



Trojan Times

Back to School
2024-2025

A monthly newsletter to families

Attendance:

920-492-2653

Main Office:

920-492-2650

Student Services:

(Counselors/
Student Records):
920-492-2652

Athletics & Activities

920-492-2734

Administration:

Principal: Mike Whisler

Associate Principal (Last Names A-L): Tori Adkins

Associate Principal (Last Names M-Z): Louisa Samples

Manager of Student Engagement: John Polkowski

Athletics & Activities Director: Chris Williams

Social Workers:

Last Names A-L: Janine Walch Blohowiak

Last Names M-Z: Anna Van Schyndel

Counselors:

Last Names A-E: Amanda Millan

Last Names F-L: Luke Felchlin

*Last Names M-R, Z: Elizabeth
Mueller*

Last Names S-Y: Ying Jing Vang

Upcoming Dates to Know...

Aug. 2: Summer School Session 2 Ends

Aug. 8: Welcome Back GBAPS

Celebration @ 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)

Aug. 27: All Students in Person

Aug. 30: No School

Sept. 2: No School - Labor Day

Sept. 20: Homecoming Football Game

Sept. 21: Homecoming Dance

Oct. 2: National Custodians Day

Oct. 4: No School

Oct. 8: Picture Retakes (lunch hours)

Oct. 24: All-Choir Concert

**NOTE: Only
cash & check
accepted**

Back to School Registration Event

Tues. Aug. 13 from 2pm-6pm

Thurs. Aug. 15 from 10am-2pm

*Pay your school fees, add money to lunch
accounts, purchase a Family Activity Pass,
planner, locks, and Student Parking Passes.*

Be sure to attend one of the dates!

**All families MUST complete their Annual
Information Update on the Parent Portal
BEFORE attending registration. See page 2
for instructions.*

2024-2025 District One-Page Calendar

[English Calendar](#)

[Spanish Calendar](#)

[Hmong Calendar](#)

[Somali Calendar](#)

**If you would like a printed
copy of this newsletter, please
contact the SW Main Office.*

Infinite Campus Parent Portal Guide

Annual Updates for Current Students



Tool	Description
Log In	Log into Campus Parent Portal using your user name and password. If you do not have a username and password, please contact the ServiceDesk at 920-448-2148 or servicedesk@gbaps.org to set up a Campus Parent Portal account. To gain access to the Parent Portal, you must provide the District with your student's birth certificate information for each enrolled student.
Annual Update	Annual Updates must be completed by the guardian of the student's primary household each school year to ensure that schools have accurate contact information for students and families. Follow the steps below. 1. Select "More" on the left hand side of the screen 2. Select "Update Contact Information" 3. Select "(Current School Year) Current Student Registration" 4. Read all instructions and select "Start" 5. Carefully review and update any information throughout the module Complete this process before your back to school event, even if no changes are needed.

[Click here for a guide to use for completing your annual updates online.](#)

WELCOME BACK GBAPS CELEBRATION



The Green Bay Area Public School District will host its 2nd annual Welcome Back GBAPS Celebration on Thursday, August 8, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Joannes Park. [Visit the District website for more information.](#)

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



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 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.

Southwest Who's Who?

Administration

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Career Center

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Southwest Who's
Who?](#)

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Meet Our New Staff!

Autumn Wright
SRO

Alejandro Schloesser
Tech Ed. Teacher

Jennifer Anderson
Student Services Clerical

Brian Fredrick
Social Studies Teacher

Kendra Rivera
Phy. Ed Teacher

Shane Harvey
Spanish Teacher

Rachel Ziegler
Agriscience Teacher

Anna Carstens
Science Teacher

Michelle Martin
DHH Interpreter

Ann Arnoldussen
DHH Interpreter

Elizabeth Mueller
Counselor

Molly O'Neil
Special Education

Monica Carpenter
DHH Interpreter

Luke Felchlin
Counselor

Silke Hunter
Math Teacher

Leah Hoffman
DHH Interpreter

Teri Christensen
Speech, Language, Pathologist

Shane McDonough
REPO Teacher

Lisa Schroeder
Youth Apprenticeship

Christine ?????
Interpreter

A Note From Principal Whisler...



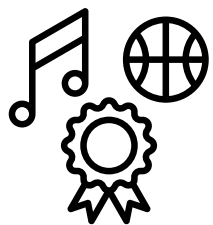
Getting Back To It!

Just the other day, I walked into one of the big department stores and I was hit with the “Back To School” posters and whole quadrants of the sales floor dedicated to school supplies, backpacks, technology, and dorm room furniture. It was only mid-July and it was extremely clear to me that the larger Green Bay area was already thinking about getting back at it and prepared for the upcoming school year.

The start of the school year brings a lot of excitement for me, and it has for years; ever since I was a little kid. I enjoyed seeing my friends on a daily basis again. I loved learning (and still do). I always appreciated the new shoes - since I always got one new pair each summer but couldn't wear them until school started. Most importantly, it was that special time when I got that big box of 64 Crayola crayons - that's right, my mom would splurge!

One other important thing that my mother always made sure to do was to start getting my brothers and me “prepared” to return to school. Now she was an educator as well, so this was, in part, to start preparing herself for the coming school year; however, now that I've had years to reflect back to this, I see that it was a very important part of my success with school.

So...I'd like to share with you some of those tips and tricks for preparing your Southwest High School Trojan for the school year. You are an important, if not the most important, resource that your student has.



[Talk to your student about which clubs, sports, or other school-related activities they want to participate in this school year.](#)

Research shows that a student who is involved in extra school activities (whether it be a sport, music group, or service club) do much better with their academics and mental health.

For information about the Sports and Activities available at Southwest High School, check this out: [Activities @ Southwest High School](#) [Athletics @ Southwest High School](#)

Set up a daily routine with your high school student.

Routines allow for a person to thrive. Routines provide a structure that helps a young person know what to expect and then deal with a smaller number of interruptions that can be overwhelming.

Maybe this routine includes self-care, dedicated homework time, a regular bedtime, or family dinners. You know what your student needs the most. Help your student set up that routine.

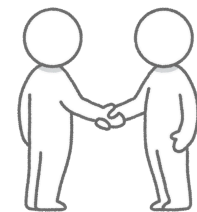


[Get to know the school and the staff that work with your student.](#)

Take the time to reach out to Southwest High School to get to know the staff that will be working with your student and you. We will reach out to you, but don't hesitate to take the first step.

Attend one of the Student Registration dates. You'll get a chance to meet staff, students, other parents/guardians, and tour the school. **Registration dates and times are:**

- **Tuesday, August 13, 2024 - 2:00pm - 6:00pm**
- **Thursday, August 15, 2024 - 10:00am - 2:00pm**



Meet your student's friends, and their friends' parents/guardians.

Peers have a lot of influence over the habits of each other. Take the time to talk with your student about his/her/their friends. Why not invite the friend's parents/guardians over to talk?

This will help to ensure that communication lines are open and help with the physical and mental well-being of your student.



A Note From Principal Whisler Continued



Discuss your student's goals for the school year.

High school is that point in time where, developmentally, students are becoming more independent, and they let that be known. However, high schoolers still need guidance and support. That is where you come in.

Share your hopes, dreams, and expectations for your student with your student. This reassures them that you are invested in their lives and education. Also, this will give you a chance to talk to them about their hopes, dreams, and expectations of and for themselves.

Set up a short-term goal with your student. It might be studying more, attending school regularly, or to get an after-school job. This will let you know how you can support your student and then provide you with conversation starters in the future.



Determine how you are going to check-in on your student's academic and social progress regularly.

Student Registration (dates above) is a great time to figure out how to monitor your student's progress in Infinite Campus. You can also update your contact information and home address. There will be staff on site to assist with all of this.

Regularly monitoring your student's progress (academic and behavioral) will help keep them accountable to meeting their (and your) goals for them.



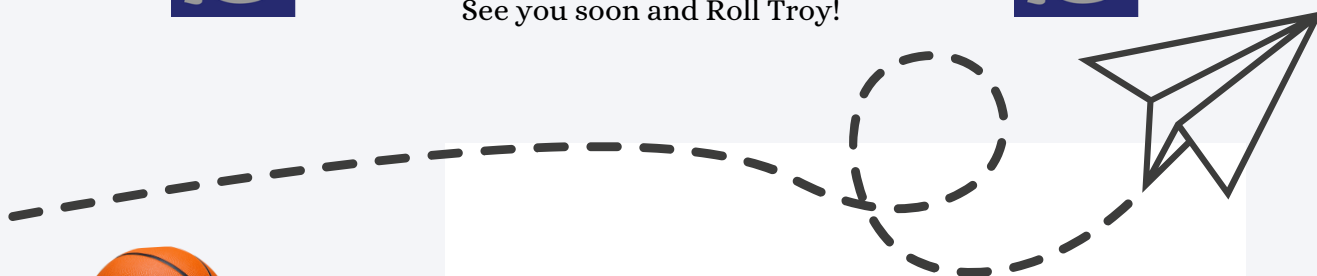
You can never be too prepared...however, know that Southwest High School staff are here to support your student, and you, through their time here. If you ever have any questions, concerns, or thoughts that you would like to share, please do not hesitate to reach out to any staff member.



As we say here at Southwest...Together We Will!



See you soon and Roll Troy!



Fall Sports

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

[Click here to see a list of fall sports and contact information.](#)

FALL SPORTS DATES

Sport	Earliest Day to Practice	Regionals	Sectionals	State
Football	August 6			November 21-22
Golf (Girls United)	August 12	October 2 & 3	October 7 & 9	October 14-15
Soccer (Boys)	August 19	October 22 & 26	Oct 31 & Nov 2	November 7-9
Tennis (Girls)	August 13	October 2-3	October 7-9	October 17-19 (Indiv.) October 25-26 (Team)
Swim (Girls United)	August 13		November 8-9	November 15-16
Volleyball	August 19	October 24 & 26	Oct 31 & Nov. 2	November 7-9
Cross Country (Girls)	August 19		October 25 & 26	November 2
Cross Country (Boys)	August 19		October 25 & 26	November 2

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES



The Green Bay School District provides a free daily planner to all incoming freshmen. We will have about 200 books to sell to the upperclassmen for \$2.00 each.

Individual classes may require further supplies or fees than those listed.

**Click here for a downloadable version of the 2024-2025 school supply list.*



ART

Sketchbook (8 1/2 x 11" or larger), pencils, and quality erasers

Digital Illustration & Photoshop Fundamentals: Flash drive, an external USB port jump drive (minimum of 2GB of storage space)

Ceramics and Sculpture 1: students should expect to pay around \$15 in supply costs during the semester.

Drawing and Painting 1&2: students should expect to pay \$5 in supply costs

AGRISCIENCE:

Notebook, writing utensil, and folder

ALT ED / INNOVATIVE LEARNING LAB:

Notebook, writing utensil, and folder

BAND AND ORCHESTRA:

Pencil, tuner, basic supplies (reeds, rosin, drumsticks), concert black apparel (button-down shirt, dress pants, socks and solid black shoes)

LANGUAGE ARTS:

Notebooks, 1 1/2" binder, pencils, pens, highlighters, and post-it notes/flags, loose-leaf paper

MATH CLASSES:

Algebra 1: Two 1" 3 ring binder, binder dividers, notebook/loose leaf paper, pencils, scientific calculator with fraction key(A b/c) such as TI-30X or TI-36X, and highlighters.

Algebra 2: Graph paper, notebook/loose leaf paper, pencils, scientific calculator with fraction key(A b/c) such as TI-30X or TI-36X, some teachers require a 3 ring binder and dividers and highlighters.

Algebra 2 for Precalculus: Folder or binder, notebook/loose leaf paper, highlighters, scientific or graphing calculator

Geometry: Graph paper, notebook /loose leaf paper, scientific calculator with fraction key(A b/c) such as TI-30X or TI-36X, straight edge & protractor, 3 ring binder

AP Precalculus: Graph paper, notebook/loose leaf paper, TI-84+CE (recommended)

AP Statistics: 3-Ring Binder, highlighters, , TI-83+, TI-83 Silver Edition, TI84+, or TI-84+ CE (Python) graphing calculator

AP Calculus: Folder or binder, highlighters, TI-84+CE (recommended)

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY:

5 inch binder and 30 packages of index cards (3x5)

NURSING ASSISTANT CLASS:

Binder, watch with a second hand, black ink pen, small pocket notebook, shoes (clean athletic shoes, tied and laced-no open toes or heels, no clogs or crocs) Expenses during the semester will be a TB test, flu shot, state exam, subtle print, age appropriate or solid scrubs, pocket hand sanitizer. *Fees are subject to change.*

PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES:

Appropriate change of clothes for daily activities (t-shirt, shorts, and socks), tennis shoes, cold weather clothing (sweatshirt and pants), swimming suit, combination lock (must be purchased through GBAPS)

SCIENCE:

Biology: notebook, folder, calculator

Physical Science: 1" three ring binder, Scientific calculator (ex: TI - 30Xa)

Physics: Pencil, ruler, highlighters, Scientific calculator.

Chemistry and Conceptual Chemistry: 1" three ring binder, Scientific Calculator

Anatomy & Physiology: 3" three-ring binder, page dividers, 3 x 5 index cards, colored pencils, small post-it notes

SOCIAL STUDIES:

1" binder, notebook, loose leaf paper, pens, pencils, highlighters, 3 x 5 cards, folder

AP US History: 3 subject notebook or 3 separate notebooks

TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING:

Woodworking: Safety Glasses, Measuring Tape. Fees will be required and are dependent on the project selected.

Welding: \$20 lab fee includes safety glasses, jacket and material for projects.

Metals: \$15 lab fee includes safety glasses, jacket and material for projects.

WORLD LANGUAGE:

ASL: Folder & notebook or loose leaf paper.

Spanish: notebook & folder or binder & loose leaf paper, highlighters, small post it notes, pens, pencils, and index cards (to make vocabulary flash cards).