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Trojan Times

**April 2025***A monthly newsletter for families***Administration:***Principal: Mike Whisler**Associate Principal (Last Names A-L): Tori Adkins**Associate Principal (Last Names M-Z): Louisa Samples**Manager of Student Engagement: John Polkowski**Athletics & Activities Director: Chris Williams***Social Workers:***Last Names A-L: Janine**Walch Blohowiak**Last Names M-Z: Anna Van**Schyndel***Counselors:***Last Names A-E: Amanda Millan**Last Names F-L: Luke Felchlin**Last Names M-R, Z: Elizabeth
Mueller**Last Names S-Y: Ying Jing Vang***Attendance:**

920-492-2653

Main Office:

920-492-2650

Student Services:*(Counselors/
Student Records):*
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Activities**

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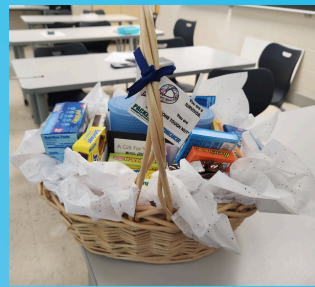
UPCOMING DATES TO KNOW...**Apr. 23, 24:** No School (Recess Days)**Apr. 25:** No School (Conference Conversion Day)**Apr. 30:** Patrick O'Brien Art Gallery Opening Dedication**May 3:** Senior Ball (@ Thornberry Creek)**May 5:** Family Connection Network Meeting, Booster
Club Meeting**May 5 - 16:** AP Exams**May 15:** Senior Meeting**May 19:** Scholarship Night**May 21:** Cap & Gown Distribution**May 23:** No School (Professional Development)**May 26:** No School (Memorial Day)**May 29:** Last day for Seniors**May 30:** Graduation Practice**May 31:** Class of 2025 Graduation (@ the Kress Center)**Jun. 3, 4:** Semester Exams (A.M.), Asynchronous
Instruction (P.M.)**Jun. 5:** Semester Exams (A.M.), Teacher Workday (P.M.)**Jun. 5:** Last Day of School**Mental Well-Being Resources***You are important. You matter.
And so does your mental well-being.**Please click the linked resources **HERE** from SW Social
Workers, which may help you and/or your student.
In the event of a suicidal crisis or emotional distress,
call or text 988 to connect with a trained crisis
counselor immediately.***If you would like a printed copy of this
newsletter, please contact the SW Main
Office.*



12 SW students took part in the Gathering Of Oneida Youth (GOOY) at the Oneida Hotel. The day-long conference included indigenous students from six local school districts. They were brought together to network, learn, and celebrate their identity. The Oneida Tribal Action Plan and Cultural Heritage teams collaborated to host a fantastic opportunity for our youth!



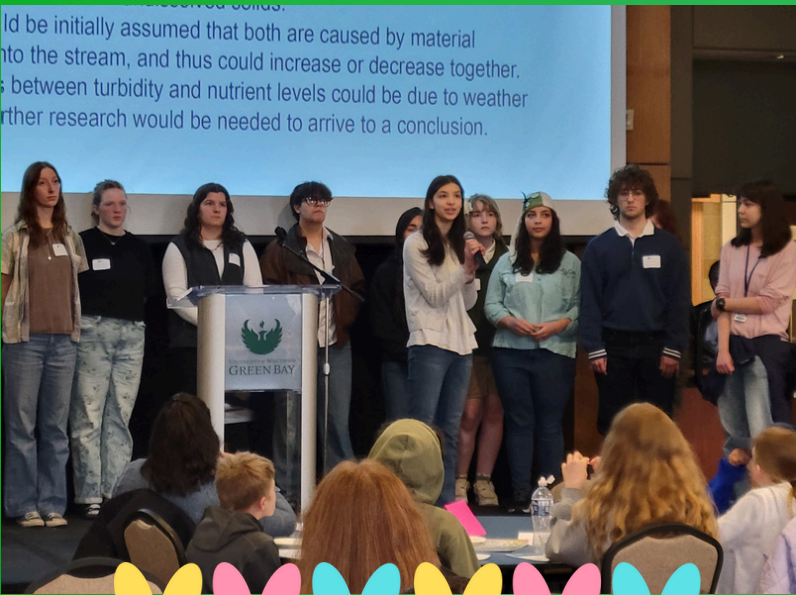
Movie Theme Gift basket made for a 2024 Southwest High School graduate's benefit event. He was diagnosed with cancer this fall.



Students were studying "embryonic development" of the Zebrafish. "The Eye's have it".... not only for the tape, but also, students were able to watch, in real time, cell differentiation into the eyes, red blood cells, the heart..... It is an amazing process to witness..



Fox River Monitoring presented data to the group at the Water Symposium.



Business students, like Zahid A., have been working hard analyzing stock markets.



Southwest ID students joined forces with the Preble ID students for adaptive prom, and it was an amazing event!



Spotlights

Northeast Wisconsin YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP

Bellevue Senior Living

Jordan Gierczak
Southwest High School



Highlights of work

"Jordan always exceeds daily expectations and is great with our residents and her coworkers."

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

presented by the National Honor Society

Every month, students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, overcome significant challenges, reached a personal academic goal, or have proven themselves as academic leaders in the classroom are celebrated. The below students have been nominated by a staff member for March.

Addison Wendt
Delaney Bakran
Emerson Krings
Emma Cunningham
Charlie Connor
Hailey Trevarthen
Elizabeth Olson
Quentin Morrissey
Clara Fondow

Wendy Saucedo
Jace Proski
Kiley Thao
Reese Rodal
Lily Dunlap
Landon Iverson
Fatha Muhumed
Alexavier Ortiz
Amber Gabryel



Let's Talk...Connect with School Staff!



Want to connect with school administration?

Please call the Main Office to see if the principal/associate principal is available or if there's a need to schedule an appointment. School administrators are always available via email.

Want to have a conversation with a staff member?

If so, please reach out to them by phone or email to schedule a short appointment.

Thank you for your assistance with scheduling appointments with staff ahead of time.

This will help us ensure that we are providing the best service possible to the students and families of Southwest High School.

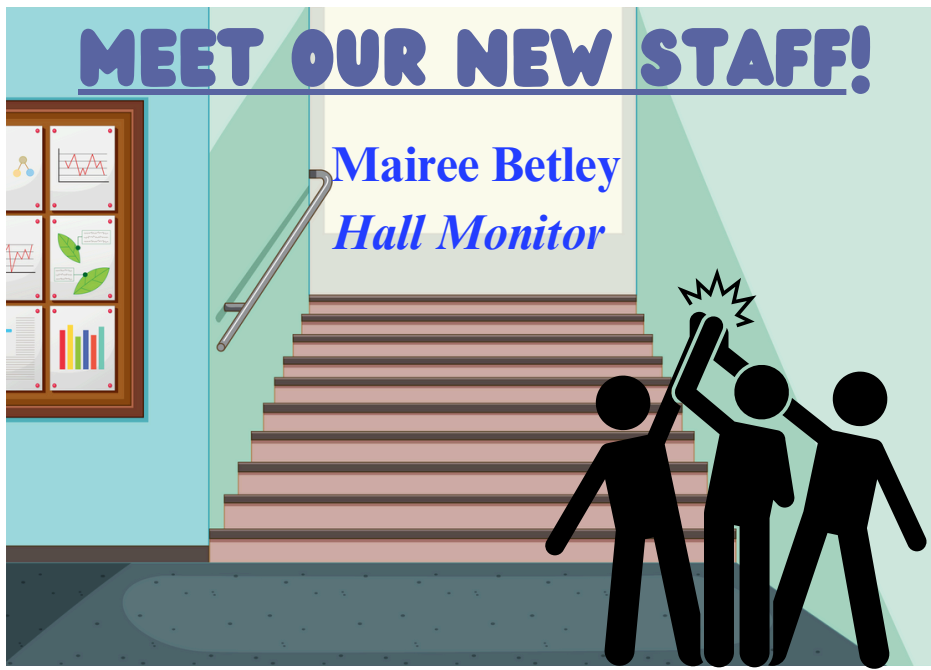
Southwest Who's Who?

 Administration Main Office Phone Number: 920-492-2650 Attendance Phone Number: 920-492-2653				Student Services Phone Number: 920-492-2652			
	Mr. Mike Whisler Principal Email Mike		Mr. Chris Williams Athletic & Activities Director Email Chris		Ms. Amanda Millan School Counselor Student Support A-E Email Amanda 920-492-2719		Ms. Janine Walch Blohowiak Social Worker Student Support A-L Email Janine 920-492-5582
	Ms. Tori Adkins Associate Principal Student Support A-L Email Tori		Mr. John Polkowski Manager of Student Engagement Email John		Mr. Luke Felchlin School Counselor Student Support F-L Email Luke 920-492-2718		Ms. Anna Van Schyndel Social Worker Student Support M-Z Email Anna 920-492-2709
	Ms. Louisa Samples Associate Principal Student Support M-Z Email Louisa	 Career Center 			Ms. Elizabeth Mueller School Counselor Student Support M-R & Z Email Elizabeth 920-492-2717		Ms. Kaitlyn Stollberg School Psychologist Email Kaitlyn 920-481-9474
	Ms. Melissa Hovanick-Larson Career Center Coordinator Email Melissa 920-492-2652				Ms. Ying-Jing Vang *Student Services Department Head School Counselor Student Support S-Y Email Ying-Jing 920-492-2716		Mr. Jon Wiegert *Special Education Lead Teacher Email Jon 920-272-7222
	Ms. Lindsay Allen Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator Email Lindsay 920-873-3057				Ms. Bonnie Baranczyk School Nurse Email Bonnie 920-272-7638		
	Mr. Nerf Udoekong Career Coach - NWTC Email Nerf		Ms. Lisa Kong Career Coach - UWGB Email Lisa 920-518-3767		Ms. Ma Vang Registrar Email Ma		

Click for the [Student Services Calendar of Events](#), which has grade-level specific information about upcoming student services related events for families.

MEET OUR NEW STAFF!

Mairee Betley
Hall Monitor



A Note From Principal Whisler...



As students get older, enter high school, and become more independent, many parents and guardians perceive that students do not need (or want) us to be involved in their schooling like we once were when they were in elementary school. However, the truth of the matter is that our high school children WANT and NEED us - more so now than ever before! Students may be in high school, but they are only in high school. There is still a lot of room to grow and learn.



Southwest High School continues to seek opportunities to involve our families in their students' educational experience. One new opportunity at Southwest High School is the Family Connection Network (similar to a PTO).

This group will be meeting once a month, just before the Booster Club meetings. The next meeting date for the Family Connection Network is May 5, 2025 @ 5:30pm, in the Southwest High School LMC (second floor).

The vision for the Family Connection includes the following:



- Strengthen the positive partnership between the families and staff.
- Provide feedback to school staff regarding continuous improvement efforts.



- Support the growth and maintenance of the best possible learning environment for students and work environment for staff.
- Support a positive sense of pride within the Southwest High School community.



- Support other Southwest High School families.
- Serve as a method of active engagement for Southwest High School parents, guardians, and caregivers.

I hope that you decide that this is a group for you. Be on the lookout for upcoming meeting dates and agendas. If you would like to receive information specifically about the Southwest High School Family Connection Network, please submit your contact information here - [Southwest High School Family Connection Network Contact List](#).

From Student Services...



A Cap & Gown must be worn to participate in the graduation ceremony.

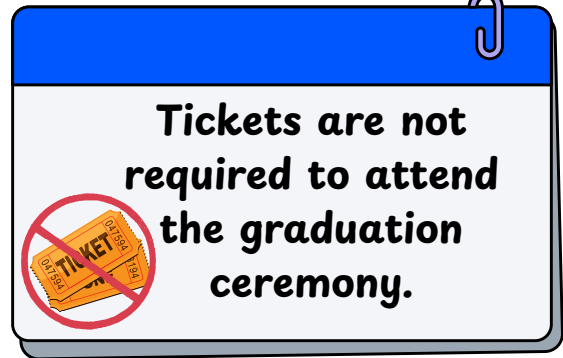


**Cap & Gown
Distribution Date:
May 21
during lunch hours**



Please stop in the Main Office with \$35 cash or check* to purchase.

***Checks should be made out to: Brickhouse**



ADORNMENT REQUESTS

**DUE
MAY 9**

Students wanting to adorn their graduation attire must receive approval from the high school principal. The District requires that the dress and grooming of students at the graduation ceremony are within the limits of Board of Education policy.

Please click here to access the [Adornment Request Form](#).



STAY UP TO DATE WITH GRADUATION INFORMATION:
[HTTPS://SOUTHWEST.GBAPS.ORG/ACADEMICS/GRADUATION](https://southwest.gbaps.org/academics/graduation)



**CLASS OF 2025
GRADUATION**

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025 | 4 P.M.
KRESS CENTER, UWGB



SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Featured Scholarships

Available ONLY to Southwest High School Students

SOUTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

ROBERT L. SCHNELL

SOUTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB

MITCH LUNDGAARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**PLEASE HAVE YOUR STUDENT
SHARE IF THEY HAVE
RECIEVED A
SCHOLARSHIP.**



SUBMISSIONS DUE BY MAY 14, 2025

Save the Date

**Southwest Senior Scholarship Night
Monday, May 19, 2025 6 p.m.
*Only Scholarship Recipients will be recognized.**

**Green Bay School District &
Southwest Scholarship Guides**



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MITCH LUNDGAARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

A 2000 graduate of Southwest High School, Mitch was a passionate athlete throughout his high school years. He played both soccer and basketball. Beyond athletics, Mitch had a deep commitment to serving others, a passion that ultimately led him to his career in firefighting. He loved his job and took great pride in protecting and helping his community.

Mitch Lundgaard was a dedicated firefighter, serving with the Appleton Fire Department for 14 years before tragically losing his life in the line of duty in May 2019 at the age of 36.

In honor of Mitch's legacy, this scholarship is awarded to student-athletes who exemplify perseverance, teamwork, and integrity—qualities that Mitch carried both on and off the field.



**LUNDGAARDLOVE
FOUNDATION**
In honor of Mitch Lundgaard

- GPA of a 2.5 or Higher
- Student-athlete who has demonstrated dedication, teamwork and perseverance
- Attending college for a career in public service.
- One scholarship of \$2500

APPLICATION



LINK

SOUTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL

PATRICK O'BRIEN ART GALLERY

Opening Reception and Dedication

"O.B."

Pat O'Brien
Southwest High School
Art Instructor
1968 - 1997



The community is welcome and encouraged to attend

April 30, 2025 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Southwest High School
1331 Packerland Drive Green Bay, WI



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- Badgercare / Medicaid
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Public Instruction

Or click the following
link: [Internet Discount
Finder](https://bit.ly/find-discount)



featuring an exhibition by three former students and art professionals



Aaron Renier



Jonah Osgood



Mark Dix



ENJOY SUMMER AT UW-GREEN BAY!



All programs are facilitated by UW-Green Bay faculty, student interns, and content experts on variety of subjects including, STEM-based offerings, Youth Empowerment, Leadership, Cultural Heritage, Computer Science, Theater, Music, and more!

Many scholarships available for those that qualify!
Contact us to learn more.

¡Todos los programas son facilitados por profesores de la universidad de Wisconsin de Green Bay, estudiantes internos y expertos en una variedad de temas, incluyendo las ofertas basadas en STEM, empoderamiento de los jóvenes, liderazgo, patrimonio cultural, atletismo, informática, teatro, música y más!

Muchas becas estan disponibles para aquellos que reúnan los requisitos; contáctenos para más información.



REGISTER/REGISTRO:

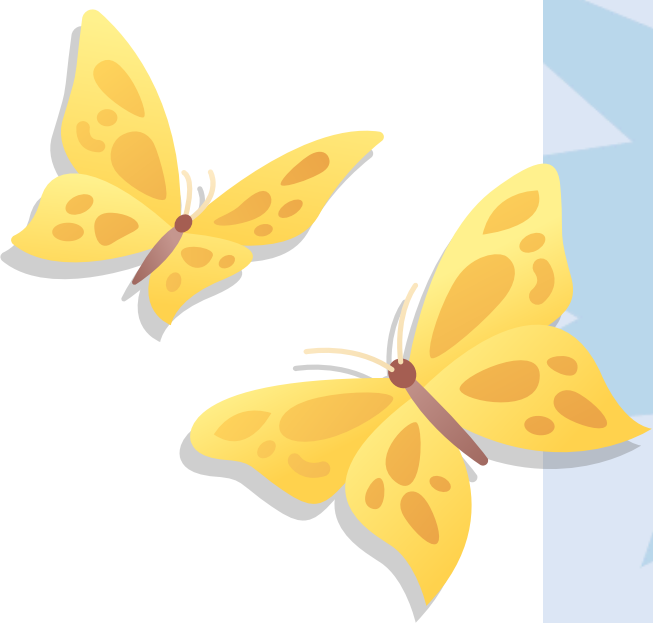
Programs for youth entering 4-12th
Programas para jóvenes de los grados 4-12



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2025 OFFERINGS

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| • CAMP LLOYD | • EINSTEIN DESIGN INC |
| • WIZARD ACADEMY | • I'M BOARD GAMES |
| • LEADGB: GIRLS | • ANIMATION EXPLORATION |
| • LEADGB: BOYS | • MOBILE APP DEVELOPMENT CAMP |
| • INTRO TO DESIGN TECH | • MACHINE LEARNING CAMP |
| • INTRO TO ONSHAPE | • STAGEHAND CAMP |
| • AQUATIC ROBOTICS | • ESPORTS |
| • CODING CONTRACTIONS | • VIDEO GAME PROGRAMMING |
| • SIDS WORKSHOP | |
| • EXPLORE NATURAL WORLD (ONEIDA NATION) | |



TUTORING: BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS

FOR ANYONE INTERESTED

Student Tutoring by NHS students is now available to sign up for. It will be held during advisory on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

You can sign up for tutoring in core classes:

- Math - Science - Social Studies - English -

If interested, you can sign up for sessions named "Tutoring" in flex.
We will meet in Room 2230.



Bellin College
Healthcare Academy

College Rigor, Career Readiness, and
Connections

The Bellin Healthcare Academy is a program by Bellin College for students interested in a career in all healthcare fields. The program offers college courses (in our high schools and at Bellin College), career exploration, mentoring, and work-based learning.

**Obtain more information in the links below.*

[BHA - Info for Students](#)

[BHA Flyer \(English\)](#)

[BHA Flyer \(Spanish\)](#)



NOMINATE ALUMNI TODAY!

Applications due
May 31, 2025



SCAN ME



Green Bay Area
Public School District

Parent & Guardian Resource for Canvas



As part of our ongoing commitment to providing a guaranteed, viable and equitable educational experience for our students, we are excited to announce the adoption of Canvas Learning Management System (LMS) in Green Bay Area Public Schools.

Canvas LMS is a powerful and user-friendly platform designed to enhance the learning process and facilitate communication between teachers, students, and parents. Its features and capabilities will empower our educators to create engaging, interactive, and personalized learning experiences.

For the 2024-25 school year, most middle and high school courses will be using Canvas. Here are some key benefits of using Canvas:

- **Streamlined Communication**: Canvas provides a centralized communication hub, making it easier for teachers and parents to connect and stay updated on important information related to academic progress, assignments, and events.
- **24/7 Access to Course Materials**: Through Canvas, students and parents will have 24/7 access to course materials. This allows for better organization and planning.
- **Assignment Tracking and Grading**: Canvas enables parents to monitor their child's progress in real-time, view assignments, and track grades. This transparency fosters a collaborative approach to education.
- **Mobile App Compatibility**: Canvas has a mobile app that provides on-the-go access to the platform, ensuring that parents and students can stay connected and engaged even outside the classroom.
- **Submission and Feedback**: Students can easily submit their assignments through Canvas, and teachers can provide timely feedback and grades, promoting continuous improvement.
- **Personalized Learning Paths**: Canvas supports differentiated instruction, allowing teachers to tailor learning paths for individual student needs and strengths.

It is highly recommended that all Southwest parents/guardians take advantage of the Canvas parent portal. In order to set up your Canvas Observer Account, please review the attached resources: [English](#) [Spanish](#) [Hmong](#) [Somali](#)

SAVE THE DATES: SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Session 1: June 16 - July 18

***No school June 19 & July 2-4**

Session 2: July 21 - August 15

DPI recently announced Summer EBT funds for summer 2025.

Summer EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer) is a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) benefit program and in Wisconsin is a partnership between the Wisconsin Departments of Health Services (DHS) and Public Instruction (DPI). Summer EBT (S-EBT) is an income-based program that helps eligible families buy food for their children during the summer when nutritious school meals are not always available.

In summer 2024, families received a one-time lump sum \$120 in benefits on EBT cards for each child who qualified. Summer 2025 fund amount is TBD by the USDA.

Families can use these benefits anywhere that FoodShare benefits are accepted, like most grocery stores, many convenience stores, and some farmer's markets.

Children should continue to access the free summer meal program in addition to S-EBT.

There is strict eligibility criteria for students/families to receive S-EBT funds, see details below.

Resources:

DPI website with information: [Summer EBT](#) | [Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction](#)

S-EBT Application: <https://wisconsin.summerebtapp.com>

S-EBT Benefit Management (for primary guardians only): [Summer EBT Benefit Management](#)

GBAPS Infinite Campus – NEW Absence Request Tool

The new Absence Request tool is available for parents & guardians who have an Infinite Campus Parent Portal account, to notify your school in advance when your student will be absent. When the request is processed by the school, student attendance is automatically updated.

For more about this new tool, please view the attached information in [English](#) or [Spanish](#). Please contact your school's attendance office with any questions. Parents without a Parent Portal account can contact Central Registration at (920) 448-2001 or the Help Desk at (920) 448-2148.



General questions or questions on eligibility, please contact your students Social Worker.

[Janine Walch](#) (last name alpha A-L)

[Anna VanSchyndel](#) (last name alpha M-Z)

Infinite Campus Parent Portal Guide

Annual Updates for Current Students



Log In

Log into [Campus Portal](#) using your user name and password. If you do not have a username and password, please contact the Help Desk at 920-448-2148 or servicedesk@gbaps.org to set up a Campus Parent Portal account.

- To gain access to the Parent Portal, you must provide the District with your student's birth certificate information for each enrolled student.

Annual Update

Annual Updates must be completed by the guardian of the student's primary household each school year to ensure that schools have accurate contact information for students and families.

Follow the steps below.

1. Select "More" on the left hand side of the screen
2. Select "Update Contact Information"
3. Select "Current Student Registration"
4. Read all instructions and select "Start"
5. Carefully review and update any information throughout the module

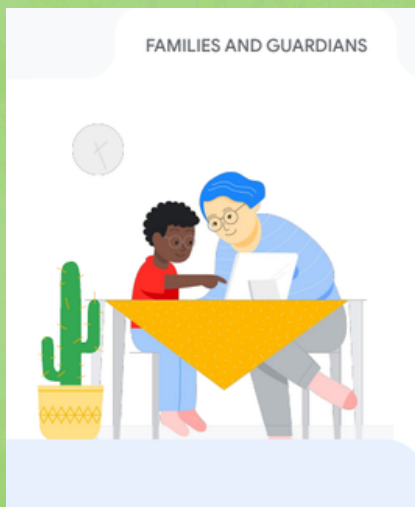
Complete this process immediately, even if no changes are needed, as updates were due before the registration event.

Guardian's Guide to Chromebooks

What you've always wanted to know about Chromebooks in your student's classroom. Your student's Chromebook may be a little bit different than the computer you have at home or the one you use at work, so we've created this overview to help you understand what a Chromebook is and how it's used.

Currently this document is available in [Spanish](#), [English](#), and [Hmong](#).

Please click the appropriate language to view the guide.



Chromebooks & Stickers

– Can students place a sticker on their student issued device?

The Department of Technology supports customizing cases; however, stickers should not be placed on student devices.

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ORDER NOW

Show off your Southwest Pride & purchase apparel, backpacks, hats, accessories and so much more! Orders can be placed at any time and are shipped directly to you! [*Click here to order your merch!*](#)



In-School Dental Care

ALL SMILES. NO COST.*



30-45 minute visit



Teeth cleaning



Examination



No transport or time
off work needed

***In school dental care is available for students with Forward Health, Badger Care or no dental insurance who qualify for free or reduced lunch**

What does a school-based visit look like?

Students will be out of class for 30-45 minutes for an at-school dental visit with an OHP dental hygienist for cleaning, education, screening, x-rays, and fluoride treatment.

What will happen after the visit?

Students will be sent home with instructions for their parent/guardian on further treatment needed or tips for good oral health. Sometimes, kids will be recommended to be seen at one of our clinics for further treatment which can be done at no cost.

Please fill out our survey **HERE**
Your opinion matters to us!
Thank you!



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