



Dear SFIS Family,

We're in November already! We welcome back our students from the Fall Break. We hope that it felt like it was a time of healing and family reconnection. With the Residential Count Week finished, we want to offer our gratitude to our families that promptly turned in their documentation for their student(s) being out. We thank you for helping us make sure that SFIS continues to receive financial support long-term.

An important reminder, the Friday academic class schedule for November, allows for an early release for students at 2:00pm. On those days the available Rail Runner times are 2:52pm and the 4:20pm southbound train departures. Please call your students SLA or RA each week by Thursday, to authorize your student(s) to ride the Friday train home. Additionally, Thanksgiving Break starts Wednesday, November 27th, with the dorms closing at 6pm. That day is an Early Release Day and the two Rail Runner times will be available. The dorms will reopen after the break on Sunday, December 1st at 4pm. The train will be available as a means to return to campus from the break.

Parents please remember that SFIS does not control the Rail Runner schedule, it is part of New Mexico's public transportation service, think like the Santa Fe City Bus. On that point, in respect to the public, we ask that parents do not send back your students on the Rail Runner with an excessive amount of "extra luggage," specifically cases of snacks/drinks. It takes up space on the train, sometimes taking up train seats, and other spaces needed for safety measures. This also means that our school bus has to make multiple trips to and from the train station because the extra snacks take up bus seats. With fewer seats for the students to come back on, they are left in the cold and dark weather waiting for the bus to return on a second run. If your student is coming back with loads of snacks, please bring them back in-person. The Sunday pick-up is for train #710, which arrives at the Santa Fe stop named South Capital at 7:50pm. All SFIS dorm students are required to ride the bus back to campus for safety reasons.

Santa Fe in November is cold. We ask, because we see concerns every year, that you remind your students to dress appropriately to the weather. We know Crocs are the most popular shoe on the planet, but with the snow comes extremely cold feet and shoes with holes in them may not work best on those snow-packed days. We may ask your students to change to more weather-ready wear before they leave the dorm and contrary to popular belief, no, this is not done to "cramp your student's sense of style." Just like you, we don't want them to get sick.

This newsletter is HSSL's way of having more communication with our Parents and Guardians each year. We have included the October Activity Calendar, which has everything going on at High School Student Living. Martina Valdo, MSSL Coordinator, will send a newsletter and calendar on behalf of Middle School Student Living, if it has not arrived already by this letter's publication.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact any of our Student Living Staff, including myself. I can be reached at my office number (505) 216-7307, my cell phone number (505) 490-5990, or via email at (ltromero@sfis.k12.nm.us).

Sincerely,
Leslie Romero
Student Living Director



STUDENT LIVING FLOOR CELL PHONES

NOTICE:

Student Living has received cell phones for emergency communication to the floors. Be aware, these cell phones are not in the sole "ownership" of the SLAs, they are cell phones meant for the whole floor, mainly for emergency-type purposes. Please do not be afraid to call these numbers, but be aware that it may take time if you are looking for a specific staff member to speak to. As a courtesy we would request that parents please clarify who the message is for whenever you text or when leaving a voicemail. These phones are not "manned" from 8AM-1PM Mon.-Thurs. Student Living Leadership's cell phones are always on-hand.

Middle School Student Living	
MSSL Boys	(505) 372-9724
MSSL Girls	(505) 372-9725
High School Student Living	
HSSL 1st A-Wing (Girls)	(505) 396-1391
HSSL 2nd A-Wing (Girls)	(505) 396-1396
HSSL 3rd A-Wing (Girls)	(505) 396-1374
HSSL Pod C (Girls)	(505) 396-1387
HSSL 1st B-Wing (Boys)	(505) 396-1389
HSSL 2nd B-Wing (Boys)	(505) 396-1382
HSSL 3rd B-Wing (Boys)	(505) 396-1394
Student Living Leadership	
Leslie Romero, Student Living Director	(505) 490-5990
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