

### Don't have all your info yet?

That's okay; you can start the FAFSA application, save it, and come back later to finish it.

### Processing the FAFSA

You'll receive an email within a few days, letting you know your FAFSA was processed.

After you submit your FAFSA, your information will be sent to the Colleges you listed on the form.

You'll receive an aid offer from each college stating the amount of aid you could receive at the school

### File the FAFSA Now

After you create your FSA ID application



[studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)

**OPENS  
DECEMBER  
2023**

**Senior Sizzle Fundraiser - Click image below  
for ordering link or use QR code**



### **Viking View for Incoming 9th Graders**

Save the Date: Viking View is Thursday, January 11th from 6pm-8pm! We encourage all incoming 9th grade families to join us to learn about west and all the exciting academic/c0-curricular activities we have to offer. Hope to see you there!.





@SMWestOffice

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

Incoming 9th Grade Orientation Night

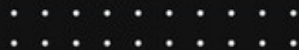
# Viking View

*Viking Class of 2028!*

*Welcome to Shawnee Mission West!*



8800 W 85th St,  
Overland Park, KS 66212  
Wednesday, January 11, 2023  
6pm-8pm



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

Noche de orientación de los estudiantes de 9°

# Viking View

*Promoción de 2028!*

*Bienvenidos a Shawnee Mission West!*



8800 W 85th St,  
Overland Park, KS 66212  
miércoles, el 11 de enero 2024  
6pm-8pm

## For Sale

Woods student will be making sports related plaques for \$10.00 a piece selling in the shop. Plaques will be made from scrap, size and color will vary. If there is a specific logo you would like, please email Mike Cline



## Help Sponsor 2024 Prom

If you are the owner of a local business or have a connection with a business owner, please take time to view the document below about the opportunity to help sponsor this year's Prom.

### SMW Prom Sponsorship Letter.pdf

[Download](#)

187.3 KB

## PTSA Citizenship Writing Contest

The 2023 Kansas PTA Citizenship Writing contest is underway!

This year's theme is: "I will lift others up by...."

Poetry and Essay are the two categories.

Poetry entries must be 50-500 words, Essay entries must be 200-1000 words.

Deadline for entries is December 15, 2023

For complete rules and the entry form, see attachments below.

Any questions? Email Kristin Barnes at [kristinbarnes524@gmail.com](mailto:kristinbarnes524@gmail.com)



## Student Run Businesses Showcased at Oak Park Mall

Sending a heads up that the display at Oak Park Mall has been updated - See image below. More details about the two featured entrepreneurs, both from SMW, are posted at [www.ShopSMSD.org](http://www.ShopSMSD.org). Help support our student businesses by visiting their online shops.

### 23-24\_KS-PTA-Citizenship Rules[48].pdf

[Download](#)

281.9 KB



## Citizenship Entry Form 2023[4].pdf

[Download](#)

604.7 KB







Bring your swimsuit for our after-hours pool party! Must be 14+ years old.

# LIFEGUARD RECRUITMENT POOL PARTY

Saturday, Jan. 6  
6 to 8 p.m.  
Lenexa Rec Center

Meet our staff, eat food, play  
games, win prizes and learn about  
our year-round job opportunities.



REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED

RSVP at [Lenexa.com/PoolParty](http://Lenexa.com/PoolParty)

## SM West Blankets - Last call for orders and there is a LIMITED Supply

*Hey Vikings! We're getting these amazing school blankets! Get yours before they're gone and support the West Pride Marching Band! They are SO soft, and stay that way for years!*



Use the link below to order yours.

<https://sites.google.com/spectatorblankets.com/shawnee-mission-west-vikings/home>  
#highschoolblankets, #tagyourblanket, @highschoolblanket

# CHEER LOUDER!

Together Strong

HighSchoolBlankets.com  
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## Shawnee Mission West Vikings NubaySoft™ Blankets



### Culture Fest

COMING SOON.

SM West is so very proud of our students that are working to plan and implement a Culture Fest here at West on Jan. 16th, 2024. Read more on the flier below and use the QR code to sign up.

Thank you.







"QR CODE ON THE BACK OF THIS FLYER"

## SMW CULTURE FEST *JOIN US!*

Brought to you by, the Black Student Union, Latinos of Tomorrow, Asian Student Union, and many more! Featuring many small businesses, restaurants, and performers from within our community. Join us to celebrate the culture within Shawnee Mission West!

 16 JANUARURY 2024

 OPEN AT 10:00 AM

 8800 W 85TH ST. OVERLAND PARK, KS

### SPONSOR CONTACT

 Matthew Shulman  
(913) 993-8033

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

### STUDENT CONTACTS

Community Outreach Director  
(913) 596-0924  
BSU Co-Presidents  
(913) 609-7649 (913) 820-5333  
ASU President  
(913) 272-9461





## Viking Passport

Staff and Students are competing to complete their Viking Passport cards. Students and staff that attend/participate in these events use their phone to scan a QR code. Prizes are awarded to winners in the seminar and individual competitions. We hope that All of our students feel excited to support our West teams, activities and clubs.



## District Performing Arts Newsletter

Below is the link to the SMSD Performing Arts newsletter. We are so glad to celebrate our teachers and students.

[Novemeber 2023 Performing Arts Newsletter](#)



## Inclement Weather Procedures

Please view the images below for an explanation of the Inclement Weather Procedures for 2023-2024.

Be sure to watch local newscasts/broadcasts for announcements of any closings that might occur during our winter months.

As the winter months approach, it is especially important for our community members to be aware of inclement weather procedures and how to receive an alert if plans for building closures are announced.

#### Procedures

If conditions make it necessary for SMSD to close schools, the district will implement one of three plans: A, B, or C.

#### Inclement Weather Announcements

If plan A, B, or C is announced, this information will be shared broadly.

Staff and families can receive direct emails, texts, and voice messages.

Families can sign up to receive alerts in the manner that works best for them.

[Click here for details on how to sign up for alerts.](#)

#### Additional Resources:

[The main page of the district website](#)

[Facebook](#)

[Twitter](#)

[Instagram](#)

Local radio and television stations

24-hour information line at (913) 993-7380

No announcement will be made when schools are to remain open.

#### Procedimientos de Inclemencias Meteorológicas 2023-2024

A medida que se acercan los meses de invierno, es especialmente importante que los miembros de nuestra comunidad estén al tanto de los procedimientos de inclemencias del tiempo y cómo pueden ser alertados si se anuncian planes para el cierre de edificios.

#### Procedimientos

Si las condiciones hacen necesario que SMSD cierre las escuelas, el distrito implementará uno de tres planes: A, B o C.

#### Anuncios de inclemencias del tiempo

Si se anuncia el plan A, B o C, esta información se compartirá ampliamente.

El personal y las familias pueden recibir correos electrónicos directos, mensajes de texto y mensajes de voz.

Las familias pueden inscribirse para recibir alertas de la manera que mejor les convenga.

[Haga clic aquí para obtener detalles sobre cómo registrarse para recibir alertas.](#)

#### Recursos adicionales:

[La página principal del sitio web del distrito](#)

[Facebook \(en inglés\)](#)

[Twitter](#)

[Instagram \(en inglés\)](#)

Estaciones de radio y televisión locales

Línea de información las 24 horas al (913) 993-7380

No se hará ningún anuncio cuándo las escuelas permanezcan abiertas.



## SHAWNEE MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES 2023-24



<b>PLAN A</b>	<b>No School.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All District facilities are CLOSED including YMCA and JCPRD Daycare.</li> <li>No remote learning/teaching</li> </ul>	<b>What does this mean for parent(s)/student(s)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will not report to school</li> </ul> <p>(Decisions on activities will be made later in the day)</p>	<b>What does this mean for staff?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No staff reports to work</li> <li>No CAA staff reports to work</li> <li>No building secretaries report to work</li> <li>No O&amp;M or custodial staff reports to work</li> <li>*(Could be contacted to report later in the day)</li> <li>Building Principals work remotely</li> <li>Associate Principals work remotely</li> <li>Cabinet works remotely</li> </ul>
<b>PLAN B</b>	<b>No School.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All District Schools and facilities are CLOSED</li> <li>YMCA and JCPRD daycare are in session at the following locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benninghoven</li> <li>Comanche</li> <li>Highlands</li> <li>Rosehill</li> <li>Trailwood</li> </ul> </li> <li>No remote learning/teaching</li> </ul>	<b>What does this mean for parent(s)/student(s)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will not report to school</li> </ul> <p>(Decisions on activities will be made later in the day)</p>	<b>What does this mean for staff?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All O&amp;M/custodial staff report</li> <li>No certified staff reports to work</li> <li>No classified staff reports to work</li> <li>CAA employees work remotely</li> <li>Building Principals work remotely</li> <li>Associate Principals work remotely</li> <li>Building Secretaries work remotely (per Admin request)</li> <li>Cabinet works remotely</li> </ul>
<b>PLAN C</b>	<b>Remote Learning Day</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remote teaching and learning go into effect.</li> <li>Meal services will be provided at the following site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shawnee Mission Early Childhood Center/ Broadmoor</li> </ul> </li> <li>YMCA and JCPRD daycare are in session at the following locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benninghoven</li> <li>Comanche</li> <li>Highlands</li> <li>Rosehill</li> <li>Trailwood</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>What does this mean for parent(s)/student(s)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students will learn remotely from home</li> </ul> <p>(Decisions on activities will be made later in the day)</p>	<b>What does this mean for staff?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff may work remotely or from their building</li> <li>Staff log into classrooms at normal time virtually</li> <li>All O&amp;M/custodial staff reports to work</li> <li>Building Principals report to work</li> <li>Associate Principals report to work</li> <li>Building Secretaries work remotely (per Admin request)</li> <li>CAA employees report to work</li> </ul>

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## DISTRITO ESCOLAR DE SHAWNEE MISSION PROCEDIMIENTOS CUANDO HAY MAL TIEMPO-CLIMA 2023-24



<b>PLAN A</b>	<b>Escuela Cerrada.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Todos los edificios estan CERRADOS incluido YMCA y JCPRD Daycare.</li> <li>No hay aprendizaje/ enseñanza virtual-remoto</li> </ul>	<b>Que significa esto para padre(s) estudiante(s)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Estudiantes no se presentaran a la escuela</li> </ul> <p>(Decisiones sobre actividades se tomarán mas tarde en el transcurso del día)</p>	<b>Que significa para el personal escolar?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>El personal no se reporta al trabajo</li> <li>CAA no se reporta al trabajo</li> <li>Secretarias no se reportan al trabajo</li> <li>O&amp;M o custodial no se reportan al trabajo (Podrian ser llamados a reportarse mas tarde en el día)</li> <li>Directores de edificio trabajan remoto</li> <li>Directores asociados trabajan remoto</li> <li>Gabinete trabaja remoto</li> </ul>
<b>PLAN B</b>	<b>Escuela Cerrada.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Todos los edificios estan CERRADOS</li> <li>YMCA y JCPRD daycare estan en sesión en las siguientes ubicaciones: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benninghoven</li> <li>Comanche</li> <li>Highlands</li> <li>Rosehill</li> <li>Trailwood</li> </ul> </li> <li>No hay aprendizaje/ enseñanza remoto-virtual</li> </ul>	<b>Que significa esto para padre(s) estudiante(s)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Estudiantes no se reportan a la escuela</li> </ul> <p>(Decisiones sobre actividades se tomarán mas tarde en el transcurso del día)</p>	<b>Que significa para el personal escolar?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Todos en O&amp;M/custodial se reportan</li> <li>Personal certificado no se reporta</li> <li>Personal clasificado no se reporta</li> <li>Empleados de CAA trabajan remoto</li> <li>Directores trabajan remoto</li> <li>Directores asociados trabajan remoto</li> <li>Secretarias trabajan remoto (por solicitud de la administración)</li> <li>Gabinete trabaja remoto</li> </ul>
<b>PLAN C</b>	<b>Día de Aprendizaje Remoto</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entran en efecto las enseñanza y aprendizaje remoto</li> <li>Servicios de comida serán proporcionados en las siguientes ubicaciones: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shawnee Mission Early Childhood Center/ Broadmoor</li> </ul> </li> <li>YMCA y JCPRD daycare están en sesión en la siguientes ubicaciones: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benninghoven</li> <li>Comanche</li> <li>Highlands</li> <li>Rosehill</li> <li>Trailwood</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Que significa esto para padre(s) estudiante(s)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Todos los estudiantes aprenderán remoto de casa</li> </ul> <p>(Decisiones sobre actividades se tomarán mas tarde en el transcurso del día)</p>	<b>Que significa para el personal escolar?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>El personal puede trabajar de forma remota o desde su edificio</li> <li>El personal inicia sesión en el salon de clases en horario normal virtualmente</li> <li>Todos en O&amp;M/custodial se reportan al trabajo</li> <li>Directores se reportan al trabajo</li> <li>Directores asociados se reportan al trabajo</li> <li>Secretarias trabajan remoto (por solicitud de la administración)</li> <li>Empleados de CAA se reportan al trabajo</li> </ul>


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## Food Services Reminder

Please continue to watch your students account balance used for school lunches. Use the information below for directions on how to add \$ to your account.






## 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.



**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.

# KC BIZFEST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Johnson County Community College

Feb 28-Mar 3, 2024



KC BizFest is a four-day intensive training event that focuses on helping students (a) turn hobbies and skills into profit-making ventures, (b) establish entrepreneurial and leadership goals, (c) create plans for business and life, and (d) become effective leaders and team players.

**APPLY  
HERE**



For questions: Please contact  
Dr. Melisa Jimenez or Elva Medina

 [bizfestkc@gmail.com](mailto:bizfestkc@gmail.com)

[Application Link](#)

Due II-27-23



**HISPANIC**  
CHAMBER of COMMERCE  
of GREATER KANSAS CITY



**HISPANIC**  
COLLABORATIVE



## District All-Star Award

### 2023-24 - Nominate an All Star for District Recognition

The Shawnee Mission School District is now seeking nominations for the District's All Star Recognized. Take a moment to think about either a certified teacher or a classified staff member that shines at SM West. Use the form below if you would like to

nominate an SM WEST staff member.

<https://forms.gle/SbCtgeAgYFJhApSjZ>

Thank you.



English: 913-303-1063 Spanish: 913-210-4975 [clientservices@jccb.org](mailto:clientservices@jccb.org)



**Do you live in Johnson County and need a little extra help with food and gifts this December?**

Every December the Johnson County Christmas Bureau hosts a Holiday Shop to help families with groceries, personal care items, gifts and toys.

If you receive help from the DCF or other agencies, you may qualify.

**We invite you to apply for an appointment to shop:**

Please visit [jccb.org](http://jccb.org) or scan the QR code.

- Fill out the online application
- List all members of your household
- Appointments fill up quickly - please apply soon



Appointments are sent by email. Please check your email and spam folder frequently. We ask for a voluntary donation (from \$3 - \$10 per size of household). This donation is not required.

Have Questions? Email us at [clientservices@jccb.org](mailto:clientservices@jccb.org)

JCCB provides services to low-income Johnson County neighbors without regard to religion, gender identity, race or ethnicity.



Ingles: 913-303-1063 Español: 913-210-4975 [clientservices@jccb.org](mailto:clientservices@jccb.org)



**Usted vive en el Condado de Johnson, en Kansas?  
Usted necesita ayuda con comestibles, regalos y juguetes para su hogar?  
Usted recibe ayuda de DCF o alguna otra agencia?**

Si usted si recibe ayuda, usted esta invitado a aplicar para nuestra tienda Navideña "Christmas Bureau Holiday Shop"  
Donde usted puede elegir comestibles, cosas de uso personal, regalos, libros, abrigos, juguetes y mas articulos para su hogar.

Vaya a nuestra pagina web: [jccb.org](http://jccb.org).  
O use el codigo QR en su telefono.

- Llène la aplicacion en linea
- Registre todos los miembros de su hogar
- Llène la aplicacion en su totalidad
- Mande la aplicacion lo antes posible, ya de que las citas se agotan rapidamente



Las citas son enviadas por correo electronico, porfavor ver su correo electronico recientemente, verifique su "Spam"

Se le pedira una pequeña donacion, pero no es requerida.

Preguntas? Envienos un correo a [clientservices@jccb.org](mailto:clientservices@jccb.org)



## Father's Club

Take a moment to read the flier below. West is so excited to continue to strengthen our community. Scan the QR code to find out more.



**FATHER'S CLUB**

**The Father's Club is a dad-led, grass roots effort promoting intentionality around dads' relationships and time spent with their families, with each other and within the community.**

**INTERESTED?**



**SCAN ME!**





### ATTENTION SENIORS

Your May 21st Graduation Day seems far away, but the time will go by quickly. Here is a message that was sent to all senior families.

Seniors and Families of Seniors

Graduation information was passed out to seniors on Oct. 3rd.

Please know that the only item that students must order is the cap/gown/tassel/stole unit. You DO NOT need to purchase the Viking Package that is listed for the \$266 or any of the other packages. The only mandatory item is the cap/gown/tassel/stole unit which is listed for \$30 and will have tax/shipping added at checkout.

If you go to the Josten's website and follow along the steps that are listed in the attachment you can pick just the cap/gown unit. [SEE ATTACHMENT](#)

Please order before Oct. 18, 2023.

All cap/gown units will be delivered to SM West in May and will be distributed to students at the graduation rehearsal the week before graduation.

Each senior also needs to complete this google form so that our Readers of the Roll at graduation know what name to say and how to pronounce the name as students cross the stage. See link below. Please have students complete this form.

<https://forms.gle/Byi29bTjf1safyKeA>

**Thank you**

Seniors y Familias de Seniors

La información de Graduación se distribuyó a los Estudiantes Seniors el 3 de Octubre.

Tenga en cuenta que el único artículo que los Estudiantes deben ordenar es el birrete / toga / borla / estola. NO necesita comprar el paquete Viking que esta incluido por \$ 266 o cualquiera de los otros paquetes eso es opcional. El único artículo obligatorio es el birrete/ toga / borla / estola que se incluye por \$ 30 y se agregarán impuestos / y gastos de envío al finalizar la compra.

Si va al sitio Website de Josten y sigue los pasos que se incluyen en el archivo adjunto, puede elegir sólo la unidad de toga / birrete. **VER ANEXO**

Haga su pedido antes del 18 de octubre del 2023.

Todas las unidades de toga y birrete se entregarán a SM West en Mayo y se distribuirán a los Estudiantes en el ensayo de Graduación una semana antes de la Graduación.

Cada Estudiante Senior también necesita completar este formulario de Google para que nuestros Lectores de la lista en la Graduación sepan qué nombre decir y cómo pronunciar el nombre cuando los Estudiantes pasen al escenario. Vea el enlace a continuación. Por favor, pida a los Estudiantes que completen este formulario.

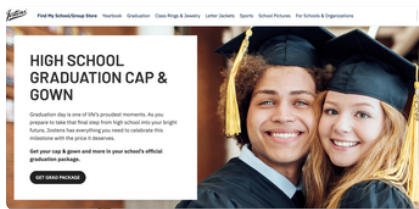
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Gracias

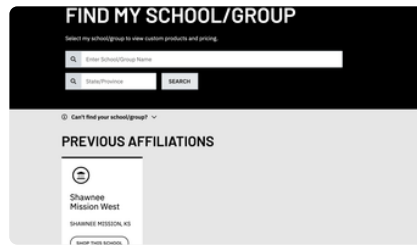
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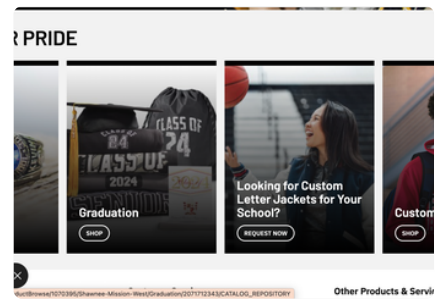
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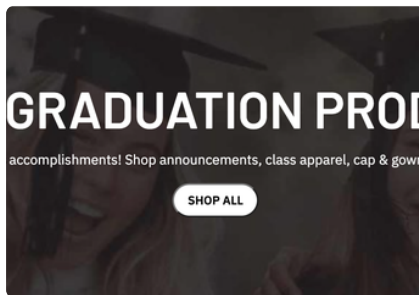
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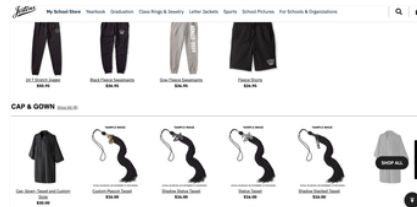
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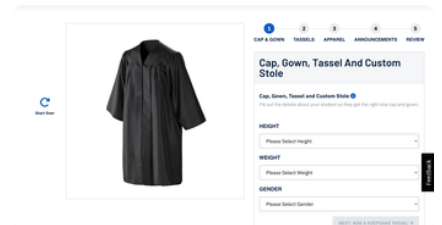
Choose Products for Grad.



Shop All



Find Cap/Gown Unit



Enter size Info and Order

## SAIL Tutoring Each Wednesday and Thursday after school

Starting Wednesday, September 27th, **SAIL Tutoring Program.**

**Who:** Open to all students.

**What:** SAIL Tutoring is an after school tutoring program for all students.

**When:** Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:50-4:20pm (see Calendar below)

**Where:** The Cafeteria

**Why:** Providing space, time and adult support to catch up on work and support learning.

**Additional Information:** A meal is provided and there is a late bus after tutoring that will run along 87th Street only. Students must have a pass to get on the bus.





# SAIL TUTORING

## About SAIL Tutoring

SAIL Tutoring is an after school tutoring program for all students.

## Days of the Week

Tutoring will take place on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:50-4:20pm. It starts in the cafeteria.

## Content Area Assistance

On specific days, there will be content assistance in specific areas. Although, students can work on any content on any day.

### Wednesdays

ELA  
Social Studies  
Electives

### Thursdays

Math  
Science  
Electives



## Teacher Encouraged

Teachers encourage students who are struggling to attend tutoring by giving students a pass and putting the carbon copy in the mailroom.

## Additional Information

Bus transportation and a snack will be provided.

SHAWNEE MISSION WEST

# Sail Tutoring

SAIL TUTORING IS AN AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM FOR ALL STUDENTS.

### WEDNESDAY

ELA  
Social Studies  
Electives

### THURSDAY

Math  
Science  
Electives

Tutoring will take place on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:50-4:20pm. It starts in the Cafeteria. Bus transportation and a snack will be provided.

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

SHAWNEE MISSION WEST

# Tutoria de SAIL

TUTORIA SAIL ES UNA PROGRAMA  
DESPUES DE CLASES PARA TODOS  
LOS ESTUDIANTES.

## MIERCOLES

Literatura  
Estudios Sociales  
Electivas

## JUEVES

Matematica  
Ciencia  
Electivas

Las sesiones de tutorías se llevan a cabo los miércoles y  
jueves de 2:50 a 4:20 p. m. Comienza en la cafetería.  
]Se proporcionará transporte en bus y un refrigerio.

ABIERTO A TODOS LOS ESTUDIANTES

## SAIL TUTORING DATES

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# FECHAS DE TUTORIA SAIL

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## JAG-K

Take a look at our JAG-K newsletter!!!!



<https://sway.office.com/rJJJ3PlpJf5ccrDA?ref=email>





## SMAC PTA CLOTHING EXCHANGE

August - December 2023



The Shawnee Mission Area Council PTA Clothing Exchange offers gently used clothing and shoes from infant to adult sizes. The Exchange is a free service open to those who live within the SMSD boundaries. All are welcome. If school offices are closed, the Clothing Exchange is closed. [www.smsd.org](http://www.smsd.org)

### SCHEDULE

4:30pm-6:30pm	10:00am-12:00pm
	FRI, SEPT 8
THURS, SEPT 14	
	FRI, SEPT 22
THURS, SEPT 28	
	FRI, OCT 6
CLOSED	
	FRI, OCT 20
THURS, OCT 26	
	FRI, NOV 3
THURS, NOV 9	
	FRI, NOV 17
CLOSED	
	FRI, DEC 1
THURS, DEC 7	
	FRI, DEC 15

### UNDERWEAR & SOCKS PROGRAM

- Each child enrolled in the Shawnee Mission School District can receive 5 new pairs underwear and socks each semester.
- **Proof of enrollment is required:** Skyward account on phone, letter from the school, student ID card.

### HOW TO DONATE & VOLUNTEER

Go to [www.smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange](http://www.smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange) for donation options and volunteer sign-up links.

Follow us on Facebook here:



### LOCATION & CONTACT

SMSD Early Childhood Education Center  
6701 West 83<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Overland Park, KS 66204  
Enter at back of the building at Door #7  
Web: [smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange](http://smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange)  
Email: [smacce@smac-pta.org](mailto:smacce@smac-pta.org)

Website Link:



## SMAC PTA CLOTHING EXCHANGE

Agosto - Diciembre 2023



El intercambio de ropa de la PTA del Consejo del Área de la Misión de Shawnee ofrece ropa y zapatos usados con cuidado, desde tallas para bebés hasta adultos. Exchange es un servicio gratuito abierto a quienes viven dentro de los límites de SMSD. Todos son bienvenidos. Si el edificio de la escuela está cerrado, el intercambio de ropa está cerrado. [www.smsd.org](http://www.smsd.org)

### Calendario

4:30pm-6:30pm	10:00am-12:00pm
	Viernes 8 de septiembre
Jueves 14 septiembre	
	Viernes 22 de septiembre
Jueves 28 septiembre	
	Viernes 6 de octubre
CERRADO	
	Viernes 20 de octubre
Jueves 26 de octubre	
	Viernes 3 de noviembre
Jueves 9 de noviembre	
	Viernes 17 de noviembre
CERRADO	
	Viernes 1 de diciembre
Jueves 7 de diciembre	
	Viernes 15 de diciembre

### Nuevo Ropa Interior y Calcetines

Cada niño inscrito en el SMSD puede recibir 5 nuevos pares de ropa interior y calcetines cada semestre.  
**Se requiere comprobante de inscripción:** Cuenta Skyward en el teléfono o Carta de la escuela.

### Como donar y ser voluntario

Ir [www.smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange](http://www.smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange) para conocer las opciones de donación y registrarse como voluntario.

Enlace de Facebook:



### Ubicación y Contacto:

SMSD Early Childhood Education Center  
6701 West 83<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Overland Park, KS 66204  
La entrada esta en la parte trasera del edificio en la Puerta #7  
Web: [smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange](http://smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange)  
Email: [smacce@smac-pta.org](mailto:smacce@smac-pta.org)

Enlace al sitio web:





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**@theSMSD**

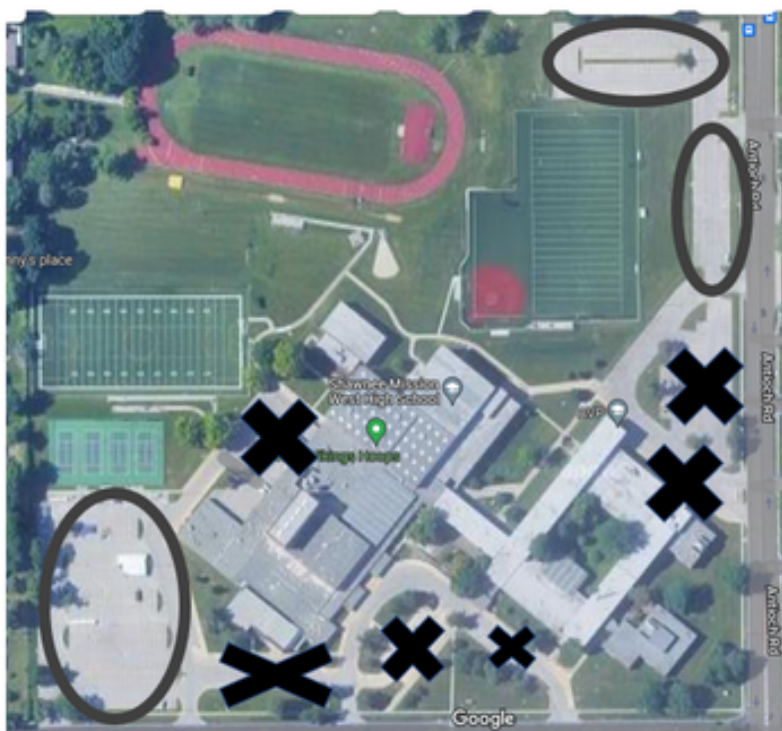
**Instagram**  
**SMSDRecruit**  
**theSMSD**

Watch on YouTube

## 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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### From our SM West Nurse

Hello,

I wanted to share a "refresher" on Covid Guidelines for everyone as we head into this fall. These are also guidelines that apply to Influenza A & B.

- Day 0: the 1st day of symptoms or test positive day
- Counting from Day 0—a person is then out of school for 5 days.
- Day 6—may return to school if no ongoing symptoms and no fever in the previous 24 hours.
- Day 6-10—highly recommended and encouraged to mask.
- Students do not need to stay home for exposure to Covid—only if

they have symptoms or test positive.

For more information you can refer to the following link:

<https://www.smsd.org/about/departments/health-services/coronavirus-or-covid-19-information>

- Please reach out with any questions or concerns—sometimes email is the best:  
[kimberlytennissen@smsd.org](mailto:kimberlytennissen@smsd.org) or [aciamorley@smsd.org](mailto:aciamorley@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)



### Our Nurse's office needs your help

Please use the link below to sign up to donate items for our nurse's pantry.

Thank you so very much for your help.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AADA92BA13-smwnurses>

Parents, don't forget to join the Shawnee Mission West Booster Club and purchase your Season Passes. Use your Season Pass to get into all Shawnee Mission West regular season home football, soccer, basketball and volleyball games while supporting all West athletes, cheer and dance teams.

Use this Link for the Go. Fan page: <https://gofan.co/event/1004910?schoolId=KS18136>









## Spotlighters

If your student is involved in choir or is interested in being a part of our Thespian troupe, then you will be interested in joining Spotlighters. We have amazing talent here at West, and this organization of parents and family members does all things to support their performances and all their efforts.



It's time to renew your Spotlighters membership for 2023-2024. We're looking forward to another great year of performing arts at Shawnee Mission West!

<https://smwspotlighters.com/join-spotlighters/>



# SMW



# SPOTLIGHTERS

## MEMBERSHIP LEVELS:

### Member

**\$10 per person**

- Name listed in every choir & theatre program during the year, by membership level.

### Patron of the Arts

**\$35 per family**

- Name listed in every choir & theatre program during the year, by membership level.
- One complimentary ticket to attend each of the 3 main stage productions.

### Angel of the Arts

**\$60 per family**

- Name listed in every choir & theatre program during the year, by membership level.
- Two complimentary tickets to attend each of the 3 main stage productions.
- Early entrance to Spotlight Spectacular.

*Your membership dollars are used to support both the choir and theatre programs, as well as for the annual scholarships presented to seniors in the spring.*

## 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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### 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.

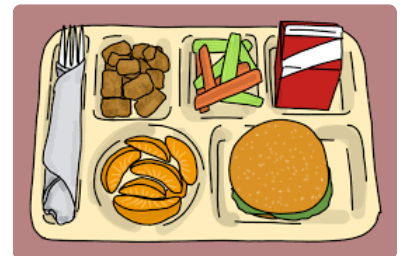
6. Needed programs can be found on Manager. You will not be able to download programs from the App Store for use on these devices.
7. Downloading VPNs (Virtual Private Networks) or other programs that mask your device on the network are a violation of the Responsible Use Policy you have agreed to. Use 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.

## 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)

Esta institución es un proveedor de igualdad de oportunidades.



## 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.

## JOIN OUR SMSD TEAM! FOOD SERVICE POSITIONS --- NOW OPEN!



- > SCHOOL HOURS (no evenings or weekends and summers off)
- > PAID HOLIDAYS
- > HEALTH INSURANCE
- > RETIREMENT PLAN
- > UNIFORM ALLOWANCE
- > PAID SICK LEAVE



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Help our students achieve unlimited possibilities!



### 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.



- 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.

## 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 2023-2024 academic year:**

Presidents - Erin VanDyke and Jean Baucom

Past President - Sean Campion

Membership - Michelle Morales

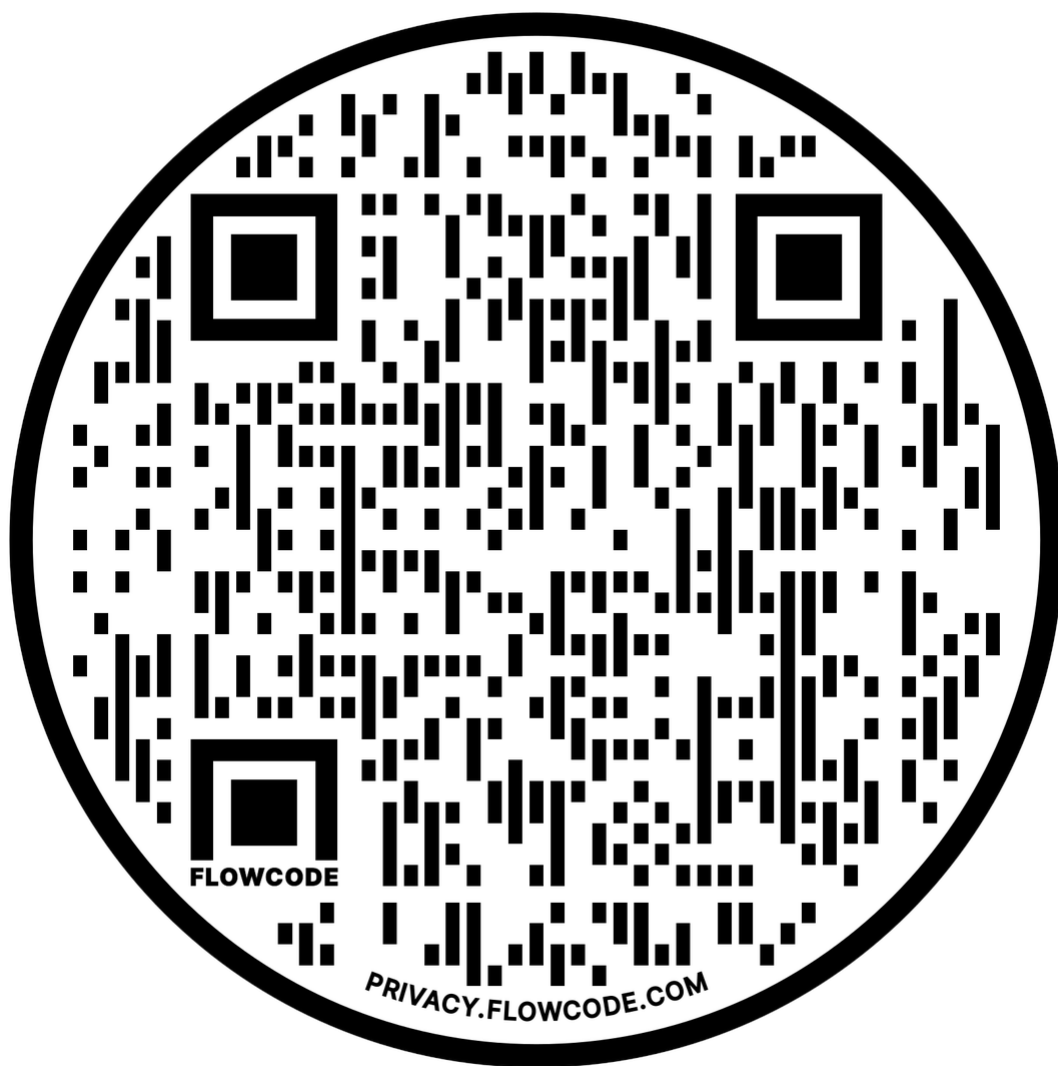
Secretary - Christina Middleton

Programs - Gwyn Dill

Treasurer - Darci Robinson



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



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**Jennifer Silverstein**

Jennifer is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters