

SM West June Update

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The SM West offices will reopen on Tuesday, July 25th at 7:00am. Our office hours are 7am-3:30pm Monday-Friday, beginning on July 25, 2024.

Student Services and Counselors will be available for enrollment on Monday, June 29th.

We thank you for your support.

SAVE THE DATES

Please take a moment to update your calendars for some beginning of the year activities for the 2023-2024 academic year.

SM West Office will open on July 25th.

Regular Hours are 7am-3:30pm.



FEE PAYMENT

We strongly encourage and recommend our patrons pay fees online. The link to pay for the 2024-2025 fees will open mid July.

<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)

First day of school for 9th and 12th graders: Tuesday, Aug 13th

All grade in attendance : Wednesday Aug. 14th

Picture Days:

Wed. Aug. 14 - All classes ID Pictures - Freshmen - Same photo will be used for yearbook

Tues. Sept. 10th and Wed. Sept. 11th Senior Yearbook Portrait Photo

Oct. 28 Last Change Retakes

Meet the Coach Mon. Aug. 26th 6pm: For students participating in Fall Sports

Back to School Night: Aug. 24th (See Flier below)

SHAWNEE MISSION WEST

BACK TO SCHOOL

August 15th
6PM-9PM

6PM-6:45PM VIKING VIEW FOR FRESHMAN AND NEW FAMILIES IN AUDITORIUM

6PM-6:45PM AP/COLLEGE NOW INFORMATION SESSION IN CAFETERIA

7PM-9PM VISIT CLASSROOM TEACHERS FOLLOWING ALL CLASS BELL SCHEDULE

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School F E E S

We encourage families to pay for fees online:

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

The portal to pay fees will not open until mid-July.

Families are welcome to pay fees in person during our Fee Payment Event on July 30th from 1-7pm or at anytime for walk ins from 7:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday beginning on July 26th. Representatives from Food Service, DS Bus Lines, PTSA, Health Partnership Clinic, the West School nurse and others will be on the bridge during the Fee Payment event.

Use the PDF documents below to view the fee payment document either in English or Spanish.



Fee Payment FY25.pdf

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Fee Payment FY25 Spanishrevised.pdf

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Shawnee Mission Administration Team

Shawnee Mission West is so very excited to welcome some new faces to the administration team:

Mr. Blake Revelle - Principal

Mrs. Kotoka Kerr - Associate Principal

Dr. Diane Markley - Associate Principal

Both Mr. Stan Anderson - Associate Principal and Mr. Todd McAtee

- Athletic Director will be returning with many years of experience here at SM West.



Shawnee Mission West Students, Parents/Guardians, and Community Members,

I hope you are enjoying your summer so far! My name is Blake Revelle, and I am the incoming SMW principal. As a collective Shawnee Mission West learning community, our team is both excited and humbled to have the opportunity to guide your

student's next educational journey during the 2024-2025 school year.

At Shawnee Mission West, our mission is to create an equitable, caring environment with high standards to promote student success. Although not specifically noted in the previous statement, one foundational element necessary to the success of this mission is you – our parent community! We ask that you continue to invest in – and meaningfully partner with – your students and your school community throughout your student's four-year high school experience. This will be the best four years of your student's educational experience so far!

As I transition into the role of principal at SMW for the 24-25 school year, I want to take the opportunity to briefly introduce myself and my background:

For the past 9 years, I have served the Indian Hills community in the SMSD as both principal and associate principal. Prior to my administrative tenure at the middle level in both Shawnee Mission and in USD 232, I taught, coached, and advised at Olathe Northwest High School. I'm a current doctoral student at Kansas State University, I have a Master's Degree in School Administration from Emporia St. University, and a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary English Language Arts from MidAmerica Nazarene University in Olathe, KS.

My wife, Whitney, and I, have three amazing children: Myles: age 13, Parker: age 11, and Kai'Lina: age 3. If I'm not at school, or at a school event, you can likely find me either at my kids' events, or transporting them to their events!

I'm excited to take the first steps in our journey together, and I cannot wait to learn more about you and our students in the coming months. We are going to have a fantastic 24-25 school year!

Greetings Shawnee Mission West High School Community!

Mrs. Kotoka Kerr is excited to join the administrative team as an Associate Principal. During the past two decades, Mrs. Kerr has worked to support students with diverse needs and abilities throughout her career as an educator, and is eager to bring her experience and dedication to our school community. Mrs. Kerr has a rich background that encompasses many roles working with students with special needs in districts such as New York City Public Schools, Kansas City Kansas Public Schools, Olathe Public Schools and Joplin School district. In her tenure as Special Education Department Chair and Social Emotional Resource teacher at Blue Valley North High school she has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to instructional leadership.



Mrs. Kerr is a proud graduate of Emporia University and MidAmerica Nazarene University, holding a Master's degree in Educational Administration and a Master's degree in Education. Mrs. Kerr is excited to partner with you in your child's educational journey this year. "Together, we can ensure that every student at Shawnee Mission West receives the support and education they

need to grow and succeed."



Dr. Diane Markley is excited to be starting her fourteenth year in education at Shawnee Mission West! She spent her first nine years in the profession teaching 7th-12th grade orchestra at Lakeview Middle School and Park Hill South High School, and she joined the administrative team at Park Hill South as an assistant principal in July 2020. In her role as an assistant principal, Dr. Markley oversaw NWEA testing, academic intervention and support, PBIS implementation, student discipline, curriculum and instruction, and her two passion projects - a student sense of belonging committee and a peer mentoring program supporting freshmen, new students, and special education students. Dr. Markley holds a doctorate in K-12 School Leadership and a Masters of Science in School Leadership from Baker University, and she also holds both a Masters in Orchestral Conducting and a Bachelors in Music Education from Missouri State University. As an SMSD graduate, Dr. Markley is proud to be joining the administrative team at Shawnee Mission West in the 2024-2025 school year, and she is eager to meet the students, staff, and SMW families soon.

Preliminary 24-25 School Year Adjustments:

As we prepare for the 24-25 school year, our building leadership team (BLT) has been hard at work analyzing Shawnee Mission West's 23-24 school year data.



Our BLT has identified a variety of strategies, actions, and areas of emphasis for next year - most of which will be pertinent to our staff members.

However, there are two items that have been identified based on the data that will likely directly affect our students. As we prepare for the 24-25 school year, we will be revising portions of our mobile phone and hallway procedures to better protect classroom instructional time to increase student achievement.

These changes will be solidified in August and shared broadly with our school community at that time.

Bus Transportation Message for 2024-2025 Academic Year

Please view the images below for a message about bus transportation for 2023-2024.



Shawnee Mission School District 2024-25 Busing

Please note the following important information for 2024-25 busing:

- DS Bus Lines will start receiving payments for riders in eligible service areas after June 10th.. Bus registration may be found at the following link: [DS Bus Lines registration](#)
- 2024-25 bus fees will remain the same as the prior year.
 - Early bird discount of \$160/semester/student or \$320/year/student if **paid before July 22**
 - **Paid after July 22** will be \$185/semester/student or \$370/year/student
- Any student attending their home school and living 2.5 miles or more from the school qualifies for free busing. Registration is required.
- Students who qualify for the Child Nutrition Meal Benefits – free and reduced priced meals may also qualify for free transportation, and enroll to ride existing routes. When registering, please provide a copy of the Child Nutrition Meal Benefits Eligibility letter to DS Bus Lines to complete the enrollment process. SMSD families can apply for Child Nutrition Meal Benefits after July 1st on School Café - <https://www.schoolcafe.com/SHAWNEEMISSION>.
- Transportation changes put in effect during the 2022-23 school year will remain in effect for the 2024-25 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.

Distrito escolar de Shawnee Mission Transporte en autobús 2024-25

Es difícil creer que otro año escolar ha llegado a su fin y es hora de comenzar a inscribirse para el servicio de autobús del año escolar 2024-25. Tenga en cuenta la siguiente información importante para el transporte escolar 2024-25:

- Inscripción de autobuses abiertas Lunes, 10 de junio de 2024 para pasajeros en áreas de servicio elegibles. El registro del autobús se puede encontrar en el siguiente enlace: [Inscripción DS Líneas de Autobuses](#)
- Las tarifas de autobús para 2024-25 seguirán siendo las mismas que las del año anterior.
 - Descuento por reserva anticipada de \$160/semestre/estudiante o \$320/año/estudiante si pagado **antes del 22 de julio**
 - **Pagado después del 22 de julio** será \$185/semestre/estudiante o \$370/año/estudiante
- Cualquier estudiante que asista a su escuela local y que viva a 2.5 millas o más de la escuela califica para transporte gratuito. Es necesario registrarse.
- Estudiantes que califican para los Beneficios de Comidas de nutrición Infantil: las comidas gratuitas y de precio reducido también pueden calificar para el transporte gratuito e inscribirse para viajar en las rutas existentes. Al registrarse, proporcione una copia de la carta de elegibilidad para los beneficios de comidas de nutrición infantil a DS Bus Lines para completar el proceso de inscripción. Las familias de SMSD pueden solicitar beneficios de

comidas de nutrición infantil después del 1 de julio en School Café-

<https://www.schoolcafe.com/SHAWNEEMISSION>.

- Los cambios de transporte que se implementaron durante el año escolar 2022-23 permanecerán vigentes para el año escolar 2024-25. Esto incluye limitar las rutas de la escuela secundaria a los estudiantes que residen a más de 2.0 millas de su escuela.
- Las rutas de autobús y las ubicaciones de las paradas se determinarán en función de las personas que se registren para el servicio de autobús. Se requiere un número mínimo de inscripciones (50 pagadas) para poder ofrecer una ruta.
- Se requiere registro anual de transporte para que los estudiantes reciban el servicio de autobús.

Para obtener más información sobre el transporte del Distrito Escolar de Shawnee Mission, visite <https://www.smsd.org/families/transportation> o llame a DS Bus Lines al 913-384-1190.



From our Nurse's Office

The SMW Nurses Office will be closed from May 29th until August 9th.

Vaccinations

Use this link to direct you to published vaccination guidelines for the Shawnee Mission School District.

<https://www.smsd.org/about/departments/health-services/immunizations-physicals>

Sports Physicals

Please see the following link for the updated KSHSAA sports physical form. Physicals must be completed no earlier than May 1st preceding the school year for which it is applicable. **Completed sports physicals go to Patricia McCluskie, SMW Athletic Secretary, in the Middle Office.** Be advised there a few additional paper forms that must be signed by the parents/guardians and/or students prior to sports participation.

English Version:

<https://www.smsd.org/fs/resource-manager/view/09e07f15-fe12-4061-acec-cd81c0d28e86>

Spanish Version:

<https://www.smsd.org/fs/resource-manager/view/1cdc5503-fead-4ef3-aabb-93cc105b447e>

Mental Health Resource

Johnson County 24-Hour Mental Health Center Crisis Line: (913) 268-0156

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988

We hope you all have a safe and relaxing summer!

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2024-2025 7th and 11th grade students only

SUMMER Vaccination Clinics

Vaccines Offered: [Tdap](#), [Hepatitis A](#), [Meningitis](#), [HPV](#)



June 14, 2024, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

June 21, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

Sunset Drive Office Building, Room 1055
11811 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe, KS 66061

July 12, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

July 19, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

Northeast Office Building, Room 500
6000 Lamar Ave., Mission, KS 66202

August 2, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

August 9, 2024, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunset Drive Office Building, Room 1070/1075
11811 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe, KS 66061



Scan the QR code to complete the consent form. Bring insurance card if you have one. No one is turned away for inability to pay. Questions? Call 913-826-1261 or send an email to jcdhe@jocogov.org.

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Environment**

Solo para estudiantes de los grados 7 y 11 durante el año 2024-2025

Clínicas de vacunación DE VERANO

14 de Junio, 2024, 8 a.m. a 4 p.m.

21 de Junio, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

Edificio Sunset Drive, Cuarto 1055

12 de Julio, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

19 de Julio, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

Edificio Noreste, Cuarto 500

2 de Agosto, 2024, 12-4 p.m.

9 de Agosto, 2024, 8 a.m. a 4 p.m.

Edificio Sunset Drive, Cuarto 1070/1075



JOHNSON COUNTY
KANSAS
Health & Environment

From our Athletic Director - Todd McAtee

Just a reminder that tryouts and practices for fall sports will begin on Monday, August 19. No student is allowed to tryout, practice, or participate in any fashion until they have an up-to-date physical exam on file in the Athletic Office. Physical exams must have occurred on or after May 1, 2024, in order to be valid for the 2024-2025 school year.

To ensure your student is allowed to participate on the first day of tryouts, it is best to get the physical exam turned in to the Athletic Office well before August 19. If you are unable to make an appointment with your primary care physician before August 19, we would encourage you to contact a local chiropractor for a physical exam.



English and Spanish versions of the Physical and Concussion Form are attached below.



Sports Physical Englishv 2024-2025.pdf

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Sports Physicals 2024-2025 Spanish.pdf

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1.1 MB

Summer Jump Start for Honors ELA

For students who have enrolled in Honors ELA:

The logo for Summer Jumpstart, featuring the words "Summer" in yellow and "Jumpstart" in white on a red background.

Summer Jumpstart

Please refer back to an email that you should have received from your future ELA teacher. Attached to their email are directives for how to Jump Start this summer to prepare for the beginning of the year.

This link will also take you to the website for the outlines that have been uploaded.

<https://smwest.smsd.org/academics/summer-reading>.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Thank you.

SM West Clubs/Activities

In the PDF below you will find a comprehensive list of clubs/activities that have had sponsors for the 23-24 school year. (The list will be updated when teachers return in the fall for the 24-25 school year).

We hope that your student takes time to view this list and then maybe finds an activity for which they want to find out more when we return in the fall. Research suggests that participation in extracurricular activities may increase students' sense of engagement and attachment to their school, and can lead to success inside and outside of the classroom.



SMW CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES FY25.pdf

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Celebrating our Class of 2024

Use the link below to watch the graduation ceremony for any of our SMSD High Schools.

<https://youtube.com/live/XvtgolkMx9Y?feature=share>



Honor Rolls

Below you will find three documents for the most recent SM West Honor Roll lists:

- 3.0 Honor Roll - GPA 3.0-3.9999 with no N, D, F, or I grades
- Principal's Honor Roll -GPA 4.0 and above with no N,C,D,F, or I grades
- All A Honor Roll - student earned all A grades

Our SM West staff and community are proud of the hard work these students put forth and celebrate their accomplishments.



3.0 Honor Roll Sem 2 YE24.pdf

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Principal's Honor Roll Sem 2 YE24.pdf

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All A Honor Roll Sem 2 FY24.pdf

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KELPA and KAP Reports

KELPA & KAP reports are available. For families wanting their students' reports in Spanish, they can download those from the Kite parent portal. The following guides provide instructions for creating their accounts and downloading the reports.

Assessments

[Kite Parent Portal User Guide in English](#)

[Kite Parent Portal User Guide in Spanish](#)



Food Services

Summer Lunch Bunch

Hunger does not take a vacation in the summertime in the Shawnee Mission School District. We offer free lunches for all children ages 1-18 during the summer months. These meals are funded entirely by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The

Shawnee Mission Food Service department will prepare and serve these lunches during the summer. This summer, meals must be consumed onsite, and no take home meals will be offered.

[Summer Lunch Bunch Website](#)

Para obtener información y menús para Summer Lunch Bunch en español, [haga clic aquí](#).

Summer Lunch Bunch

Hunger does not take a vacation in the summer.

FREE HOT LUNCH
for ALL children ages 1-18

These meals, funded entirely by the United States Department of Agriculture, will provide a hot entree with a choice of numerous side dishes. Shawnee Mission food service employees will prepare and serve these lunches during the summer. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Dates: June 3 – July 26, 2024, Monday through Friday
(closed June 19 & July 4 & 5)

Time: 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Locations: Comanche, Rosehill, Shawanoe
Westridge Middle, Shawnee Mission North

- Adults can purchase a meal for \$5.00 cash only. No checks, credit or debit cards.
- There will be no monitoring of allergies.
- Please join us for lunch in the cafeteria. All meals must be consumed onsite.

Contact the food service department at (913) 993-9710 with any questions or visit www.smsd.org/about/departments/food-service for more information.

Comanche Elementary: 8200 Grant St., Overland Park, KS 66204 Westridge Middle: 9300 Nieman Road, Overland Park, KS 66214
 Rosehill Elementary: 9901 Rosehill Rd., Lenexa, KS 66215 SM North: 7401 Johnson Drive, Overland Park, KS 66202
 Shawanoe Elementary: 11230 West 79th Street, Shawnee, KS 66214

HIRING

SM West High School is hiring! Join our team and make a difference in the lives of our students!



We specifically have a high need for Paraprofessionals. Our Paraprofessionals are important educators who support the learning of students. Click [HERE](#) for a more detailed description of the job duties of our Paraprofessionals. You can also access the [district's human resources website here](#). Working and making a difference in a young person's life is one of the most rewarding experiences you can have!

Contact me at 993-7800 or blakerevelle@smsd.org for more information.

Note - We are also continually in the need for food service and custodial workers.

Thank you!
Blake Revelle
Principal, Shawnee Mission West High School



Jennifer Silverstein

Jennifer is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

