# The Sussex Star

March 1, 2024

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#### Calendar



3/10 - Daylight Savings

**3/14** - BOE meeting SMS @ 6:00 p.m.

3/28 - Early Dismissal (Staff PD day)

3/28 - Marking Period 3 ends

#### **Parent Drop Off Solar Panel Lot**



The safety of our students and staff is our highest priority. If you drive your student to school, please drop off your student in the solar panel parking lot between 8:15 a.m. and 8:35 a.m. Please do not utilize the main parking lot to drop off your student during the above timeframe as it creates potentially hazardous conditions both for our students and our bus drivers.

## Walkers

All walkers at Sussex Middle School should utilize the following walking route: Newton Ave to Main St. There are crossing guards positioned at the intersection of Newton Ave and Route 23 as well as the intersection of Route 23 and Route 284.



Please have your child check the Lost & Found in the back of the cafeteria if they are missing any items (jackets, sweatshirts, water bottles, lunch boxes).

#### **Absentee Line**

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please call the absentee line at 973-875-4138 option 1 and leave the reason for your child's absence.

#### Congratulations!

Congratulations to Carlie DiCarlo who was recently selected as the Sussex Middle School Unsung Hero. Carlie will be recognized at the NJSBA Sussex County Unsung Hero Program at High Point Regional High School on March 4th.

Congratulations to Brooke Wagner who was recently selected as the Sussex Middle School Superintendent's Roundtable. Brooke will be recognized at the Sussex County Roundtable Award Ceremony in April.

# **6th Grade Vaccination Requirements**

Sixth grade students are required to have both the Tdap and Meningitis B vaccination for the start of the school year. This must be completed after their 11 year old birthday. Please forward a copy of the vaccinations to the school nurse at Sussex Middle School.

#### **Parking At SMS**



When parking in the Middle School parking lot, please utilize the parking spaces provided and adhere to New Jersey regulation 39 4-138 regarding the fire lane. Additionally, when utilizing the Parent Drop Off/Parent Pick Up lot, please be sure that the exit of the main parking lot is not blocked by vehicles so that our buses can continue to exit. Thank you for your cooperation.

As a reminder, currently the school day begins at 8:40 a.m. and ends at 3:29 p.m. Students walking to school are asked to arrive no earlier than 8:15 a.m. and are to report to the auditorium upon their arrival. Students who are dropped off by a parent/guardian should be dropped off at the doors in the solar panel parking lot on Loomis Avenue between 8:15 a.m. and 8:35 a.m. Please refrain from utilizing the main entrance parking lot to drop your child off. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our students and staff members safe.

## **Parent Portal**

The District has moved to **Realtime Notification** as its primary means of communication for school closings, emergencies and general notifications. Parents/Guardians will need to update their contact information on the parent portal. Should you have any issue logging into your parent portal account, please email the Administrative Assistants at Sussex Middle School for assistance.

#### **Community Events**

**ACME Supermarkets** is sponsoring a "Teacher of the Month" program. Anyone who wishes to vote can do so at the customer service desk.

**PTO:** Our PTO is planning their next fundraiser. On Friday, February 16th they will be holding a Father/Daughter dance at CEL from 6-8pm. They are looking for volunteers to help make the dance a success. Last year we has over 300 attend! It was such a fun night!

Sussex-Wantage Wrestling Club (SWWC) aspires to be an outstanding youth recreation wrestling organization where wrestlers learn essential wrestling skills while being provided positive and disciplined coaching that promotes good sportsmanship and character. SWWC is comprised of children living in the Sussex-Wantage Regional School sending district. All students in grades K-8 are eligible to participate. Go to our Registration Flyer (link below) for more information and the link to register. If you have questions, please reach out to <a href="mailto:swwcwildcats@gmail.com">swwcwildcats@gmail.com</a>

■ 23-24 Registration Flyer

**Softball:** Spring Recreation Softball Registration is NOW OPEN for Kindergarten to 9th grade! Registration closes 2/28. Please go to www.highpointsoftball.com to register.

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