Trojan Times



Summer 2024

A monthly newsletter to families

Upcoming Dates to Know...

June 17: Start Summer School Session 1
June 19: Juneteenth, no summer school
June 28: End Summer School Session 1

July1-5: No summer school
July 8: Start Summer School Session 2

Aug. 2: End Summer School Session 2
Aug. 8: Back to School Event @ Joannes Park
Aug 13: SW Registration (2pm-6pm)
Aug. 15: SW Registration (10am-2pm)
Aug. 26: First Day of School
(9th grade in-person,
10th, 11th, 12th Asynchronous instruction)



Let's Talk... Connect with School Staff!

Administration:
Principal: *Mike Whisler*
Associate Principal (Last Names A-L): *Tori Adkins,*
Associate Principal (Last Names M-Z): *Louisa Samples*
Student Engagement: *John Polkowski*
Athletic Director: *Amy Hogan*

Want to connect with school administration?
Please call the main office ahead to see if the principal or associate principal is available or if there's a need to schedule an appointment. School administrators are always available via email.

Want to have a quick conversation with a staff member?
If so, please reach out to them by phone or email to schedule a short appointment.

Thank you for your assistance with scheduling appointments with staff ahead of time.
This will help us ensure that we are providing the best service possible to the students and families of Southwest High School.



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(Counselors/ Student Records):
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Athletics & Activities
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Mental Well-Being Resources

You're important. You matter.
& so does your mental well-being.

Please click the linked resources HERE from SW Social Workers to obtain resources which may help you and/or your student.

In the event of a suicidal crisis or emotional distress, ***call or text 988*** to connect with a trained crisis counselor immediately.





Student creations from **Woods 1 & 2 classes**.



Congratulations to the below students on the amazing achievement of the Seal of Biliteracy!

- Darren Deines
- Jesus Hernandez Castro
- Isaiah Kapalin
- Natasha Nau
- Kimberley Ponce Nicanor
- Paola Roblero
- Oscar Sanchez Santos
- Joel Santiago

The Seal of Biliteracy (SBL) is a state approved student credential administered by a school district to recognize graduating high school students proficient in English and one or more additional languages. Recipients of the Wisconsin Seal of Biliteracy are verified to have professional - level biliteracy and bilingualism in both languages.

Best of the Class event at Lambeau Field for SWHS Seniors!







Teacher appreciation: We're so grateful for our SW staff!

During **teacher appreciation**, these students showered Ms. Spelman with love and presents. Ms. Spelman says "These lovely ladies come to my room everyday and eat lunch with me. I am blessed."







Forensics Team's went to State where the kids earned two silvers and two golds!

Wonderful Words of Wisdom (W to the 3rd Power of Listening) **FEA** reunites w/Mr. Liddicoat - time to Celebrate!!!





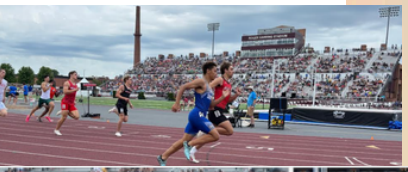


Teachers Taking Time To Teach Teachers ("T to the 6th power of Learning). GBAPS Offers **FEA** Internships - time to Celebrate!!!



Roy Doxtator (above)

Native American graduates received eagle feathers for their graduation caps from the YES program. L to R: Asaylea Aleman, Samantha Anderson, Whitney Danforth, Devin Tourtillott-Williams, Senaida Casteneda, Sadie Martin, Josef Cornelius.



State Track & Field Meet
-Delaney
-Wren
-Henry and
-Lovell





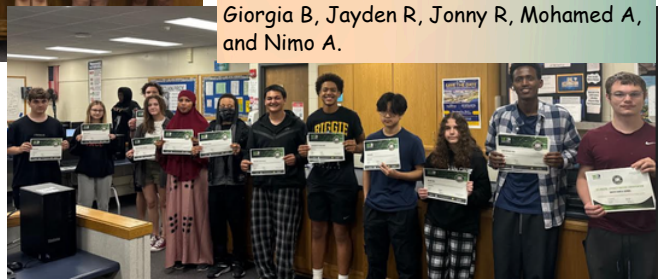


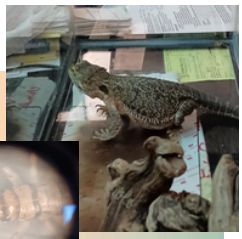


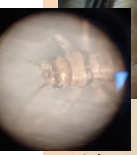


Congratulations to students in **Microsoft Office** achieving PowerPoint Certification. Certified Students include Donald L, Kayden L, Charlie B, Sam D, Travis A, Kimberley P, Leilani Y, and Kenzie B.

Congratulations to students in **Computer Essentials** achieving IC3 Digital Literacy Certification. Level 1 Certified include Denis V, Ethan H, Imer M, Jason F, Keona S, Marissa J, Marty P, Sean P-K, Victoria M, Warren V. Level 2 Certified include Melaine B, Samantha P-K, Traevaughn W. Level 3 Master Certified include Charlie B, Giorgia B, Jayden R, Jonny R, Mohamed A, and Nimo A.







Through the lens of Rayna W, the pressure of "Finals" pales in comparison to the directional selective pressure placed on prey . . .











Kaden was given a choice of a community non profit that he could donate to and he chose Green Bay Southwest Sting Cancer.



StingCancer Guest Speaker: Ian Pagen-Gonzalez (Green Bay Southwest High School 2022 graduate, former StingCancer member, and cancer survivor)

Head Shaving & Raffle for StingCancer: Tom Sebranek (Donated $853.00 to Southwest StingCancer)

Winner of the Green Bay West Rotary Club Student of the Month: Kaden Diemer (Donated his $200 winnings to Southwest StingCancer)

Miracle Minute (Staff and Students at the assembly): Collected by Student Council (Donated $80 to Southwest StingCancer)



Student Success Awards with Gail Wery, Isaiah Kapalin, & Ms. Schlicht.





Fox River Monitoring Club has been working with UWGB to grow native plants in an effort to help combat invasive species. The club has been growing wild rice plants in buckets in the greenhouse since we returned from Spring Break. Students recently had the opportunity to transplant the wild rice plants to Barkhausen Nature Preserve.

Class of 2024

























Farewell to Southwest's Retirees!

We appreciate you and all that you have done for Southwest and the students. Your influence has made a difference.
May the years ahead be filled with new endeavors and happy adventures.

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week from FEA. Here are the clues for our first retiring honoree: *"Teachers love Apples and she chose to live in the BIGGEST. She worked out and was FOOTLOOSE with BACON. She was not the WOLF, nor did she meet Leonardo when she worked here. (Leonardo was not a Turtle, but more a bit BULLISH, but she also worked in D.C. She sang at Carnegie and skied in Vermont. You do not know all of these facts, because she is a fantastic LISTENER. You may need help to solve this mystery, so seek COUNSEL among your friends."* If you know who this is, be the first to claim your price in room 2605 & then deliver a gift to our honored retiree!



Reese P and Ms. Birder - 2024

Our 2nd Honoree reads 4-5 books per month, but there are no SIGNS of slowing down when you canoe the Boundary Waters, and hike the Grand Tetons, as well as the Smokies. It is difficult to INTERPRET these clues when I tell you they love Broccoli and woodworking, too. The best way to GESTURE at their legacy in the classroom is to tell you that she has four Trojans of her own. If you know who this mystery honoree is, please be the first to arrive in room 2605 to claim your prize and deliver one to your honoree.



Addyson S and Ms. Rolefson - 2024

Today's honoree understands that "laughter is the best medicine" and wrote a terrific riddle: "Sometimes when I sip my Dr. Pepper, I DRIBBLE on my Southwest sweatshirt. I love potato chips and dip, I don't always use a PLATE. I set my GOALS high in everything I do in life. I am going to travel a lot in retirement. I cannot wait to KICK OFF my retirement after 36 years!" If you know who belongs to this riddle, be the first to room 2605 to claim your prize and another for your honored retiree.



Emerson K and Ms. Hogan – 2024

As I describe today's Honoree, it may seem that I am speaking WALLOON as I WAFFLE between telling you they lived in Portland in the East and Portland in the West and only have 5 more states to visit in the continental US. Their GUIDANCE has generated a trifecta in 2023 with the oldest son awarded Wisconsin Baseball Coach of the year, and the youngest son the Rising Star Award, while the daughter earned a Doctor of Physical Therapy! You might find yourself in a PICKLE as you try to sleuth this out, the BALL is in your COURT, seek COUNSEL if you must. If you know who belongs to this riddle, be the first to room 2605 to claim your prize and another for your honored retiree



Jenson T & Joseph honor Mrs. Zehren – 2024

We have more retirees than have been mentioned but will honor their wishes to keep it quiet. *"12 divided by 4 is 3, but does that mean that 12 is 3 times greater than 4? Today's honoree did not care during the 6 years he lived with the bears. When 8, 2 days was too great to stay in summer camp heat, but winter is chill & they like to strap on 2 pieces of timber to their feet. When not skiing or biking, it is the pig skin on the grid iron they will reminisce or how their wife used 3's to add up to bliss (at State). What angle will you use to problem solve this clue?*



Michael DeClerc & Mr. Birr - 2024









SW Who's Who?

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CLICK HERE FOR A DOWNLOADABLE VERSION OF SW WHO'S WHO?

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Welcome

Meet Our New Staff!

Chris Williams

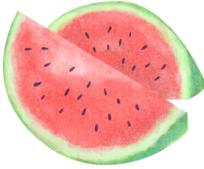
Athletic Director

Starting *July 1st*, Chris will be Southwest's new Athletic & Activities Director!

WELCOME TO THE SW FAMILY, CHRIS!



A Note From Principal Whisler...





Thank you, for a wonderful 2023-2024 school year. Congratulations to the Green Bay Southwest High School graduating Class of 2024! They "are off to Great Places!" Thank you to the retirees (shown above) for their many years in the profession, GBAPS, and Green Bay Southwest High School.

This has been a memorable year, with a lot of positives. Thank you for making Southwest High School feel like home this last school year. I am honored, and humbled, to serve as the principal of Southwest High School, and am looking forward to this for many more years to come.

Mark your calendar - On August 8th from 12:00pm - 6:00pm, GBAPS will be hosting its annual Welcome Back GBAPS Family Celebration at Joannes Park. We hope to see you there. Look for the Southwest High School booth.

Lastly, be on the lookout for our "Back to School" edition of the Trojan Times in August. All of the information that you will need to get the year started will be able to be found there.

Thank you again and have a safe and happy Summer!

Mr. Whisler

Fall Sports



Interested in joining a fall sport? Contact the Head Coach!

Click here to see a list of fall sports and contact information.

Notes from the School Nurses



Review the Summer Edition Newsletter from our school nurse by clicking here.

From Special Education...

View the GBAPS Summer Transition Newsletter to learn more about summer opportunities, review a decision making support resource, and read tips for families with a student transitioning to a new building.

View the Newsletter in English
View the Newsletter in Spanish









Summer Pass allows ALL GBAPS high school students ages 14-19 to enjoy working out for free this summer at Planet Fitness. Register HERE.









SOUTHWEST CLASS OF 1979 REUNION

When:	Saturday, July 27th; 6:00 PM - 11:00PM
Where:	The Bar of Green Bay – 2001 Holmgren Way
Activities:	Socializing, Hors d' oeuvres, Music, Beer & Soda, Cash Bar for Wine & Other
Cost:	$15 per Person
Dinner Option:	Dinner Available in the Main Bar Area (Dinner is at Your Expense)
RSVP:	By June 17th with your name, number of people and check made out to "Southwest Class of 1979" Mail to: Ron Plog; 420 Echo Hill Drive; Green Bay, WI 54302