



Summerville High School Rising Freshmen Information Night

April 8, 2025



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Our Goal

To help freshmen successfully
transition to high school by
providing academic support and
social guidance

Bell Schedule

1st – 9:30 – 11:00

2nd – 11:05 – 12:35

ILT – 12:35 – 1:15

3rd – 1:15 – 2:35

4th – 2:40 – 4:00

Sample Student Schedule

- First Semester

- 1st – Earth Science H
- 2nd – PE
 - ILT/SLT
- 3rd – High School 101
- 4th – Algebra CP

- Second Semester

- 1st – Spanish 1
- 2nd – Human Geography
 - ILT/SLT
- 3rd – Webpage Design
- 4th – English 1 H

Sample Student Schedule

- First Semester

- 1st – (A Day) AP Human Geo
(B Day) ROTC
- 2nd – Principles of Computer Science
 - ILT
- 3rd – (A Day) HS 101
(B Day) Band 1
- 4th – Geometry

- Second Semester

- 1st – (A Day) AP Human Geo
(B Day) ROTC
- 2nd – English I CP
 - ILT
- 3rd – (A Day) HS 101
(B Day) Band 1
- 4th – Earth Science CP

High School 101

HS 101 focuses on providing 9th graders with the skills necessary to be successful during high school as well as post-secondary pursuits.

- ▶ goal setting
- ▶ study skills
- ▶ time management
- ▶ academic planning
- ▶ financial literacy,
- ▶ employability/soft skills
- ▶ comprehensive health education
- ▶ resume writing, and job interview skills

Challenges for 9th Graders



Workload



Time Management



**Class Attendance
and Tardiness**



**Socializing at
inappropriate times**



Social Media Drama

Attendance Regulations

- ▶ According to SC State Law regarding school attendance, no more **than 5 absences per course for any semester long course or A/B course**
- ▶ FA- Failure due to Absence
- ▶ Students may an opportunity to "recapture" missed class time to remove FA(s)
- ▶ Students will make up the time during non-instructional time

How can parents help?

- Make sure your student attends school
- Encourage your child to talk to his/her teachers and self-advocate!
 - Make-up work
 - Re-assessing
 - Extra help to further understanding
- Formulate a plan with teacher(s) if your student is struggling
 - If needed, contact your student's guidance counselor and request a parent/teacher conference

Support Your Student

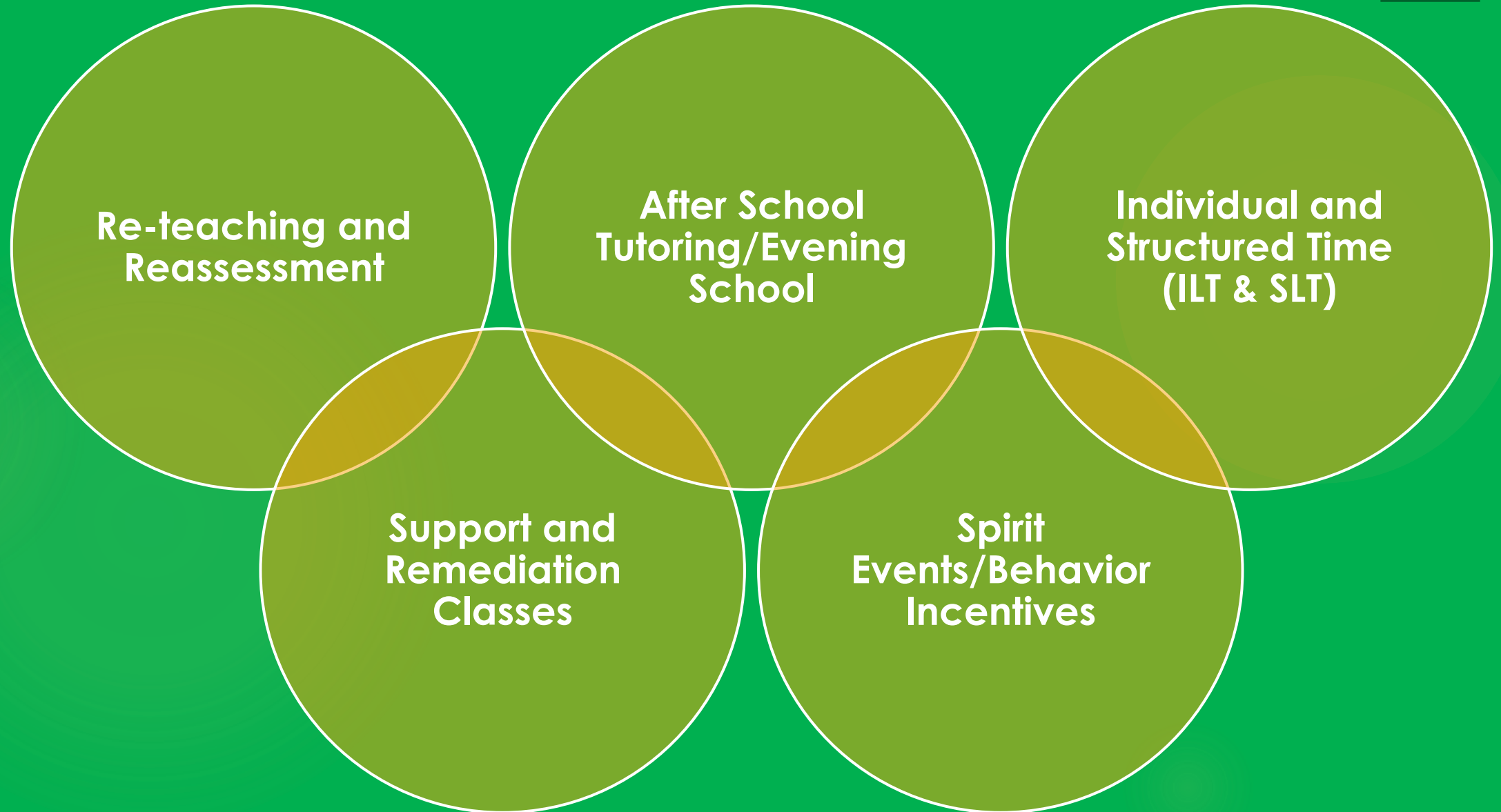
- Partner with teachers, administration, & counselors to form a team
 - Two-way communication is needed for students to be successful
 - Parent Portal and Schoology are tools to help parents support their student
- Attendance: all day, every day
- Provide your students with a time and place for homework and studying
- Talk with students about their classes and their post-secondary goals

9th grade Counselors



Alyssa Liptak, Kevin Deeter, and
Jenelle Howard

Student Success



Retaking a High School Credit Course from Middle School

- ▶ A STUDENT WHO HAS TAKEN A COURSE FOR A UNIT OF HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT PRIOR TO HIS OR HER NINTH-GRADE YEAR MAY RETAKE THAT COURSE, REGARDLESS OF THE GRADE EARNED.
- ▶ A STUDENT WHO RETAKES A HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT COURSE FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL MUST COMPLETE IT BEFORE THE NEXT SEQUENTIAL COURSE.
- ▶ RETAKING A COURSE MEANS THAT THE STUDENT COMPLETES THE ENTIRE COURSE AGAIN
- ▶ IF THE COURSE BEING RETAKEN HAS AN EOCEP, THE EOCEP MUST BE RETAKEN.
- ▶ **THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT WILL REFLECT BOTH COURSES. ONLY ONE COURSE ATTEMPT AND THE HIGHEST GRADE EARNED FOR THE COURSE WILL BE CALCULATED IN THE GPA.**

Graduation Requirements

– English	4 Units
– Mathematics	4 Units
– Biology	1 Unit
– Science	2 Units
– U.S. History	1 Unit
– Economics/Gov't	1 Unit
– Other Social Studies	1 Unit
– PE (ROTC/Marching Band w/PE)	1 Unit
– Computer Science	1 Unit
– Foreign Language or Vocational	1 Unit
– Personal Finance	.5 Unit
– Additional Units/Electives	<u>6.5 Units</u>
	<i>24 Units</i>



**CLASS
OF
2029**

Dorchester School District Two Promotion Policy

9th to 10th

6 units of credit TOTAL:

- English
- Math

10th to 11th

12 units of credit TOTAL:

- 2 English
- 2 math
- 1 social studies
- 1 science

11th to 12th

18 units of credit TOTAL:

- 3 English
- 3 math
- 2 social studies
- 2 science

College and Career Readiness Indicators

- ▶ To be college-ready, a student must meet one of the following:
 - Scores a composite score of 20 or higher on the ACT;
 - Scores a composite score of 1020 or higher on the SAT;
 - Scores a 3 or higher on an Advanced Placement (AP) exam;
 - Completes at least six (6) credit hours in dual enrollment courses with a grade of C or higher.

- ▶ To be career-ready, a student must meet one of the following:
 - Is a CTE completer and earns a national or state industry credential as determined by the business community; or
 - Earns a Silver, Gold or Platinum National Career Readiness Certificate on the state-approved career readiness assessment; or
 - Earns a scale score of 31 or higher on the ASVAB; or
 - Successfully completes a state-approved work-based learning program

Advanced Academics

▶ ECPI

- Partner program with ECPI University
- Focus on creating/maintaining Windows & UNIX network security

▶ Early College Program

- Courses provided by Trident Technical College
- Earn college credits while in high school
- Potential for Associate's Degree or Certification while still in high school

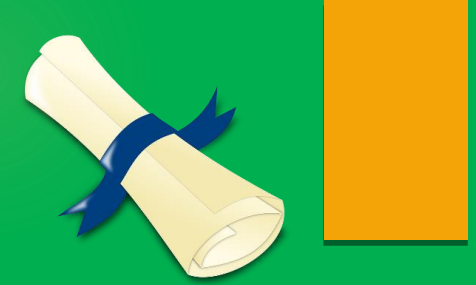
▶ AP (Advanced Placement) and Dual Credit

- AP Credits could be transferrable to 2-year and 4-year colleges/universities *(based on AP exam scores)*
- Dual credit course offerings in grades 10 – 12

Summer AP Bootcamp

- ▶ enrichment program to prepare students for the rigor of AP classes
- ▶ building foundational writing
- ▶ developing their content knowledge
- ▶ providing AVID strategies that will help them navigate through the coursework.

Diploma of Distinction



Students must meet all seven of the following criteria by the end of their senior year:

1. Must have a minimum of 32 earned credits.
2. Must have an overall GPA of 4.0 or higher.
3. Must have a minimum SAT score of 1100 or a minimum ACT composite score of 24.
4. Must earn four or more credits in all of the following areas: English, Math, Science, and Social Studies.
5. Must earn three or more units of credit at the Advanced Placement (AP) or Dual Credit level.
6. Must earn at least three credits in the same world language.
7. Must show written verification of participation in at least once school-sponsored organization (club) in 10th – 12th grade or complete 50 hours of approved community service during high school.



DIPLOMA PATHWAYS SEALS OF DISTINCTION OVERVIEW

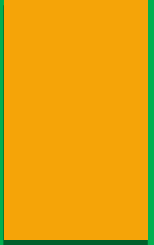
Students shall meet all requirements for earning a South Carolina high school diploma to be eligible to earn any Seal of Distinction.

One or more Seals may be earned, but are not required for graduation.

Consult District or School Curriculum Guides for more information regarding curriculum choices and requirements.

Honors Seal of Distinction	College-Ready Seal of Distinction	Career Seal of Distinction	Specialization Seal of Distinction
UGP GPA 3.5 or higher	UGP GPA 3.0 or higher or ACT 20 or higher or SAT 1020 or higher Tests may be superscored	UGP GPA 2.5 or higher	UGP GPA 3.0 or higher
English - 4 credits 2 at honors or higher level Math - Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, and a 4th higher level math requiring Algebra 2 as a prerequisite 3 at honors or higher level Lab Science - 3 credits 2 at honors or higher level Social Studies - 3 credits 2 at the honors or higher level World Languages - 2 credits of the same language for students entering 9th grade in 2018–2019 3 credits of the same language for students entering 9th grade in 2019–2020 and beyond Advanced Coursework - 4 additional credits of honors or higher completed during the Junior/Senior years (the last 2 years prior to graduation)	English - 4 credits Math - Algebra 1 (or the equivalent of Algebra 1), Algebra 2, Geometry, and a 4th Higher Level Math Lab Science - 3 credits Social Studies - 3 credits World Language - 2 credits In the same language Fine Arts - 1 credit	English - 4 credits Math - 4 credits Science - 3 credits Social Studies - 3 credits <u>and one of the following:</u> Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA) major OR Career and Technical Education (CTE) Completer <u>and one of the following:</u> One industry recognized credential OR Silver or higher on WIN OR Completion of Career Ready Work-Based Learning (WBL) placement	(complete one area to qualify) STEM - 4 credits beyond required courses in math, science, technology, and engineering; at least 2 at honors level or higher; may be in 1 area of STEM or across 4 areas World Language - 4 credits in the same language OR minimum ACTFL Exam score of “Intermediate Low” (or an equated score on STAMP or ASL assessment) OR AP exam score of 3 or higher OR IB exam score of 4 or higher before the senior year; <u>English Learners</u> – all criteria above and Level 5 composite ACCESS test score Military - 4 credits in JROTC and an ASVAB score of 31 or higher Arts - 4 credits in single or multiple areas of the Arts; 2 or more at honors or higher level and *mastery on external exam or performance task. *waived for Class of 2022

Special Education/504



- Each Special Education student has a case manager at the school who will set up the IEP meetings and work with teachers
- Together we can work to ensure your student is successful and create the best learning environment possible
- At the beginning of the school year, connect with your student's case manager and/or counselor about his or her IEP or 504 Plan

CTE Programs

- NJROTC
- Health Sciences
- Culinary
- Engineering
- Manufacturing
- Vocational School
- Sports Medicine
- Business





CULINARY



ENGINEERING



MANUFACTURING



THEATRE



HEALTH SCIENCES



ROTC

Clubs

- ▶ Art
- ▶ Astronomy
- ▶ Beta Club and NHS
- ▶ Black Student Union
- ▶ Board Games
- ▶ Mu Alpha Theta /Ro Kappa
- ▶ Chess
- ▶ Dance
- ▶ Dart Club
- ▶ Engineering & Robotics
- ▶ eSports
- ▶ Fishing
- ▶ Fellowship Christian Athlete
- ▶ Language Clubs
- ▶ Health and Wellness
- ▶ HOSA
- ▶ Int'l Thespian Society
- ▶ PTSA
- ▶ Prom Committee
- ▶ Wave TV
- ▶ Weather Club



GET INVOLVED AND HAVE FUN!

SPIRIT EVENTS



STUDENT SECTION



SENIOR SIGNING DAY



SHS POWDERPUFF



HOMECOMING PARADE



SHS CLUB FAIR



Summerville High School Athletics

www.summervilleathletics.com

Football

Cheerleading

Volleyball

Tennis

Golf

Swimming

Baseball

Softball

Basketball

Wrestling

Track

Soccer

Cross Country



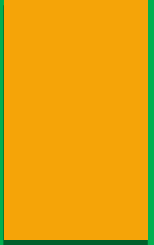
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Cory Magwood
cmagwood@dorchester2.k12.sc.us

9th Grade Athletic Eligibility for Sports

- ▶ To be eligible for Fall & Winter Sports:
 - ▶ Must be PROMOTED to 9th grade (rather than being placed)
- ▶ To be eligible for Spring Sports:
 - ▶ If eligible in the fall, student must be passing four courses AND have an overall passing average
 - ▶ If ineligible in the fall, student must be passing five courses AND have an overall passing average

Need to Know



Freshman Orientation

- ▶ Will **likely** be held on August 1st here at SHS
- ▶ Helps students feel at ease before their first day of high school
- ▶ Plan for traffic and to arrive early

Online Registration

- ▶ All students are required to register
- ▶ You must register online. No need to come to the school
- ▶ Failure to register may delay issuing of the student laptop and losing your spot in the elective of your choice.

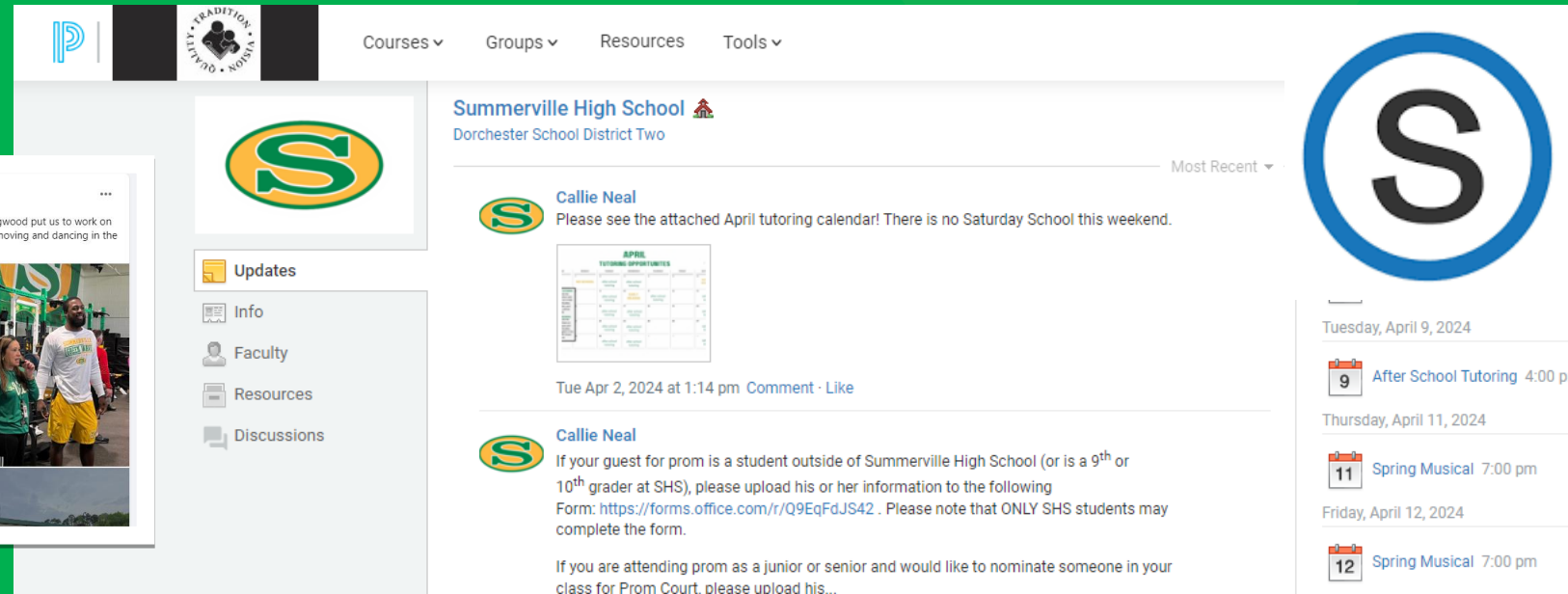
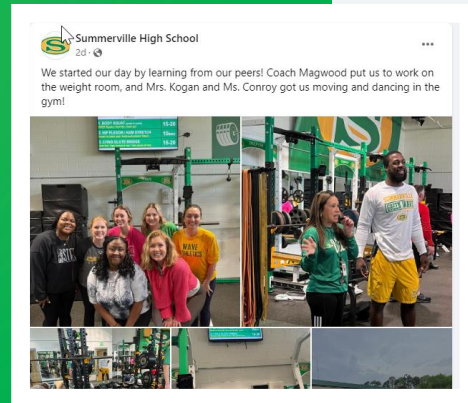
Stay Connected

A great place to get updated information about SHS is the school's website:

shs.ddttwo.org



Like Summerville High School on FB or Insta for the latest news and photos around SHS!



**We look forward to a wonderful
school year filled with fun
and success!**

**Never hesitate to reach out to us for
additional support; we are here for you
and your student!**



**Welcome to the
Green Wave Family**





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