The Sussex Star

March 5, 2021

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3/10-Early Dismissal-Staff Professional Development ***No staff office hours***

3/18-BOE Meeting @ SMS @ 7 p.m. 3/22 & 3/23-School Pictures at SMS for Cohorts A & B respectively 3/17 & 3/24-School Pictures for all district remote students will take place @ CEL School from 9 a.m. until 12 Noon

4/1-End of MP 3

4/2-4/11-Spring Break. School closed.



We are excited to announce that we now offer a new online payment system called PaySchools Central. PaySchools Central provides all parents in our district with an easy way to manage lunch and breakfast accounts. This can all be done in the convenience of your own home through easy-to-use online portal: www.payschoolscentral.com Or while on the go with a convenient mobile app. You will need to register at the link above. Additional information can be found on our school website in the department section under the food service tab or in the parent portal. If you need help along the way, please contact PaySchools Central at 1-877-393-6628 or email them at: psc help@payschools.com.

THE PRINCIPAL

We are looking forward to welcoming back our current A/B Cohort Hybrid students on Monday, March 8th. As a reminder, we will be operating on our virtual half day schedule. This schedule is located on page 3 of the newsletter for your reference. Please note that if your child is currently all remote, all remote students will not be able to return until the start of the fourth marking period.

School Pictures



School pictures for SMS are scheduled for March 22nd and 23rd. All remote students are scheduled to have their pictures taken at the Clifton E. Lawrence school on March 17th and March 24th from 9 a.m until 12 noon. Ordering instructions will be forthcoming.

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.



Our Board of Education will hold a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on **Thursday, March 18th** at Sussex Middle School in the gymnasium. *Everyone is welcome!*

Virtual Coffee &......



Virtual Coffee with the Counselor on March 10th @ 9:00 a.m. Please email Alicia Citro at acitro@swregional.org to RSVP. This is a great way to share our victories and frustrations with raising middle school students during a pandemic. Please RSVP by 3/9.



Countdown to Spring! Only 16 days to go!

Parking At SMS

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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.

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.

Community Events



<u>Sussex-Wantage Wrestling</u> Registration is now open!! Please use the SWWC registration link for registration.

www.sussex-wantage-wrestling-club.si play.com

Sussex-Wantage Little League is now open for registration for the Spring league. The cost is \$45 and you can register online at www.SWLLBaseball.com. Deadline for signups is 3/1. A \$30 late fee will be added to your registration for

Free Breakfast & Lunch



In order to ensure safe nutritious meals are available to children, the USDA has approved free breakfast and lunch for ALL children enrolled the Sussex-Wantage Regional School District for a limited time period. Beginning on Monday, March 8th in-person learners will have the option to select a grab-and-go breakfast and lunch at dismissal time. Grab and go breakfast and lunches for Full Remote students can be picked up at Sussex Middle School. Fully remote students, please complete the order form on our website swregional.org by Wednesday for pickups Wednesday the following week. Details for ordering and the pickup schedule can be viewed on our website swregional.org.

Remote Day Bell Schedule



At SMS, the schedule below will apply to all remote days moving forward.

*Remote Day Bell Schedule *No Lunch*

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
1	CAT/PE 1	1
8:40 -	8:40 -	8:40 -
9:14	9:14	9:14

Nurse's Corner



Sixth grade students are required by NJ law to have the Tdap and Menactra vaccines in order to attend school. If you have not yet done so, please forward proof of vaccination to the school nurse, Mrs. Silletti-Cayer. As a reminder, the nurse must have a current sports physical for the 2020-2021 school year on file in the health office in order for your child to participate in any extracurricular sports.

Thank you!



Thank you to all staff, students and parents/guardians for helping to keep our school safe by wearing your mask properly and social distancing.



The Sussex-Wantage PTO is pleased to offer their traditional Gertrude Hawk Chocolates fundraiser this year in a completely electronic and contactless way. The fundraiser begins now and runs through March 28. Go to: https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates

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any signups after 3/1. 3/8 is the final date for late registrations. No exceptions. Birth certificates are required for all first time registrants. For more information on coaching or volunteering, please email info@swllbaseball.com.

9:17 - 9:50	9:17 - 9:50	CAT/PE 2 9:17 - 9:50
CAT/PE 3	3	3
9:53 -	9:53 -	9:53 -
10:26	10:26	10:26
4	FOCUS 4	4
10:29 -	10:29 -	10:29 -
11:02	11:02	11:02
5	5	FOCUS 5
11:05 -	11:05 -	11:05 -
11:38	11:38	11:38
FOCUS 6	6	CAT/PE 6
11:41 -	11:41 -	11:41 -
12:14	12:14	12:14
7	CAT/PE 7	7
12:17 -	12:17 -	12:17 -
12:50	12:50	12:50
CAT/PE 8	8	8
12:53 -	12:53 -	12:53 -
1:26	1:26	1:26
1:29 - 1:59: Teacher/Student Lunch		
2:00 - 3:29: Academic Support/E nrichment	2:00 - 3:29: Academic Support/E nrichment	2:00-3:29: Academic Support/E nrichment

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Organization ID # is: 119604

For more information go to https://www.swpto.org/fundraising

8th Grade Parents



Attention 8th grade parents-- Graduation gown payments *were* due to the Sussex Middle School Main Office by Thursday, November 19, 2020. Checks or money orders in the amount of \$20.00 should be made payable to the Sussex Middle School.

Parent Portal



To access the Parent Portal, please use the following: http://fridayparentportal.com/sussexwantage. Once here, please enter the portal code, username and password. Additionally, you can access the parent portal by logging into our district website swregional.org. Once here, click on "Parents" and scroll down to Realtime Parent Portal. Enter the portal code, username and password.

