SUFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2024



HAPPY FALL!

Dear SHS Community,

I hope this message finds you well. We have completed our first month of school together and I am even more sure than ever that I have chosen a wonderful school, district, and community to have joined.





click here for all the important dates throughout the school year

10/7 = PSAT, grade 9

- **10/8 = PSAT, grade 10**
- 10/9 = **PSAT**, grade 11
- 10/10 = College & Career Fair
- 10/14 = No School (Columbus / Indigenous Peoples Day)
- 10/22 = Early Dismissal Day (Parent-Teacher Conferences)
- 10/24 = Early Dismissal Day (Parent-Teacher Conferences)



I am learning about the many programs, clubs, teams, and opportunities that students have here at Suffield High School.

I am enjoying this opportunity to lead our very good school to be an outstanding school.

I look forward to this journey in partnership!

Mr. Anthony T. Hibbert Principal





SCHEDULES & CALENDARS



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OCTOBER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY	
30 A Grade 9 elections School Picture Day	1 B Building Based Meeting	2 C Rosh Hashanah (Starts at sundown) Team Leader Mtg Financial Aid Night Virtual 6:30-8:00	3 D Rosh Hashanah PSAT set up in gym Student Senate	4 E Rosh Hashanah (Ends at sunset) PSAT set up in gym
7 A PSAT grade 9 in gym FFA Leadership 2:15-3:30pm 6:30 BOE Meeting Alumni Mtg 6:30-8:00pm	8 B PSAT grade 10 in gym Faculty Meeting	9 C PSAT grade 11 in gym Consulting Comm Mtg 6:30- 8:00 pm 6:00 Principal's Advisory Group	10 D College/Career Fair in Gym & Commons <u>Schedule</u>	11 E
14 Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples Day No School	15 B	16 C Team Leader Mtg	17 D Student Senate FFA Chapter Mtg during Wildcat Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7pm	18 E NHS Trunk or Treat 5-7pm SHS Ag Parking Lot
21 A 6:30 BOE Meeting Fall Concert 7pm	22 F 10:45 Early Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences 11:20-2:30 & 3:20-5:20 FFA @ National Convention	23 A FFA @ National Convention	24 F 10:45 Early Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences 11:20am-2:30pm FFA @ National Convention	25 A FFA @ National Convention
28 A Spirit Week FFA Leadership 2:15-3:30pm	29 B Spirit Week K-12 Team Meeting	30 C Spirit Week FFA Cram Night 2:15-6:30 Pumpkins for purpose fundraiser	31 D* Halloween * <u>Schedule</u> Spirit Week & Pep Rally Aerospace Field Trip Pumpkins for purpose fundraiser	

To access all bell schedules, click here

Daily Bell Schedule - Early Release Schedule - 2 Hour Delay Schedule





S PS Calendar, click here

Student schedules are available on the PowerSchoolPortal

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

SHS Parents,

You are invited to schedule your parent/teacher conferences for October 17,22, or 24.

All scheduling will be completed through the pick-a-time website, which will be **open from October 7th at 7:00PM** through October 15at midnight.

<u>Schedule</u>

Conferences Here:

https://pickatime.com/client? ven=11608505&event=282517

Thursday, October 17

5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Tuesday, October 22

11:20 AM to 2:30 PM 3:20 PM to 5:20 PM

Thursday, October 24

11:20 AM to 2:30 PM

<u>To Register (new users only)</u>

1.<u>Once on the pick-a-time website, enter your email address and click</u> "Login/Create Account".

2. Fill in the required fields and register.

3. For each child, enter a student ID (located on the student schedule, progress report, report card) and birthdate (mm/dd/yy).

SUFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL OLLEGE REER EX Thursday, October 10, 2024 1:00-2:10 SHS Gymnasium and Commons **120+ COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES 30+TRADE AND TRAINING PROGRAMS. MILITARY PROFESSIONALS, APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES, JOB PLACEMENT** PROFESSIONALS See your School Counselor or Mrs. Daly in **Room 213 for further details!**

SPIRITWEEK & HOMECOMING DANCE

Spirit Week and Homecoming are arriving at the end of the month! We start our Spirit Week dress up days on Thursday, October 24 and they run until our Pep Rally on Thursday, October 31 -- yes, on Halloween! Each day dress-up tallies will be counted for each class and winning classes will earn points towards the crown for Fall Spirit Class Champion! Dress-up days will include Throwback Thursday, Formal Friday, 'Merica Monday, and more! On Halloween, each class will dress in Halloween costumes in their class color!

Right now, our Spirit Squad and Class Councils are preparing for an exciting Pep Rally, and then on Saturday, November 2 will be Homecoming. Classes will be taking part in choosing a theme for Homecoming, and Spirit Squad is busy preparing for a fun Saturday night for everyone at the dance. Please note that only current SHS students in good academic standing will be able to attend the dance. Sorry, but students from other schools are not allowed to attend this dance. More info in the weeks to come -- and tickets on sale soon!

SHS SPIRIT WEEK 10/24-10/31

ALL SHS STUDENTS & STAFF ARE ENCOURAGED TO DRESS ACCORDING TO THEME:

THURSDAY 10/24	FRIDAY 10/25	MONDAY 10/28	TUESDAY 10/29	WEDNESDAY 10/30	THURSDAY 10/31	FRIDAY 11/1
Throwback Thursday	Formal Friday	'Merica Monday	Anything but a Backpack Tuesday	Western Wednesday	Class Colors Halloween Costumes	Suffield Blue & White Spirit Friday
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SENIOR PHOTOS DUE December 1st

BABY PHOTOS DUE JANUARY 3



YOUR



YEARBOOKFOREVER. COM ACCESS CODE: WILDCAT



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HELP

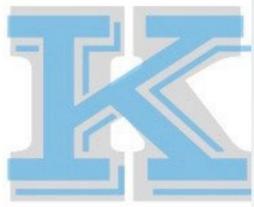




BUY A PERSONAL AD TO CELEBRATE YOUR SENIOR!







LATINX & HISPANIC BOOKS

In celebration of Latinx & Hispanic Heritage Month

(September 15- October 15), students are encouraged to check out a book by or about Latinx and Hispanic Americans.



<u>Click here</u>

to see some highlighted titles available at SHS Library.

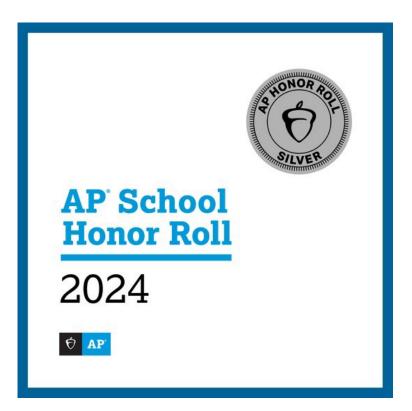
OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

The library has over 300 late library books from last year and years prior. Please help keep the library stocked with books by having your students return their late books to SHS Library. Not sure if your student has any of those books? Emails were sent to students and parents/guardians. If you have any questions, please contact Tess McCool, SHS Librarian at <u>tmccool@suffield.org</u>.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION

Suffield High School has recently been recognized as an AP Honor Roll School by the College Board.

Congratulations to all our AP students, teachers of AP courses and to all the teachers and staff who worked with our students prior to them taking their AP classes who had an important role in preparing our students for success in AP classes.



AGRISCIENCE

So many opportunities to engage and take off through Agriscience!

The Family Friends and Alumni group's next monthly meeting is on October 7th from 6:30 to 8 pm in 508A. Everyone can attend. A google meet option is available and the link is posted on the Suffield High School page on the Agriscience web page tab on the Barn. Every meeting starts with an update

by FFA officers about activities that have occurred and are planned followed by a program update by the agriscience director and there is always time to ask questions. The rest of the meeting time is devoted to planning upcoming events and may provide work time for specific upcoming events.

Career Development Events (CDE's)



Suffield Regional FFA offers a wide variety of Career Development Events (CDE's). Our program offers CDE's year-round! All these CDE's allow you to advance to district, state, and national levels of competition for which you can receive significant recognition and accomplishments while advancing your area of interests and get experience for a specific career path. Upon completion of a CDE event you will receive a participation certificate and a pin for your jacket! You could receive more if you win any competitions!

Teams are encouraged to attend the following full practices

October 16th 2:15 - 3:30 CRAM NIGHT October 30th 2:15 - 5:00 pm COMPETITION At Uconn November 1st

Additional practice may occur during Wildcat, as arranged by the coach and the team Competitions Include : Nursery landscape, Floriculture, Forestry, Meats, Horse Judging, Livestock Judging, Poultry, and Dairy Foods evaluation.



October 28th - 31st Pumpkins for Purpose

Each year the Floral Design class and the community service committee join to make floral pumpkin arrangements and sell them for a designated charity. The committee will decide the charity as part of the committee work. There will be an opportunity for students to stay after school to make the arrangements. The order form will be available through the Suffield High School web page for a VERY limited time. Pumpkins will be available for pick up during parent conferences this year! The cost for the pumpkins will be \$30.00

AGRISCIENCE

October 22nd- October 25th National Convention

Seven students will be attending the 97th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis Indiana from October 22nd through the 25th. Tenth grade student Jack Tautic was selected from over 100 applications to represent Connecticut in the National FFA Talent competition. Jack will have the opportunity to play his guitar and sing in front of over



60,000 students in attendance. Two recent graduates, Henry Butler and Joanna Beaudry will be awarded their American FFA Degree, highest degree a student can earn in the FFA



BIG E

4th Place in Landscape Design Competition

151 students and 35 parent/guardian chaperones participated in school day field trips to the Big E to tour agriculture exhibits and work the Agriculture Farma rama. We are thankful for volunteers who chaperoned the trip so that trips like this are possible!

One stop communication center is found on the Suffield High School Webpage. Look under the Agriscience tab for the link to The BARN



RESOURCES



Ag I students harvest sunflowers raised on the AG Extension Property

CLASS DUES, CLASS COUNCIL & SENIOR PRIVILEGE INFO

Class Dues Info:

All SHS Students are required to pay class dues annually. Class dues cover the cost of Senior Outing, Senior Yearbook, Caps and Gowns, Class Gift, Yearbook Picnic Lunch, Graduation Rehearsal Lunch and they help reduce the cost of Prom and Senior Banquet tickets. Dues can be paid using the links below or bring cash or check (payable to SHS) to your Class Advisor. Remember to include the student's name with payment.

Class of 2025

Class of 2026



Class Advisors: Mrs. Dalv & Mrs. Shea **Senior Privileges Information & Form Class of 2025 Dues Payment Link**

Class Advisors: Miss Blais & Mrs. Schrager

Class of 2026 Dues Payment Link

Class of 2027 Class Advisors: Mrs. Candia-Bovi & Mrs. Tierney **Class of 2027 Dues Payment Link**

Class of 2028 Class Advisors: Mrs. Deming & Mr. Harfenist **Class of 2028 Dues Payment Link**



2024-2025 Class Council Info, Click Here

Congratulations to the newly elected **Class of 2028**,

Class Officers & Class Council

Class of 2028 President: Lana Millette-Fanous Vice-President: Payten Benito Secretary: Emily Eisenhaure **Historian: Cullen Hill** Council: Taylor Abbiati, Anthony DeLucco, Samantha Hinkle, Allie Kaleta, Ella Kettles, Michaela Quandt, Lily Van Cott, Mia Zordani

Advisors: Mrs. Deming & Mr. Harfenist

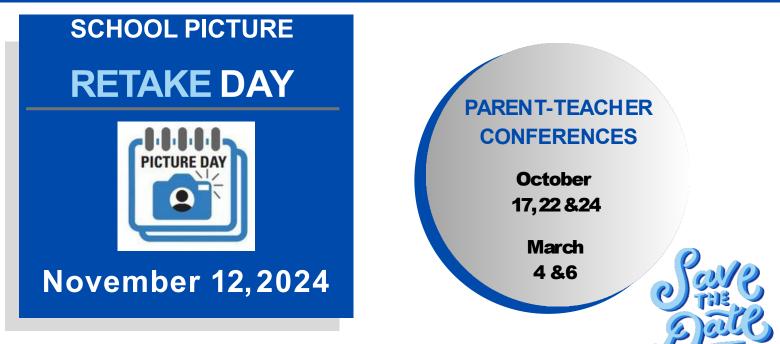
PRINCIPAL'S ADVISORY GROUPS



Oct. 9 6:00-7:00pm = Students Nov. 6 **Dec.** 4 7:00-8:00pm =Parents Jan.8 **Feb. 5**

- in the SHS Library Media Center(LMC)
 - Mar.5
- Apr. 2 **Principal's Student & Parent Advisory Group Information** May 7

SAVE THE DATE



Picture Day Order Form, clickhere

EARLY RELEASE DAYS (10:45 AM DISMISSAL)

- 10/22 = Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 10/24 = Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 11/12 = Professional Development
- 11/27 = Thanksgiving Break Begins
- 12/10 = Professional Development

- 1/17 = Professional Development
- 1/21-24 = Midterm Exams
- 3/4 = Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 3/6 = Parent-Teacher Conferences
- **TBA = Final Exams**



SUFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL FALL CONCERT Performances by-

Concert Choir- Jazz Ensemble- Symphonic Band- Percussion Ensemble

October 21, 7:00 p.m. Suffield High School Auditorium

1060 Sheldon Street, West Suffield



Free Admission



Suffield Community Services

OPEN

Thursday, AT THE SUFFIELD Oct. 17

AND COFFEE HOUSE NIGHT

doors open at 5:45 pM

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LOCAL TALENT-SINGERS, POETS, MAGICIANS AND ARTIST OF ALL KIND!

Free For All Performers and Guests for more information & To Reigister visit Suffieldrec.com or call 860-668-3862

Aselection of coffee, tea, cocca and specialty/gourmet desserts will be available.

ATTENDANCE

To report an absence:

call the attendance line: (860) 668-3810 before the start of the school day

To report an earlydismissal/pick-up:

, student must hand a parent-signed note to the main office before the start of the school day

Students and parents should monitor Google Classroom for missed assignments and reach out to the classroom teacher with additional instruction questions/concerns.

TECHNOLOGY

- + PowerSchool
- + SchoolMessenger
- + MySchoolbucks
- + Chromebook/iPad
- + Emergency Broadband Benefit Program
- + Student iPhone Setup
- + Communications

Technology Tools

Tech Support for Student Chromebooks

RESOURCES & COMMUNICATION

Suffield High Schoolwebsite:

https://shs.suffield.org/

for continuous updates and information

SHS Student Warehouse Site: Click Here

- internal website for student resources, information & common forms
- bookmark this site for reference throughout the year

Subscribe here to receive District,

Board of Education and school communication.





