

SM SOUTH

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UNDER ARMOUR

Values

We care about ALL students.

Beliefs

We believe ALL students can and will learn.

Vision

All means ALL! Personalized Learning for ALL students.

Hard-Hat Hero

Staff member of the week

Brittany Ditton



Tweet of the Week!



SM South Volleyball @SMSouthRaiderVB · 2d ...
 After going undefeated all day, Lady Raiders take home 1st place from the Atchinson Tournament



Follow Dr. Dain on
 X: @SMSouthTDain
 Instagram: SMSouthTDain

Brittany Ditton serves as our Instructional Coach at South and was nominated by her colleagues: "Mrs. Ditton has been a wonderful addition to our team here at South. She has stepped into a new role, in a new district, in a new town and has excelled. She has brought a fresh perspective to our team and is working hard to support teachers. Her focus is always on students and how she can support student learning in her role. Brittany is always a helping hand too. She is constantly looking for ways to help and serve in her role. Thank you for all your hard work! We appreciate you!"

Email Dr. Dain to nominate a South staff member for the Hard Hat Hero Award

SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH CALENDAR

OCTOBER 21 Traditional Schedule	OCTOBER 22 Even Block	OCTOBER 23 Odd Block	OCTOBER 24 LATE START Even Block	OCTOBER 25 Odd Block
OCTOBER 28 Odd Block	OCTOBER 29 Even Block	OCTOBER 30 Odd Block	OCTOBER 31 LATE START Even Block	NOVEMBER 1 NO SCHOOL Professional learning
NOVEMBER 4 Traditional Schedule	NOVEMBER 5 Even Block	NOVEMBER 6 Odd Block	NOVEMBER 7 LATE START Even Block	NOVEMBER 8 Odd Block
NOVEMBER 11 Traditional Schedule	NOVEMBER 12 Even Block	NOVEMBER 13 Odd Block	NOVEMBER 14 LATE START Even Block	NOVEMBER 15 Odd Block
NOVEMBER 18 Traditional Schedule 7:00pm PTSA Meeting	NOVEMBER 19 Even Block	NOVEMBER 20 Odd Block	NOVEMBER 21 LATE START Even Block	NOVEMBER 22 Odd Block
NOVEMBER 25 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break	NOVEMBER 26 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break	NOVEMBER 27 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break	NOVEMBER 28 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break	NOVEMBER 29 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break
DECEMBER 2 Traditional Schedule	DECEMBER 3 Even Block	DECEMBER 4 Odd Block	DECEMBER 5 LATE START Even Block	DECEMBER 6 Odd Block
DECEMBER 9 Traditional Schedule	DECEMBER 10 Even Block	DECEMBER 11 Odd Block	DECEMBER 12 LATE START Even Block	DECEMBER 13 Odd Block
DECEMBER 16 Odd Block	DECEMBER 17 Even Block	DECEMBER 18 Odd Block Final Exams - 1 & 3	DECEMBER 19 LATE START Even Block Final Exams - 2, 4 & 6	DECEMBER 20 Odd Block Final Exams 5 & 7 1:10 dismissal
DECEMBER 23 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	DECEMBER 24 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	DECEMBER 25 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	DECEMBER 26 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	DECEMBER 27 NO SCHOOL Winter Break
DECEMBER 30 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	DECEMBER 31 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	JANUARY 1 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	JANUARY 2 NO SCHOOL Winter Break	JANUARY 3 NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day

Health Office Update

October 2024



Immunization Deadline October 16th

Raiders~ Anyone turning 16, you need your State Required 2nd Meningitis ACWY Vaccine. Are you missing your Hep A also? Look at the JCHD Vaccine clinic coming up on October 11th. (which by the way, is a no School Day) Once you get them, send it to soyork@smsd.org



SMSD policy~~ students are not allowed to keep any medication with them, all medications are to be given through the health office. We have Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Zyrtec and more. Make sure you have filled out the OTC (over the counter form). This will not include emergency medications that the student is allowed to keep with them; epi pens and inhalers.

Parents~If your student has texted you to go home, please call attendance 993-7546. Do not send your student to the health office to be called out. We will call you if your student is sick and needs to go home.



Angie York - SM South Nurse
913.993.7516
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Raiders! - Nominate your Peers

[Click HERE to Nominate for Student of the Week](#)

Valentina Davila & Yarely Naranjo
recognized **Madisyn Johnson**
with the KINDNESS CHAIN as our
Student of the Week!



RAIDER REPORT

PRESENTED BY K S M S

click here to watch:

Raider Report 6: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UmshtqdYZyA>





Follow @counselingSMS on twitter
Facebook 'Shawnee Mission South Counseling'

Please see below to find your counselor's name.

<u>Your Last Name</u>	<u>Your Counselor's Name</u>
A-C & ELL	Nichole Dosland
D-I	Chris Shelby
J-O	Jasmine Morgan
P-T	Jennifer Herrmann
U-Z	Traci Johnson

- The ACT WorkKeys will be offered on November 5th. This exam is a good exam for those students who may go straight into the workforce after high school. [Click here to read more about ACT WorkKeys](#) The student must register from their SMSD account by 10/11. [Click here](#)
- In need of some help?- Visit [Johnson County Mental Health Center](#) and [Johnson County Family Resources](#) for family/adolescent support.
- Recursos en Español- [El Centro](#) [JoCo Salud Mental- se habla Español.](#)

If you or someone you know is feeling unsafe or having thoughts of harming themselves or others, please utilize these resources:

Call 988/911/Go to an Emergency Room
 Call the National Suicide Prevention Hotline at 1-800-273-8255
 Text HOME to 741741 to connect with a Crisis Counselor

STAHR

Students Training in Academia, Health, & Research

SATURDAY ACADEMY 2024-2025 APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN!



About

High school students in the greater Kansas City Area interested in healthcare can apply to:

- Explore healthcare careers
- Prepare for college
- Receive tips and strategies for academics
- Gain personal and professional development

Participants will meet 9am-12pm on Saturdays at UMKC's Health Sciences Campus.

Dates

Saturday Academy will occur on the following dates:

- October 12, 2024
- October 26, 2024
- November 9, 2024
- November 23, 2024
- December 7, 2024
- January 11, 2025
- January 25, 2025
- February 8, 2025
- February 22, 2025
- March 8, 2025

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Complete online application
- ✓ Submit copy of your grade history/transcript
- ✓ Recommendation form from a teacher/counselor/professional
- ✓ Submit a Parent Consent Form

Learn More &
Apply Here by
Friday, September
27th @ 11:59pm



<https://med.umkc.edu/saturday-academy/>

Contact Us: ☎ 816-235-6169

✉ stahr@umkc.edu

🌐 info.umkc.edu/stahr/

Occupation Spotlight: High Demand – High Wage Careers



\$14.24 Entry Level Wage	0.8% Average Annual Growth	MODERATE-TERM on-the-job training
\$27.83 Experienced Level Wage	189 Annual Openings	NO Work Experience

Dispatchers, Except Police, Fire, & Ambulance

Also called: City Dispatcher, Taxi Dispatcher, Train Dispatcher

Schedule and dispatch workers, work crews, equipment, or service vehicles for conveyance of materials, freight, or passengers, or for normal installation, service, or emergency repairs rendered outside the place of business. Duties may include using radio, telephone, or computer to transmit assignments and compiling statistics and reports on work progress.

Knowledge

Safety and Government

- public safety and security

Business

- customer service
- management

Transportation

- movement of people or goods by air, rail, sea, or road

Arts & Humanities

- English language

Skills

Basic Skills

- listening to others, not interrupting, and asking good questions
- talking to others

Problem Solving

- noticing a problem and figuring out the best way to solve it

Social

- looking for ways to help people
- changing what is done based on other people's actions

Abilities

Verbal

- communicate by speaking
- listen and understand what people say

Ideas & Logic

- notice when problems happen
- use rules to solve problems

Attention

- pay attention to something without being distracted

Technology

You might use software like this:

Enterprise Resource Planning ERP

- Microsoft Dynamics
- SAP software

Presentation

- Microsoft PowerPoint

Mobile Location Based Services

- Global positioning system GPS software
- Situation resource tracking software

EVERY. DAY. COUNTS!!!



Your Attendance Matters!

District Attendance Specialist

Hello! My name is Memo Rodriguez and I am the Shawnee Mission School District Attendance Specialist for the South high school feeder area. I am here mainly to provide follow-up monitoring of students identified as needing support for chronic absenteeism, but other functions I perform are:

- I serve as a liaison between students, families, and school teams to facilitate positive student attendance.
- I cooperate with representatives from social services and law enforcement agencies in cases of mutual interests.
- I manage all associated paperwork, arrange for educational facilitators, connect families with needed community resources.
- I communicate and work effectively and cooperatively with members of the school district and community to promote student attendance.
- I work effectively with chronically absent as well as truant students and their families.
- I connect families struggling with attendance with appropriate school and community resources.

My hours at South high school are Monday through Friday 7 A.M. to 12 P.M.

Indian Woods middle school hours are Monday through Friday 12:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

If you have any questions regarding phone calls or emails received by me, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you,

Memo Rodriguez

District Attendance Specialist

Shawnee Mission South High School

Indian Woods Middle School

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Attendance Incentive

SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH

J'S FOR DAYS

PERFECT ATTENDANCE



2 STUDENTS EACH SEMESTER PICK OUT THEIR OWN JORDANS

PTSA Meets Mondays at 7:00pm in the Library

November 18

January 6

Febraury 3

March 3

April 7

English link <https://form.jotform.com/242038408631149>

Spanish link <https://form.jotform.com/242039139588162>



**SOUTH
PTSA**

**JOIN
NOW**

SOUTH PTSA BENEFITS -
TEACHER APPRECIATION -
KIDFEST - SCHOLARSHIPS -
RAIDER RALLY - SENIOR
BREAKFAST & SO MUCH
MORE!

Raiders





NATIONAL PTA
REFLECTIONS

2024-2025
**CALL FOR
ENTRIES!**

Accepting Imperfection

Explore the arts and express yourself!



DANCE
CHOREOGRAPHY



FILM
PRODUCTION



LITERATURE



MUSIC
COMPOSITION



PHOTOGRAPHY



VISUAL ARTS

Get involved!

Deadline for Entries:

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

For Details:

<https://smsouth.smsd.org/families/ptsa>

TIPS FOR:

REFLECTING ON LEARNING @ HOME

As the end of the quarter approaches, it's a great time to reflect on a student's learning progress in their classes. This can include what they are learning, what skills they have gained, and what organizational strategies are working (or not working).

Questions to Ask for Reflection:

- What are you learning in this class?
- What are your strengths in this class?
- What is currently challenging you?
- How are you keeping track of your assignments?
- How comfortable are you asking your teacher for help?
- How can you use seminar to get help in this class?
- What are your goals for the end of the semester?

How to Set Up Pairing Codes for Canvas



While most teachers are syncing grades nightly from Canvas to Skyward, be sure to check grades on **Canvas** for the most up-to-date information.

Tasks for Canvas

Students can add this Google Chrome Extension to see all of their tasks for classes in Canvas. The progress circle and list will be added to Canvas (so they don't have to click on something else!)

Add it by searching for "Tasks for Canvas" in the Chrome Web Store.



SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH FOUNDATION

12th Annual Golf Classic

Monday, October 21st

FALCON  RIDGE

FALCON
RIDGE
GOLF CLUB

Register on our South Foundation website

<https://shawneemissionsouthfoundation.org/golf-tournament/>

You can help us by passing this date on to others and forming your team

Nothing Greater than a Raider!



“Green & Gold of Raiders Bold”



Shawnee Mission South Foundation



The Shawnee Mission South Foundation supports students through scholarships, teachers through grants, and the school community through facility projects.

RESERVED PARKING SPOT IN JUNIOR/SENIOR LOT DURING SCHOOL & AT EVENTS

BIDDING INFO

SUGGESTED MINIMUM BID \$500
5 SPOTS AVAILABLE

BID HERE



RESERVED STADIUM SUITE FOR A HOME FOOTBALL GAME (SEPT 27)

BIDDING INFO

SUGGESTED MINIMUM BID \$200
10 TICKETS INCLUDED

BID HERE



THE DEADLINE FOR BIDS IS FRI 30 AUG

MAKE A DONATION TO THE SOUTH FOUNDATION

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SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE SOUTH FOUNDATION

DONATE HERE



Join Us at The SMSF 12th Annual Golf Classic

Monday, October 21

See Our Website for Full Info

12:00 pm Shotgun Start
Falcon Ridge Golf Club

www.shawneemissionsouthfoundation.org



2025 SENIOR TRIBUTES SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH HERITAGE

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TRIBUTE DEADLINES

October 18 and December 6 are the two senior tribute deadlines. Payment is due by the deadline date to be accepted for pricing. Pictures and message for all tributes are due at the time of purchase, and no later than December 6.

Tribute prices go up following the early bird deadline, so turning in tribute information early is highly suggested.

TRIBUTE PRICES

Tribute prices listed on the second page reflect a 3.5% service charge for online purchases.

DEAR PARENTS,

Do you want to give your child recognition in an award-winning yearbook? If so, purchasing a senior tribute is a great way to show them how much you care about them. This is a wonderful way to share your own words, pictures and memories with your senior. A senior tribute is also a great parting gift for your senior, and a great way to support Shawnee Mission South's yearbook, Heritage. Students enjoy seeing these messages, words of encouragement, and funny and sentimental photos from their parents, grandparents and other loved ones.

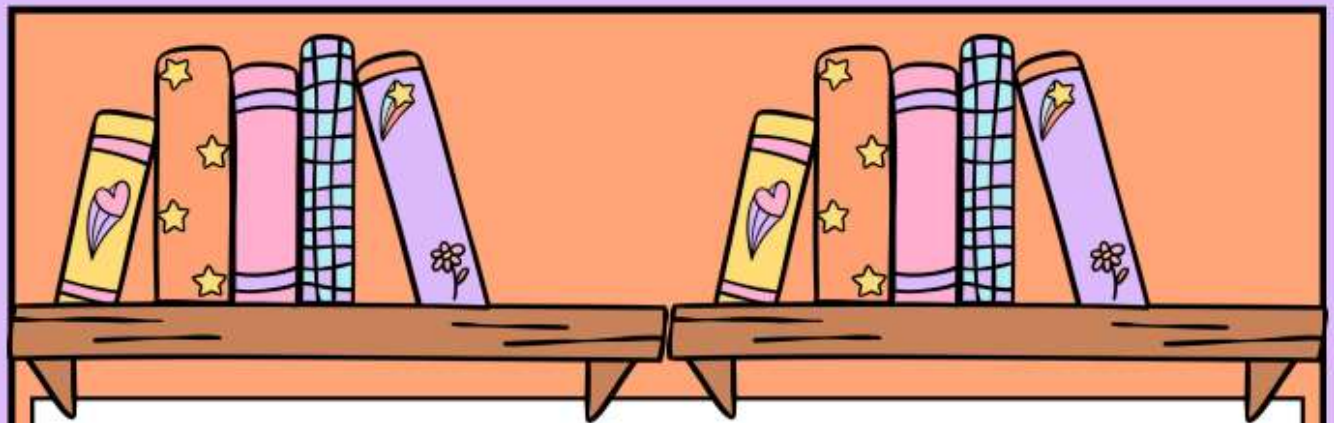
GUIDELINES

- Tributes are not considered as meeting deadline until payment is received.
- **All tribute content (words, photos) must be submitted at time of purchase.**
- Please choose photos of GOOD & HIGH quality. Please stay within the max photo limit for the tribute size chosen.
- Photos should be uploaded to the Walsworth ad portal, accessible after purchasing your tribute.
- Physical photos may be scanned in at South; please contact us to confirm scanning.
- Heritage is not responsible for any lost or damaged photos.
- We cannot accept photos of children without clothing.
- We cannot accept photos that have any sort of weapon related paraphernalia.
- Because of copyright, you must secure permission for one time use in Heritage, for any photos taken by a professional.
- We cannot accept any song lyrics or poetry that you have not secured the copyright for.
- Heritage already has permission to use photos taken by Inter-State studios.
- If you do not want part of a photo to appear in your child's ad, or have other special instructions, please share a note detailing the requests via email to smsyearbookads@gmail.com.
- Heritage reserves the right to edit for content.
- A digital proof of your ad will be sent to the email address provided on the ad contract. Please contact T. Love or the Tributes Manager if a proof has not been sent by January 31, 2025.
- You will be given one week from the date your proof is sent to provide feedback and request changes. After that period, all tributes will be considered final.
- If you have any questions, please contact the senior tribute editors at smsyearbookads@gmail.com or T. Love at tuckerlove152@smsd.org

HOW TO PURCHASE

To purchase your senior tribute, please follow these instructions:

- Go to www.yearbookforever.com
- Search for Shawnee Mission South High School in the search bar.
- Select our school to navigate to the Walsworth SMS yearbook store.
- Click "Get Started" in the Create a Senior ad box.
- Provide the requested student information and buyer information to begin the purchase. Click "next" when ready.
- Click "Have the school design my ad".
- Select the tribute size you wish to purchase and click "next".
- Select color as your ad option and then click "continue".
- At this point you will be prompted to add senior tribute copy. In the "headline" box, please type your students name. In the "body" box, please provide the message you wish to have in your senior tribute.
- Click "next".
- You will be prompted to upload your photos. If you don't want photos in your tribute OR plan to bring in physical photos for scanning, please click on that option in the upper right hand corner of the screen.
- Click "next" to get to your shopping cart. You may continue shopping at this point or you can checkout.
- There is a 3.5% service fee on every senior tribute purchase
- Complete the purchase by checking out using your credit card information.



OUR LENDING LIBRARY

- SMS STUCO has created a shared resource library for all SMS clubs and teams to use when hosting banquets/ events. Think linens, decor, and more!
- This is putting your student activity fees to work for the SMS community



QR code for the Resource Library Form

Want to learn more? Check out our infomercial!

[LINK TO RESOURCE LIBRARY FORM](#)

If you have any further questions please contact:
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3089772@smsd.org

Link to ROCKY'S RUNDOWN:

<https://view.gogipper.com/page/1924766>



[TICKETS](#)

[SCHEDULE](#)

[WEBSITE](#)



ROCKY'S RUNDOWN

August 2024

Welcome to the first edition of "Rocky's Rundown", your monthly newsletter for all-things happening in Shawnee Mission South Athletics. We will share the highlights and happenings each month with you on all the great things at South. Plus, we will highlight our athletes, our coaches, and our teams accomplishments each month.

It's Sign-Up Time!

FOR SHAWNEE MISSION
SOUTH'S 2024 TRUNK OR
TREAT ON OCTOBER 30
FROM 6-8PM. BOOSTERS,
COACHES, SPONSORS, OR
STUDENT LEADERS, SIGN
UP YOUR GROUP. EVENT
BENEFITS THE
JOHNSON COUNTY
CHRISTMAS BUREAU.



Email Anna Dziadosz,
project team lead at
3096923@smsd.org with
questions.

SM South Athletics & Activities Calendar October 21-26, 2024

Access all SM South athletics and activity event calendar with real-time updates at www.sunflowerleague.org

Monday, October 21, 2024 – Traditional 7 – Period Day

TBD	Golf: Girls Varsity State	vs. TBA @ Hutchinson - Carey Park
5:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Dig Pink Night	@ Shawnee Mission Northwest High School
6:00pm	Football: JV Game	vs. Shawnee Mission-North @ Shawnee Mission South High School
6:00pm	Soccer: Boys Gold Game	vs. Mill Valley @ Mill Valley

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 – BLOCKS 2 –Advisory–4 –6

5:00pm	Soccer: Boys JV Game	vs. Mill Valley @ Mill Valley MVHS Turf Soccer Stadium
6:00pm	Spanish Honors Society	Library
7:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Mill Valley @ Mill Valley MVHS Turf Soccer Stadium

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 – BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

TBD	Soccer: Boys Gold Game	vs. Lawrence Free State @ Lawrence Free State
3:30pm	Unified Bowling: Varsity Meet	vs. @ Park Lanes
7:00pm	Theatre – SIX	Auditorium

Thursday, October 24, 2024 – (Late Start) BLOCKS 2 –Advisory–4 –6

5:00pm	Middle School Wrestling	Auxiliary Gym
5:00pm	Soccer: Boys JV Game	vs. Lawrence Free State @ Lawrence Free State
7:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Lawrence Free State @ Lawrence Free State
7:00pm	Theatre – SIX	Auditorium

Friday, October 25, 2024 – BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

7:00pm	Football: Varsity Game	vs. Shawnee Mission-Northwest @ SM South Stadium
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Saturday, October 26, 2024

Girls 9:35; Boys 10:45	Cross Country: Varsity Regional	@ Johnson County Community College
TBD	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Sub-State	@ Shawnee Mission Northwest High School
2:00pm	Theatre – SIX	Auditorium
7:00pm	Theatre – SIX	Auditorium

