

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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SM West Calendar

Please use this link for our SM West Calendar.

[CALENDAR LINK](#)





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



5th Block Lunch

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

TUESDAY

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

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

4th Block Lunch

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

WEDNESDAY

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

5th 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 nd Period	8:40-10:15	95
8 th Seminar	10:20-10:55	35
4 th Period	11:00 - 1:00	90
6 th Period	1:05 - 2:40	95

4th Block Lunch

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

FRIDAY

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

5th Block Lunch

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

(With Late Start Schedule)

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SENIORS

2024

A black graduation cap (mortarboard) with a gold tassel hanging from the right side. The cap is positioned to the right of the year "2024".

Senior Honors and Awards Ceremony

SM West Student Services has organized an Awards Celebration for all seniors and then some underclassmen that have earned certain awards this year. (Students were advised to look at the list posted outside of the Student Service office and reach out to them if they believe they had earned an award).

The ceremony will be held on Tuesday, April 30th and will begin at 9:45am.

VERY IMPORTANT: ALL STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO PARK IN THE ANTIOCH LOT ON TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH. (The lot on 85th street will be closed and reserved for our parent and family guests to

use when they arrive to the school).

The Advanced Video Production students will be live streaming this event:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iCQelAxPgFA>

SENIORS

PTSA and the Senior Sizzle Committee are hard at work to plan for the senior sizzle and to recognize some outstanding seniors.

-Below you will find a flier for Senior Sizzle as well as an announcement for a fundraiser for this event.

-Each year PTSA recognizes and awards senior scholarships to students. These students showed support for PTSA during their high school career and applied for these scholarships.

Congratulations and thank you to both our PTSA and these outstanding students.



Parents - Senior Sizzle needs volunteers!

Please use this link to view the needs and consider volunteering your time.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044EABA92EAA8-48810948-smwsenior>

A flier for the Senior Sizzle event for the Class of 2024. The background is light blue with yellow and blue wavy borders on the left and right. At the top center is a black graduation cap with a gold tassel and a gold seal. To the right is a yellow star with the text "PRIZES FOOD SWIMMING GAMES BASKETBALL AND MORE!". Below the cap, the text "CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS!" is written in black. Below that, "SENIOR" is in large black letters, and "Sizzle" is in a blue script font. To the left of "CLASS OF 2024" is a yellow star with the text "Must be present to claim prizes. no re-entry under any circumstances". "CLASS OF 2024" is in large blue letters. Below that, "PLEASE JOIN US" is in a blue box. At the bottom, the event details are listed: "Friday, May 17th. 2024", "9:30pm-1:00am", "Lenexa Rec Center", "17209 W. 87th St. Pkwy.", "Student ID required for Entry", "Register at:", "https://forms.gle/D3ZXMP3fRY7qEeS27", and "\$5/per student (scholarships available)".

CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS!

SENIOR
Sizzle

CLASS OF
2024

PLEASE JOIN US

Friday, May 17th. 2024
9:30pm-1:00am
Lenexa Rec Center
17209 W. 87th St. Pkwy.
Student ID required for Entry
Register at:
<https://forms.gle/D3ZXMP3fRY7qEeS27>
\$5/per student (scholarships available)

Register for Senior Sizzle

View the image above for Senior Sizzle Details.

Use this code to Register. \$5 per student

<https://forms.gle/rkzqiipYSrikrCYz9>



Senior Information



Graduation for our Senior Class 2024 is right around the corner. The most important task is for our seniors to make sure that they continue to stay focused and apply themselves to classes so that the end of their year is successful and they earn each and every credit.

Seniors have been given graduation information in October and again in January, but if parents didn't see the handout, it is posted in the pdf below.

You may also visit our SM West website under the graduation tab for current information:

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

Or also under the Senior Information tab: <https://smwest.smsd.org/students/senior-information>

Many parents ask about when caps/gowns are delivered and also our "ticket" policy - - - the answers are THERE!!!!

If you have a senior that is interested in trying out to be a graduation speaker or a reader of the roll during the ceremony, please encourage them to see Jennifer Silverstein or Mark Rabbitt.

Impt Dates Remember FY24.pdf

[Download](#)

210.9 KB

Graduation Flower Fundraiser



Flowers and graduation gifts will be available for purchase at graduation!

**20% of proceeds
will benefit PTSA**

- \$15 Grad Bear
- \$20 Half Dozen
- \$30 Whole Dozen
- \$5 off a purchase of flowers & bear



SM West Finals Schedules

Please view the schedules below that represent the finals schedules for SM West Seniors and SM West students in 9-11 grades.

Final Exams
Final Exams
Final Exams



SHAWNEE MISSION WEST HIGH SCHOOL

May 2024

Senior Final Exam Schedule

Monday, May 13 – Odd Block Schedule

Tuesday, May 14 – Even Block Schedule

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

1 st Block Class	7:40 – 9:15
Block 3 Final Exam	9:20 – 10:55
Block 5 Final Exam	11:00 – 1:00 (lunch time within block) *
Block 7 Final Exam	1:05 – 2:40

Thursday, May 16, 2024

LATE START	7:40-8:30
Block 2 Final	8:40-10:15
Seminar	10:20-10:55
Block 4 Final Exam	11:00 – 1:00 (Lunch time within block) *
Block 6 Final Exam	1:05 – 2:40

Friday, May 17, 2024

Block 1 Final Exam	7:40 – 9:15
Graduation Rehearsal	9:15-11:30 - this is Mandatory
<small>(MacBook return, cap/gown pick up and yearbook pick up. There will be limited numbers of yearbooks available for purchase for \$70 if you did not preorder one.)</small>	
Senior Picnic & Yearbook Signing	11:30 – 1:00
<small>(Sponsored by PTSA Senior Sizzle committee and SM West Administration)</small>	

District policy states that a Semester Final cannot be administered early for any student (prior to the beginning of the testing window). A Final Exam may be taken after the scheduled date in cases of exceptional circumstances. Every exception must be approved in advance by Mr. Loe. Should a request be made, forms are available in the counseling office.

*Classes that have B lunch and have seniors in that class taking a final will have the teacher's direct students to either A or C lunch so as not to interfere with the final. Teachers will inform students.



SHAWNEE MISSION WEST HIGH SCHOOL

May 2024

Final Exam Schedule 9th-11th graders

May 24 – May 29

Monday, May 20 – Odd Class Day

Tuesday, May 21 – Even Class Day

Wednesday, May 22 – Odd Class Day

Thursday, May 23 – Even Class Day

Friday, May 24, 2024

Block 1 Final Exam	7:40 – 9:15
Block 3 Final Exam	9:20 – 10:55
Block 5 Optional Review	11:00 - 1:00
Block 7 Optional Review	1:05 – 2:40

MONDAY, May 27 – Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Block 2 Final Exam	7:40 – 9:15
Block 4 Final Exam	9:20 - 10:55
Block 6 Final Exam	11:00 – 12:30
Power Hour Lunch	12:30-1:15
8 th Seminar/Opt. Review	1:20 – 2:40

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

Block 5 Final Exam	7:40 - 9:15
Block 7 Final Exam	9:20 – 10:55
MacBook Return	10:55-12:10
Students will stay with 7 th block and then be dismissed by class to turn in MacBooks in the library.	
Lunch for all:	12:10 - 1:10
Early Dismissal	Busses leave at 1:17pm

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Please join us to celebrate the

Retirement

of Steve Loe

Thursday, May 23
3:00-5:00pm
SM West Library

Hope to see you there.

Happy Retirement!

Steven Case
Dan Dervin
Cathy Hays
Steve Loe
Eric Magnus
Jeff Onnen
Melissa Yanak

Feel free to address cards to Shawnee Mission West

SPOTLIGHTERS

Spotlighters Membership Drive

Please consider becoming a member for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. For your convenience, you can join electronically via google form/Square or print a PDF/Check.

If you join during our Membership Drive (April 29-May 6), 2024-2025 Angel Members can enjoy premium seating with paid admission for Spotlight Spectacular 2024!

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next Spotlighters meeting on Tuesday, May 7th at 6:00 PM in the choir room.



Teacher Appreciation Week

The Shawnee Mission Education Foundation is launching a special initiative to honor SMSD educators during Educator Appreciation Week (May 6-10)! Gifts can be made at www.smef.org/appreciation



DID YOU KNOW?

SMSD EDUCATORS ARE THE BEST!

Honor an educator during Educator
Appreciation Week with a gift to the
Shawnee Mission Education
Foundation!

Learn more at
www.smef.org/appreciation



Happy
National
School
Nurse Day!

National School Nurse Day

National School Nurse Day is Wednesday, May 8.

Since 1972, this day has been set aside to recognize school nurses and foster a better understanding of the role of school nurses in the educational setting. School Nurses address the

health needs of all students and advance their well-being and academic success by providing care coordination between families, outside healthcare providers, and the school team.

This day is a great time to celebrate your school nurse and encourage those in your school community to do the same. A simple gesture of appreciation can go a long way toward making them feel valued.

West Theatre Department Announcement

WE DID IT!

The Shawnee Mission West cast, crew and orchestra of *YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN* received seven Blue Star nominations this year, including **OUTSTANDING OVERALL PRODUCTION!**



Ceremony Ensemble / Frayn Clevenger

Dream Production Award - Costume Design / August Croushore

Outstanding Performer in a Supporting Role / Frayn Clevenger as "Sally Brown"

Outstanding Costume Design

OUTSTANDING OVERALL PRODUCTION

Results will be announced at The Blue Star Awards ceremony at Starlight on Thursday, May 16th!

Congratulations to everyone involved in Viking Theatre! 😊



Unified Soccer

Congratulations to the SMW Unified soccer team on their divisional championship win. So proud of our athletes and coaches. Special shout out to Erin Klehm for her organization, leadership and passion for promoting inclusivity in our school and community.

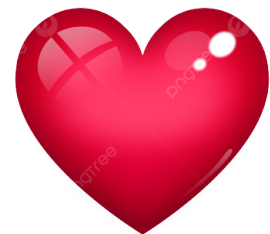


Heart of the West Week Follow Up

Shawnee Mission West students and staff and enjoyed a wonderful week last week as we celebrated Heart of the West week.

All week long students and staff participated in various spirit days and classes earned points towards the spirit stick for their participation. Curricular departments passed out Freezer pops, Jolly ranchers, popcorn and donuts on different days. The culmination of the week was a Pep Assembly organized by our SM West Pep Club led by the Pep Club Sponsor Nicole Gambatese.

We thank everyone for helping with the Heart of the West Assembly and we Loved all the participation from staff and students. Friday's assembly was a great example of what it means to be a Viking and why WEST IS BEST!





HEART



OF



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From SM West Athletics

West Is Best is offering a \$10 Sports Physical night at Shawnee Mission West on Thursday, May 9. Doctors will be on site to provide Shawnee Mission West athletes with physical exams for the low cost of \$10. All students interested in playing a sport at West during the 2024-2025 school year will need an up-to-date physical exam on file in the Athletic Office before they will be allowed to try out for any sport. If you would like to take advantage of these low-cost physical exams on May 9, please visit www.westisbestscholarshipfund.com to secure an appointment.

Attention all Shawnee Mission West Boys Basketball players: There will be a meeting on Monday, May 6 at 6:00 PM to introduce newly hired Head Boys Basketball Coach James Manthe. The meeting will take place in the Aux. Gym at Shawnee Mission West. All students planning on trying





meet players and parents, share is vision for the future of the program, and provide information on upcoming summer basketball activities.

Attention all Shawnee Mission West Athletes: Summer Weights and Conditioning sessions will begin on Monday, June 3. Please see the form [LINKED HERE](#) for the summer schedule and registration information.

WEST IS BEST SCHOLARSHIP FUND
&
SM WEST ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



\$10 SPORTS
physical
NIGHT



GRADES K-12

**WHEN &
WHERE:** THURSDAY, MAY 9
5:30PM TO 7:30PM
SM WEST HIGH SCHOOL

VISIT
WWW.WESTISBESTSCHOLARSHIPFUND.COM
TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Thank You, Providers:
Dr. Jenn Boggess, Dr. Rick Folten, Dr. Hannah Goltz, & Dr. Carlos Ruiz

PLEASE

JOIN US

MAY 9, 2024

3:30 - 4:30

FOR

A SENIOR RECEPTION

AT THE

SUNFLOWER ELEMENTARY LIBRARY

Refreshments will be served!



NOTE: Reception is for all Sunflower Elementary Alumni

graduating from High School in May, 2024!

Please spread the word and let your friends and classmates know!



Shawnee Mission West

PTSA

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GRAPHIC DESIGN CONTEST 2024


WANNA BE FAMOUS?

- Submit up to 3 designs for the '24-25 SM West Spirit Wear shirts
- Save them in ready to print files
- Send them to our email below by May 10th
- See if you win!



For more info

 smwestptsa@gmail.com

 facebook.com/smwestptsa

THANK YOU



Bus Drivers



Repeat Information





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Our very own SM West Performing Arts department was highlighted in the latest Mic'd Up Podcast with interviews of two exceptional West students - Creighton and Talise. Current Superintendent, Dr. Michelle Hubbard, and Current Director of Secondary Human Resources - Dr. Jeremy Hubbard, discovered how awesome our Performing Arts department is at SM West. Shout outs to : Eric Magnus, Derek Cross, Dr. Bill Thomas, Kevin Hupe, and Curtis Mulvenon, as well as all the staff that work behind the scenes with technology, sets, makeup and costumes.

Be sure to come see the next performance from our Performing Arts Department.



There are 18 Johnson County high school seniors who are 2024 Shooting Stars, recognized for their artistic excellence through scholarships.

Three students from SM West were recognized in this prestigious ceremony.

- Maren Tims, Shawnee Mission West High School, Wind & Percussion, 2nd place
- Faryn Clevenger, Shawnee Mission West High School, Theatre Performance, 1st place
- Kaitlyn Rongish, Shawnee Mission West High School, Voice, 1st place



Congratulations Vikings !!!!



SMSD All Star Award Presented to SM West Paraeducator and Softball Coach - Patti Hays

Monday, April 15 at the most recent Board of Education meeting, one of our very own Viking Staff members was presented with a Shawnee Mission All Star award. Ms. Patti Hays, paraeducator at Shawnee Mission West High School was presented with this prestigious award.

[Click here to see a video about Hays](#)

We thank Ms. Hays for all of her compassion, hard work, leadership and humor as she continues to guide our students towards their personal success.

SM West - New Head Basketball Coach

Shawnee Mission West High School is excited to announce James Manthe as the new Head Coach of the Viking Boys Basketball program! Coach Manthe comes to West from North Crowley High School in Fort Worth, Texas, where he spent the last three years as an Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. While on staff at North Crowley, Coach Manthe helped lead the Panthers to back-to-back, undefeated District 3 – 6A Championships. In early April Coach Manthe served as an assistant coach for the West Squad in the annual McDonald's All-American Game. Prior to joining the staff at North Crowley High School, Coach Manthe served as the Head Boys Basketball Coach at Nebo Crossing Academy in Nebo, North Carolina. He led the team to a CSAA State Championship in 2019, and CSAA Regional Championships in 2020 and 2021. Coach Manthe has also had stops as a Head Men's Basketball Coach at Champion Christian College, and Gospel Light Christian School, both in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Coach Manthe is a 2006 graduate of Leavenworth High School where he served as the Captain of Manthe transferred to Champion Christian College where he was the 2010 ACCA Player of the Year, a two-time ACCA National Champion, and had his jersey retired in 2012. Coach Manthe has been married for 11 years to his wife, Brianna. Together, they have three children – Brooklyn, Riley, and Max. Along with serving as the Boys Basketball Coach for the Vikings, Coach Manthe will also be teaching in the Physical Education Department at Shawnee Mission West. There will be a meeting on Monday, May 6th to introduce Coach Manthe to all players and parents. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM in the Shawnee Mission West Aux. Gym. All those interested in trying out for basketball next year at West are encouraged to attend. Welcome to West, Coach Manthe... we're glad to have you aboard the Viking Ship!





SM West - New Cross Country Coach

Shawnee Mission West is excited to announce Mark Porter as the new Head Coach of the Viking Cross Country program! Coach Porter takes over as head coach for the Vikings after spending the last 5 seasons as an Assistant Cross Country and Assistant Track

Coach at Shawnee Mission North. He has been coaching Cross Country for 21 years with previous stops at Olathe East, Turner, and Hocker Grove Middle School. Coach Porter also served as the first ever Head Coach of the Swim & Dive program at Turner High School. During his time as an Assistant Coach, Coach Porter was a part of a team that placed third at State. He has also helped coach five state qualifying teams, three Regional Championship teams, and one Regional Runner-Up. He has coached two Cross Country individual State Champions, two Track individual State Champions, 13 Cross Country individual State Medalists, and 25 individual State Track medalists. A graduate of Shawnee Mission North High School, Coach Porter went on to Emporia State University where he received a bachelor's degree in education. He later received a master's degree educational technology from Pittsburg State University. Besides serving as the new Head Cross Country Coach at Shawnee Mission West, Coach Porter will also be joining the school's Science Department as a teacher. Coach Porter is a resident of Lenexa, Kansas, and currently has a son attending Shawnee Mission West, and a daughter attending Sunflower Elementary. His wife Joanelle is a teacher at Hocker Grove Middle School. Congratulations, Coach Porter...we're glad to have you aboard the Viking Ship!



Student Services News

[Roadwise](#) is a free safety driving program for drivers 14-18. The program emphasizes the importance of wearing a seatbelt and making good safe decisions behind the wheel. June 14th, 1pm, at Research Medical Center. Register [here](#)

2024 Senior Celebrations

This year we will be celebrating every senior who is graduating this spring during our Honors and Awards with Senior Celebration Event. Seniors have the opportunity to share future plans in a slideshow as they walk across the SMW Auditorium stage. **As a reminder, seniors were asked to complete the Senior Celebration Google Form, which can be found on the Student Services Canvas page.**

Parents and Guardians are invited to join us on Tuesday, April 30th, 2024 in the SM West auditorium beginning at 9:45am. Due to limited seating, we kindly request your prompt response to secure your attendance.

We are thrilled to celebrate the achievements of our outstanding students and hope that you can join us. **The RSVP can be found [here](#).**

Real World Learning

I am delighted to inform you about the recent launch of KC Tech Council's [LEGiT \(Leadership and Empowerment for Girls in Tech\) KC program](#). This program, backed by Meta and Panasonic among

other company partners, has been meticulously designed to empower and equip female-identifying students entering their Junior (class of 2026) and Senior (class of 2025) years of high school with comprehensive tech exposure, career pathway guidance, leadership opportunities and invaluable mentorship.

Any girls interested can [fill out the short application](#) by April 15th, 2024. Previous technology experience is not a prerequisite; rather, we're simply looking for a genuine interest in exploring the vast possibilities of a career in tech. For further information, please visit [LEGiTKC.org](https://www.legitkc.org).

April is Autism Awareness Month! Here are some great resources to explore:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ALFEtzwF7CxC4h61Tz5seK0dNbEj7KEX0hfTSUImHq0/edit?usp=sharing>

See flier below

Free community mental health forum for teens- <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lets-talk-a-community-mental-health-forum-tickets-848660264697?aff=oddtcreator>

PowerPrep is hosting an ACT Prep class at the [Blue Valley School District's Hilltop Conference Center](#). Thursday, June 6th from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. Find more details:

<http://actprep.info/kansascity>. The early-bird price for this class is \$90.

Attention Seniors and Families: There are three academic awards you could qualify for by the end of 12th grade. We will post the list of students who have earned these awards this week. The list is on the glass doors in front of the West Wardrobe display outside of Student Services. Please come check the list if you think you have qualified for one of these awards. If you have any questions, see Ms Heller in Student Services.

Looking for a Job? Check out the [SMW Student Services Canvas](#) page for a link to the [Job Board](#). The Job Board lists current positions available for our students as well as upcoming summer positions (many summer positions start accepting applications now). While you are on the Student Services Canvas page, check out all of the great information we have listed and linked! :)

-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

-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.



High School Business Owners Need YOU

High School Business Owners Need YOU

We have a group of students with amazing REAL business ideas that they are bringing to life. Many are selling products and services right NOW.

We are looking for volunteers who can coach these high school age business owners on creating an amazing presentation. If you can encourage young people, catch some typos, and offer up business ideas, then we need YOU. The experience culminates with an online pitch competition with fun prizes.

If you are willing to help, please email TiffanyDixon@smsd.org with the team/day/time when you are available.

If you know of a business professional who may want to volunteer, please share the opportunity. These will be recurring meetings from now until May 10. For those who prefer to meet remotely, we can connect with via our WebEx meeting rooms.

Here is the list of teams/days/times:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1E-eg6d9YHwU5jvRL0q_eYkE147IA7IbYRZ9ikO4JRh4/edit?usp=sharing

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RESOURCE OFFICER
FOR MORE
INFORMATION



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PTSA - Volunteers needed for 2024-2025

West is looking for volunteers to fill open PTSA board and committee positions for the 2024-25 school year. We meet only 4 times a year, so this will not be a big commitment, but has impactful results. PTSA coordinates speakers for the general meetings, staff appreciation meals, classroom grants, senior scholarships and fundraisers to help pay for these things. Please consider filling one of these positions:



West is looking for volunteers (parents, grandparents, teachers, students, neighbors) to fill the following open PTSA board and committee positions for the 2024-25 school year:

- VP of Membership – create membership form and advertise
- VP of Ways and Means – oversee fundraising
 - Yard Sign Committee
- VP of Communications – post events and fundraisers to social media
 - Signup Committee – create/coordinate signups for staff appreciation, nurse's pantry, concession volunteers, etc.
- Secretary – record and post meeting minutes
- Reflections and Citizenship committee – school liaison for this program
- Legislation – work with the SMAC Legislative position to help encourage awareness of current legislation and how it affects SMSD.
- DEI advocate – work with the SMAC DEI position to help everyone in the school feel included, respected and supported.

We would very much like to hear from you at smwestpts@gmail.com



SMW PTSA

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- ✕ VP of Ways and Means
- ✕ Secretary
- ✕ Staff Appreciation
- ✕ Yard Sign Chair
- ✕ Membership

Join Our Team
and Make a
Difference Today!

JOIN US

**EMAIL PTSA FOR
MORE INFO:**
smwestptsa@gmail.com



2nd Semester Transportation Payment

2nd Semester Transportation Payment

Dear Families,

This is a friendly reminder that 2nd semester bus fees are due.

Payment of \$185/student can be made to DS Bus Lines through their [website](#) or in person at DS Bus Lines, 5519 Merriam Dr., Merriam, KS 66203. If you have any questions please call DS Bus Lines @ 913-384-1190.

Pago de transporte 2do semestre

Queridas familias,

Este es un recordatorio amistoso de que vencen las tarifas de autobús del segundo semestre.

El pago de \$185 por estudiante se puede hacer en DS Bus Lines a través de su sitio en línea en [website](#) o en persona en DS Bus Lines, 5519 Merriam Dr., Merriam, KS 66203. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a DS Bus Lines al 913-384-1190.

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



We are excited to continue partnering with YES! for West Reads Video. Mya Williams reads "Love is Loud" by Diane Nash. This book represents the Read Across America theme, Celebrate Diversity. [Here is the Video!](#)



District Performing Arts Newsletter

Great music is being made in our district! Check out the [March 2024 Performing Arts Newsletter](#).

Great things are being taught!

Summer School Information

Our Summer School options are open at this time for you to start the registration process. We have two different Google Forms, one for Summer Academy (in person) and one for E-School (online). This will give us information to start the enrollment process with you and your student. However, the registration will not be complete until we receive payment in full. You must register with us BEFORE May 31st. Summer Academy (in person) at Shawnee Mission North High School (7401 Johnson Drive, Mission, KS) There is NO transportation offered. You will have to find your own way there. E-School (online)

Please check in with your alpha assigned school counselor if you have any questions.

Laura Raney (A-E)

Kim Urenda (F-K)

Katy Reda (L-Q)

Jamie Heller (R-Z)

Tommie Davis (CAA & CTE)

Thank you!



You got into college...

...if you got into 1 college/your top-choice college

NOW WHAT?

- Submit your FAFSA, CSS Profile, state aid forms, etc.
- Apply for external scholarships
- Take out student loans, if you need them...
- ...max out on federal government loans first (those are usually cheaper), before seeking private loans.

Stay on top of remaining documents & deadlines!

- **Accept your admissions:**
Most colleges have a deadline (often May/June) for when you need to accept your admissions &/or pay a deposit to secure your spot.
- **Submit required documents...**
...like your final high school transcript, ID, financial aid documents, or proof of vaccination.
- **Keep track of other deadlines...**
...like when to sign up for orientation or apply for student housing. Often all this info is communicated both via email and in your student portal.

...if you got into multiple colleges

- **Decide on the right one!**
- Consider the experience: What matters most to you about your college experience?
- Consider the money: Which college represents the best return on investment?
- Talk it out! Chat with your friends, family, College Adviser, and counselors!

YOU DIDN'T GET INTO COLLEGE

What to do next

Step 1

Acknowledge your feelings, and let yourself grieve (just a bit).

College rejection letters feel awful and sometimes hurtful. Allow yourself a few days to process.

Try to remember: It's not personal!

A college rejection letter is not a rejection of who you are. Your college app didn't 100% represent all the facets of who you are and what makes you great.

Step 2

Make a plan to move forward. Still go to school, just a *different* one.

Consider taking community college classes, and then transfer. This is a common option! 1.4 million students change colleges each year. Plus, going this route could save you money!

Apply to rolling-admissions universities.

Attend a trade/vocational school.

OR...

...take a gap year.

Think of this as an opportunity: Use your gap year to take classes; learn a new skill or trade; volunteer, intern, or work; or travel.

Strengthen your application for the following year. Speak to a College Adviser or counselor if you need help figuring out what would help.



Senior Year is Almost Over!!!


Do you have FAFSA, housing, or enrollment questions?

Are you anxious about your next steps?

Do you feel as if you're forgetting something?

Let's talk!
Schedule a meeting with the College Adviser, Miss Allen!
AubreighAllen@smsd.org

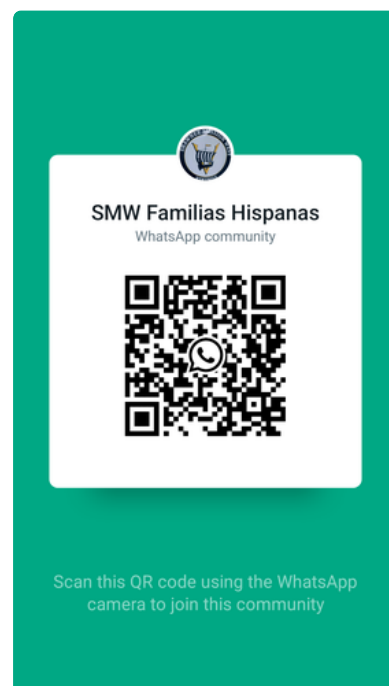
Parents and guardians can schedule too!



We would like to invite you to join our group WHATSAPP SMW Familias Hispanas to receive information from announcements and events from SMW School.

Nos gustaría invitarlos a unirse a nuestro grupo de WHATSAPP SWM Familias Hispanas para recibir información de anuncios y eventos de Escuela SMW.

Follow this link to join my WhatsApp community:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Kt2GKpwev7P0JyTFAN7Fmy>



Bookkeeping News

FEE PAYMENT

REMINDER - Please check Skyward to see if your family still has a balance for fees. We thank you for your prompt attention to pay fees.



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.

Thank you.

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

SAIL Tutoring Each Wednesday and Thursday after school

Please remember to take advantage of our **SAIL Tutoring Program**.

What a great way to start off second semester on a positive track.

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
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THURSDAY

Math
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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

SAIL TUTORING DATES

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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

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The Real World Is Waiting For You!



Viking Families,

As a new semester is right around the corner we would like to take this opportunity to shine a light on an opportunity given to students in our community.

The Shawnee Mission School District in partnership with the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation has created opportunities for your child to dig deeper into their passions and enhance their education.

Through Real World Learning, students can experience what life may look like after high school and gain market-value assets, a skill that will help them in their future endeavors. Other things students could gain,

- Regionally Vetted Industry-Recognized Credentials
- Internship Opportunities
- Client Collected Projects
- Entrepreneurial ventures
- Work Experience
- College Credit

Students will be able to learn in a hands-on environment while getting a jumpstart on their futures.

Want to learn more?

There is no better time to jump in than the present! For more information contact Tommie Davis the real work learning counselor.

Email:
tommiedavis@smsd.org

Call:
993-7835



SMAC PTA CLOTHING EXCHANGE

January - May 2024



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

SCHEDULE

4:30pm-6:30pm	10:00am-12:00pm
	FRI, JAN 5
THURS, JAN 11	
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UNDERWEAR & SOCKS PROGRAM

- Each child enrolled in the Shawnee Mission School District can receive 5 new pairs of 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 for donation options and volunteer sign-up links.

Follow us on Facebook here:



LOCATION & CONTACT

SMSD Early Childhood Education Center
6701 West 83rd St.
Overland Park, KS 66204
Enter at back of the building at Door #7
Web: smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange

Website Link:



SMAC PTA CLOTHING EXCHANGE

Enero - Mayo 2024

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

Calendario	
4:30pm-6:30pm	10:00am-12:00pm
	Viernes 5 de Enero
Jueves 11 de Enero	
	Viernes 19 de Enero
Jueves 25 de Enero	
	Viernes 2 de Febrero
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	Viernes 16 de Febrero
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	Viernes 5 de Abril
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	Viernes 3 de Mayo
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	Viernes 17 de Mayo
Jueves 23 de Mayo	

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 para conocer las opciones de donación y registrarse como voluntario.

Enlace de Facebook:



Ubicación y Contacto:

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

Enlace al sitio web:




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.

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		

SCAN HERE



- 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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We Want You on Team 512



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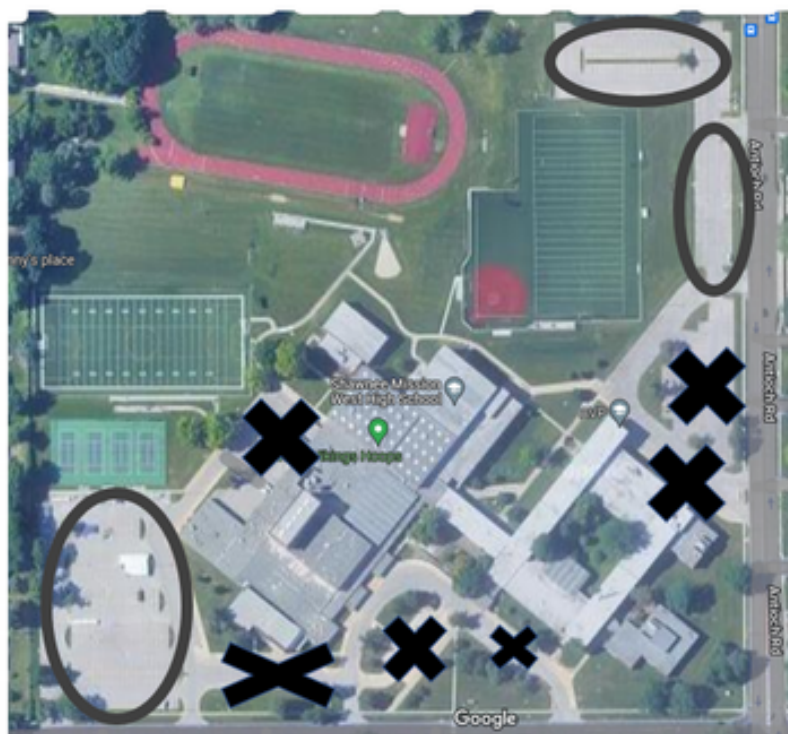
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Watch on YouTube

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.

PARKING PERMIT.pdf

[Download](#)

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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/>



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.

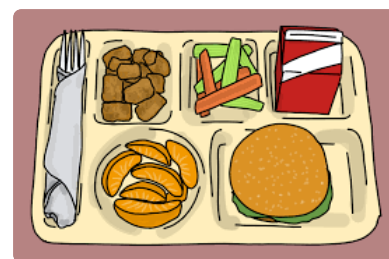
4. Keyboard covers should not be used since non-Apple keyboard covers might be too large and can put pressure on the screens and cause damage.
5. Please don't leave your MacBook in a car overnight.
6. Needed programs can be found on Manager. You will not be able to download programs from the App Store 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 lose 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:



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www.smsd.org

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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:



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TRANSPORTE

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

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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.



- 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.

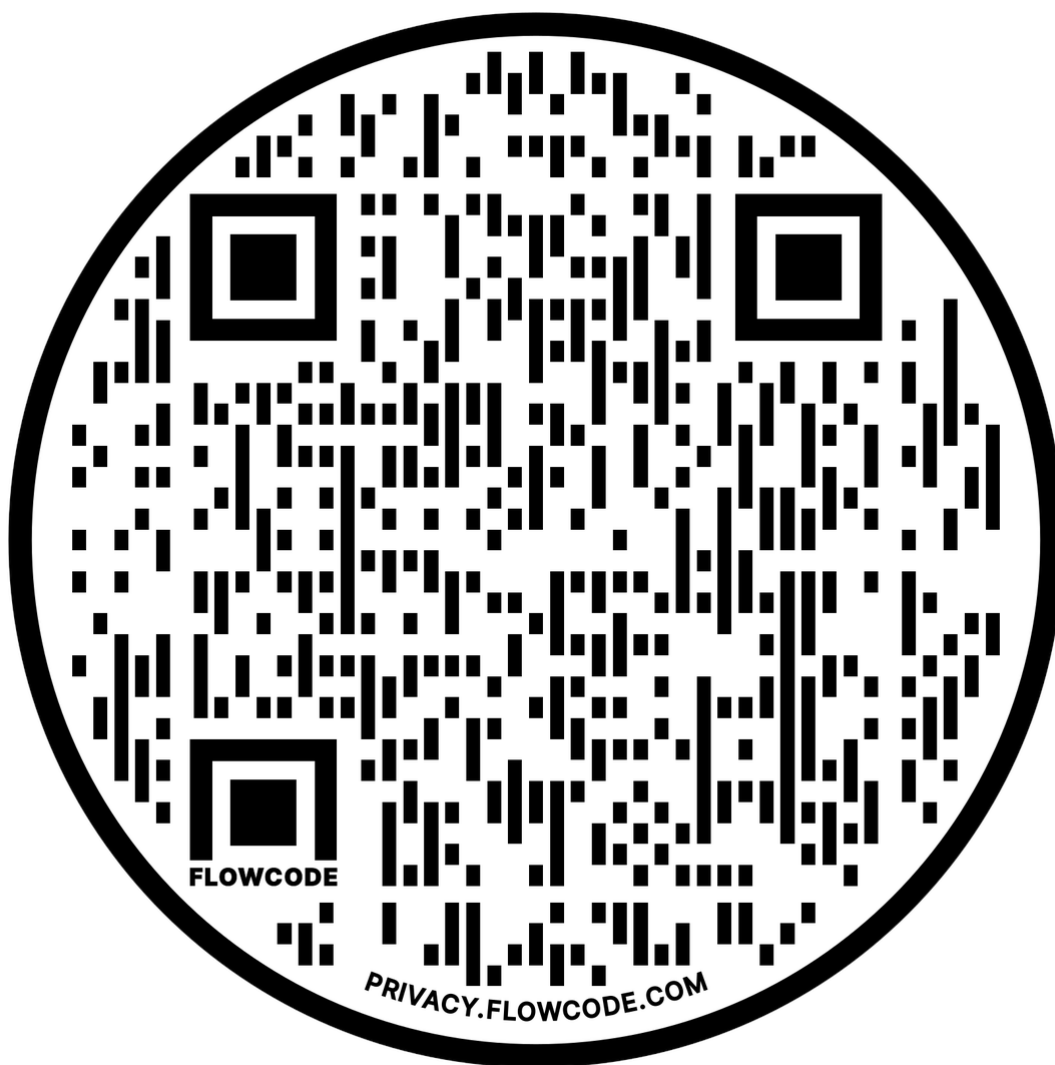
Thank you to our PTSA for all of the wonderful things you have been able to provide for our staff and our students.



PTSA Officers for 2023-2024 academic year:

Presidents - Erin VanDyke and Jean Baucom
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Please view the attachment below so that you and your family can become members.
Thank you for your support.



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