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We build positive relationships between home and school so that all students are safe, honorable, and successful.

South High School | Salina, Kansas

# **Principal's Message**

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, our students and teachers continue to work diligently towards academic excellence. I want to extend my appreciation to all of our educators for their dedication and commitment to our students' social, emotional, and academic growth.

Finals are quickly approaching beginning Wednesday, May 15 for seniors and May 21 for grades 9-11. Additionally, we will need to collect all student Chromebooks. Reminders for computer check-in include the following:

- *Seniors* must turn in their Chromebook and cord to their ELO teacher by **May 16** or Skyward will be billed.
- ALL STUDENTS Grades 9 11 must bring their Chromebook and cord to check-in on May 22.
- Students enrolled in summer school will still need to participate in the check-in for the computer/charger to be inspected. It will then be re-issued to them for summer school at a later date.
- Remove stickers, case, and personal items.
- Obligations will be entered in Skyward.

It is an exciting time of the year for the Salina community as we graduate the Class of 2024. We are working hard to plan our Commencement Ceremony, to be held **Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 5:00 p.m**., at Tony's Pizza Event Center; 800 The Midway, Salina, KS 67401.



# **Senior Information**

Seniors will turn in their Chromebook and chargers from May 13-16 during his/her ELO class. Be sure to check with all teachers prior to check-in that all work and finals are completed.

Any senior who is an early graduate, on a flex schedule, has an internship, or does not have an ELO will need to turn in the Chromebook to the office conference room with Mrs. Potocnik from 10:30 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. May 13-16.

Any senior who does not turn in their Chromebook by 2:40 p.m. on May 16 will forfeit the opportunity to keep their Chromebook. All access will be turned off at this time.

For all seniors meeting the 2:40 p.m. May 16 check-in deadline, your Chromebook will be checked for damages and cleaned to become your personal device. You are responsible for any repairs at this time and these must be paid prior to pick-up. The Chromebook will be available for pick-up in the main office May 28 - 31 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please make arrangements to have the Chromebook picked up during these times and days.

# Any Chromebooks left in the office after 3:00 p.m. on May 31 will be returned to USD 305 inventory and the student forfeits all rights to it.

May 15 & 16: Senior finals – all work needs to be completed by 2:40 p.m. on May 16. Make sure your financial account is paid. If not, see Mrs. Work in the main office.

- May 16: Senior breakfast and banner signing in the commons 7 a.m.
- May 17: 8:00 a.m. Commencement rehearsal at Tony's Pizza Events Center

May 19: Line up at 4:30 p.m. for Commencement at 5:00 p.m.

The last day of classes for seniors who have completed their work and are in good standing with the school is May 16. Only students who have fulfilled all of the requirements for graduation as of May 16 will be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Do NOT bring your cap and gown to commencement rehearsal; however, you should have tried it on. If you need a cap and gown, or if there are any problems with yours, bring the cap and gown to practice and Mr. Heline will help you. No decorations are allowed on the caps!

Students are expected to behave in an appropriate manner at practice. All policies of USD 305 will be in effect including those covering involvement with alcohol and other drugs. Should students be in violation of the alcohol or other drug policies, they will be suspended and police and parents will be notified. Students would not be able to participate in the commencement ceremony.





**Commencement Pictures**: The Interstate Studios photographer will be taking individual pictures as students receive diplomas. Parents were e-mailed a link to order directly from Interstate Studios. Parents are also welcome to take pictures and a place will be designated. No electricity will be available for recording devices.

### **Commencement Day:**

- Parents/guests will need to enter the TPEC building through the North or South Arena entrance. Parents will not be allowed to enter through the back entrance where graduates are requested to check in.
- Balloons, tripods, and posters are not allowed due to visual and safety reasons. Silly string
  is not allowed because it adheres to and stains arena chairs. Air horns are not allowed
  because this is a formal ceremony and it is rude to other graduates and their families;
  strollers are not allowed unless medically necessary as there is no place to store or park
  them safely in the seating areas.
- Security officers will be checking all bags at each entrance.
- No outside food or drinks are allowed in Tony's Pizza Events Center and will be confiscated at security check-in.

**Transferring Your School Files?** Seniors will have access to their Google school account until June 30. All Google files seniors wish to keep will need to be transferred before this date. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Burke in the library or call 785-309-3747.

The Google Takeout is the site to use to transfer the selected files. Students can visit <u>https://takeout.google.com/transfer</u>. \_Before starting, you will need a personal email address. Next, you will enter your personal email and send a verification code. Finally, you will select the files you wish to transfer and send those files.

After Thursday, May 16, seniors are NOT to be in the school building or school parking lot for *any* reason except scheduled appointments with faculty or to pay fees in the office. <u>Seniors may not</u> <u>visit during lunch.</u>

### The faculty and staff of South High wish all seniors the best of luck!

Senior Honors Night will be held on Monday, May 6, at 6:00 p.m. in the South High Auditorium. Students and parents will receive an invitation to attend based on the information that is turned in from their Scholarship Worksheet, to be completed during their English class. If a student is not able to attend, they can pick up their packet *after May* 6 in the Student Center.

The senior honors and awards slideshow will also be posted on the Counseling Department website for parents to view.







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## May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	<u>*17</u>	18
<u>*19</u>	20	21	22	<u>23</u>	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# **Calendar of Events**

May 17 - Graduation Practice for Seniors at 8:00 AM at Tony's Pizza Events Center
May 19 - Graduation at 5:00 PM at Tony's Pizza Events Center
May 22 - Last Day of School for Students
May 23 - Last Day of School for Teachers

**Parents - The last day to make changes to your student's class selections for next year is May 22.** Course requests for the 2024 – 2025 academic year were mailed home with Quarter 3 grade cards on March 22. Please talk with your student about their requested classes and future plans. You may contact your student's grade level counselor to make any needed changes.

**Parents - Please be sure the check your student's progress and grades in Skyward** as we prepare for final semester grades. If you have concerns about a grade, please contact your student's teachers. You can find their contact information via the gradebook tab in Skyward by clicking on the teacher's name. If you are having trouble accessing Skyward, you may contact the Counseling Center at 785-309-3715 for additional help.

Dates for semester 2 Final Exams: Grade 12: May 15 and 16. Grades 9-11: May 21 and 22.

**After School Homework Help Sessions -** there will be an opportunity for students to get extra help and support completing assignments during the After School Homework Help Sessions. These will be held in the Library from 2:45-4:00 p.m. each afternoon May 6 - 21. Students must bring assignments to work on and must stay the entire session. Student will need to arrange for transportation and be picked up at 4:00 p.m.

**We still have items in the lost & found box**. If you have lost or misplaced anything, please check the Lost & Found box located in the Attendance Office. Any items left after May 22 will be discarded.





### PROGRAMS WITH GRADE LEVEL:

SALINA TECH

SUMMER ECH CAMP

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- Automotive Technology (9-12)
- Business Admin. Technology (5-8)
- Computer Aided Drafting (9-12)
- Construction (5-6)
- Dental (7-8)
- Diesel Technology (5-6)
- Electrical Technology (7-12)
- Early Childhood Education (5-6)
- Emergency Medical Science (9-12)
- Fire Science (9-12)
- Machine Tool Technology (9-12)
- Nursing (5-12)
- Welding (9-12)

### REGISTRATION **OPENS ONLINE** APRIL 17, 2024

\$40\*

GRADES 5TH - 12TH

**\*HOUSEHOLDS WITH 3 OR MORE CAMPERS ELIGIBLE FOR REDUCED REGISTRATION FEE OF \$30.00** 

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## Lunch Locations June 3 - July 2, Monday - Friday (closed June 19)

Central High	650 E. Crawford St.	11:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.
South High	730 E. Magnolia Rd.	11:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.
Cottonwood Elementary	215 S. Phillips Ave.	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.
Schilling Elementary	3121 Canterbury Dr.	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.
Sunset Elementary	1510 W. Republic Ave.	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.
Salina Fieldhouse	140 N. 5th St.	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.
Heartland Early Education	700 Jupiter Ave.	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.

### Breakfast Locations

June 3 - July 2, Monday - F	riday (closed June 19)
650 E. Crawford St	7:45 a m - 8:15 a m

Central High	050 E. Clawfold St.	7.45 a.m 0.15 a.m.
South High	730 E. Magnolia Rd.	7:45 a.m 8:15 a.m.
Cottonwood Elementary	215 S. Phillips Ave.	7:45 a.m 8:15 a.m.
Sunset Elementary	1510 W. Republic Ave.	7:45 a.m 8:15 a.m.

FREE to all children ages 1-18!

- Meals eaten on site.
- No signup, eligibility, or paperwork required.
- Adult meal cost: Breakfast \$3.00, Lunch \$5.00.
- Menus at www.usd305.com/menus

## Partners

Control High

12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Free Activities and Book Giveaways















# Recognitions

Our Teacher of the Month for April was Mrs. Jody Nutter.

Students of the Week for April were Emily Jaramillo, Emily Newman, Josten Fischer, and Megan Graff.

Cougar Pride recipients for April were Charlie Bues, Ella Baird, Mylee Hayes, Trenton Hemberger, Gabriel Mehler, Paityn Fritz, Baylee Castro, Kieragan Warhurst, Emmalina Stevens, Leo Vidales, Danny Tso, Ethan Baez, Giovanni Fajardo, Ivanna Camancho, Talia Montgomery, Dara Kinion, Makiah Couse, Makaylia Halferty, Tani Morales, and Zoe Needham.

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