

THE PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

South Woods Middle School Late March Updates

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are so excited to welcome spring with lots of fun, enriching, and exciting activities wrapped around some other required tasks, such as New York State Assessments.

Here are some key reminders and lots of links with ways to get involved and support students and programs at South Woods. Please read the bullets below carefully, and as always, never hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.

NYS ELA Assessment Reminder

As a reminder, the NYS ELA Assessment will be administered **Tuesday**, **April 8th and Wednesday**, **April 9th between 8:00 - 10:20 a.m.** to all grades .

- Please make sure your child has a good night's sleep, eats a healthy breakfast, and comes prepared with pens and sharpened pencils. Cell phones and all electronic devices, including AirPods and smart watches, are PROHIBITED in all testing locations.
- Students may not consume outside food or drink in any location during testing or bring outside food to class if arriving late. This includes students NOT testing.
- Students arriving late to school on test days will check in at the main lobby. Please keep in mind that many students will be arriving so give your child plenty of time to make it to period 1, which will begin at 10:25 a.m.

South Woods Musical



"ANNIE Jr."

Come see "Annie" **Friday, March 28th, 7:30 PM** and **Saturday, March 29th, 12:00 PM**. We look forward to an outstanding Drama
Club production! Tickets can be purchased at the door.
\$5.00 for Syosset students and \$10.00 for general admission.



PARENT COFFEE CLUB

Please join us for a virtual Parent Coffee Club parent workshop on **Thursday, April 3rd at 10:00 a.m.** We will discuss the effects of screen time and gaming addiction as we reveiw Dr. Nicholas Kardaras' book "Glow Kids." Please see the **flyer** for details.

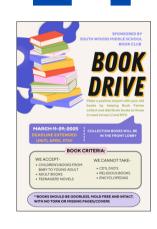
BOOK CLUB DONATION

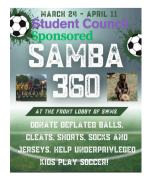
Please support the Book Club by bringing in new or gently used books from infant to adult, cd's, and dvd's.

Donations may be dropped off in the main lobby until

Friday, April 11th. All items will be donated to Book Fairies.

Please see the flyer for details.





EQUIPMENT DONATION

Please support the Student Council by bringing in new or gently used soccer apparel or equipment to help underprivileged children play soccer. Donations may be dropped off in the main lobby until **Friday, April 11**th. All items will be donated to Samba 360. Please see the **flyer** for details.



Spirit Day:

• Friday, April 4th, Wear any shirt from a college, university, trade school, etc.

Moving Up!

Eighth grade families: Save the date! The 2025 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony will be held at the Tilles Center on the campus of LIU Post on **Monday**, **June 16**, **2025 at 7:00 PM**. More details will be communicated shortly.





PTSA HAPPENINGS:

Please see the South Woods PTSA Information link on our school website for more information about all of the amazing activities sponsored by our PTSA:



- It's never too late to become a member! Membership is the primary source of funding for the enriching opportunities provided to our students. We are always grateful to the PTSA for their support!
- Entries are being accepted for the <u>Celebration of Culture</u> sponsored by The Syosset Council of PTA's Cultural Unity Committee. We encourage all students to share their creativity! Please see the flyer for details.





 Help send our 8th graders off in style! <u>Donate here</u> towards the South Woods Class of 2025 Crowd-Funding Campaign to provide an unforgettable endof-year celebration.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Lost & Found

The Lost and Found has grown in leaps and bounds over the last few months with jackets, sweatshirts, water bottles, and items of significant value such as watches and jewelry, etc. The SW cafeterias will be open **Monday**, **April 14th - Wednesday**, **April 16th**, **9:00** a.m. - **3:00** p.m. All unclaimed items will be donated after April 18th.





Dress Code Reminder

We continue to remind all students that the items listed below are not permitted to be worn in classrooms and hallways. Please see the Dress Code/Code of Conduct for more detail.

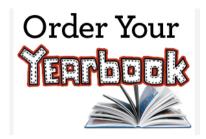
- Hats except for medical or religious purposes are prohibited.
 - Sun protection will be permitted outdoors at recess
- Headphones/AirPods may not be worn in classrooms or in the hallways.
- Hoods may not be worn at any time.

Arrival/Dismissal Reminder

Cyclist Arrival/Dismissal Reminder: Now that the weather is getting nicer we are experiencing more cyclists. Please complete all early dismissal by 2:30 p.m. in order to not impede on regular dismissal. Please review the SW Arrival/Dismissal Procedures.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:



Commemorate Your Years at South Woods!

Commemorate your school year with a 2025 SW Yearbook! **Yearbook Ordering Information** is now available on the South Woods Home Page. Special Ads must be completed by **April 21st**.

Business Club Apparel Sale

The Business Club is sponsoring a South Woods/Syosset apparel sale. Merchandise available includes tees, sweats, hats, athletic gear, and accessories. Please visit https://lstplace.sale/69334. Thank you for your support!





Calendar Reminder!

School will be closed:

Eid al Fitr: Monday, March 31st

• Spring Recess: April 14-18th





