SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Falcon Calendar

May 1- Band 6 Concert 7 pm
May 2- 8th grade dance 6-8 pm
May 7- Dairy Queen fundraiser 5-10 pm
May 8- Orchestra 6 Concert 7 pm
May 9- Mile Run/ Spring Fling
May 12- South Falcon Advisory Council Meeting 6:00 pm
May 15- Orchestra 7 & 8 Concert 7 pm
May 22- Chorus 7 Concert 7 pm
May 26- No school
May 29- Chorus 8 Concert 7 pm
June 4- 8th grade celebration
June 5- Last Day of School



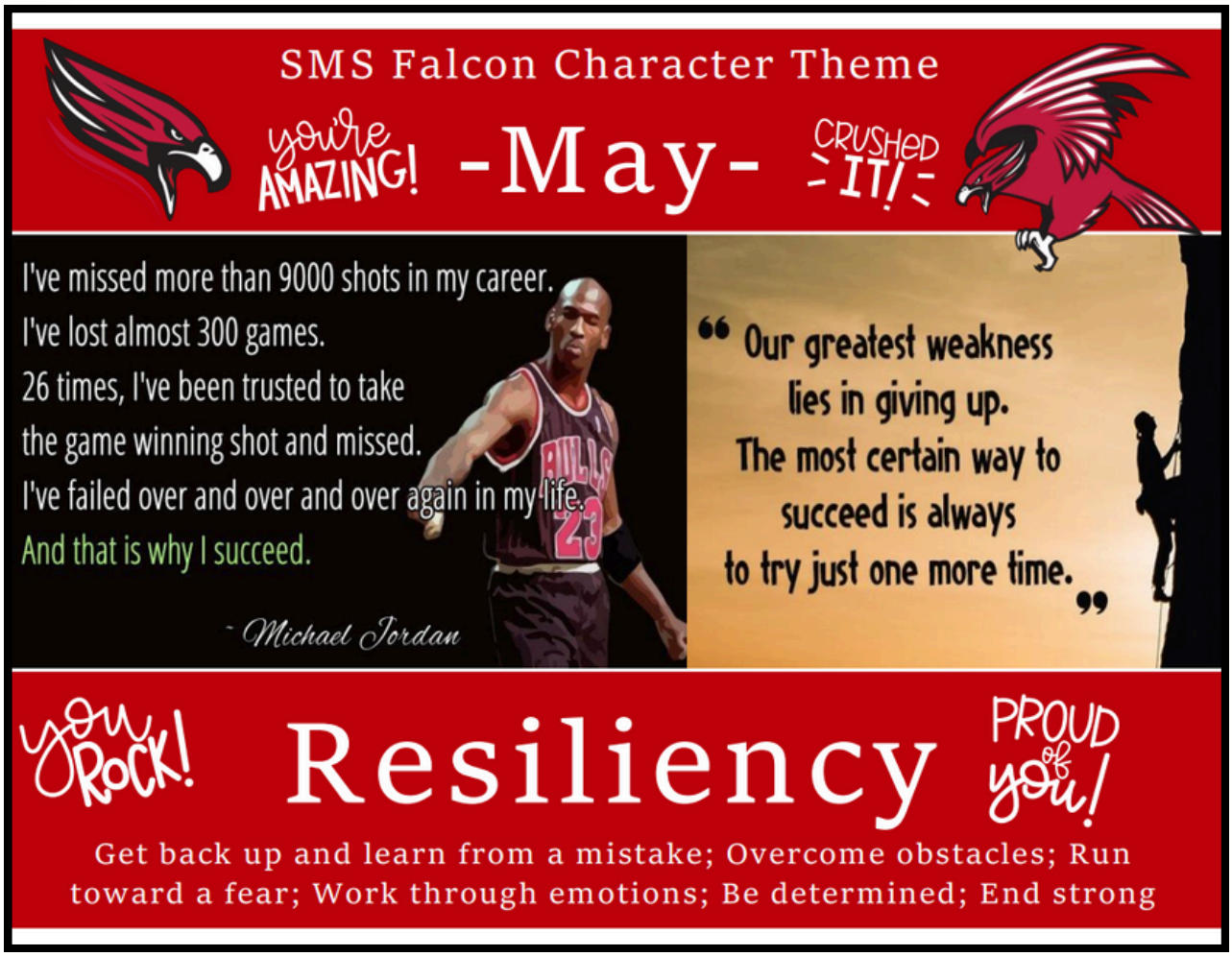
Announcements

8th Grade Celebration

We are excited to announce that this year's 8th Grade Celebration will be held on **Wednesday, June 4th at 1:00 PM i**n gyms B and C. As we prepare for this special event, we kindly ask that you limit the number of family members attending (2-3 per family), as space is limited.

For those who cannot be accommodated in the main area, we will have a small area for standing room only, and an overflow section where the celebration will be live-streamed. We appreciate your patience and understanding while we navigate through our construction process.

More details about the event will be shared soon. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with you and your children!



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8th Grade Dance Information

Date: Friday, May 2

Time: 6:00-8:00pm

Cost: There will be no cost associated with this school event, and all South MS 8th grade students will receive ONE FREE admission ticket for the dance (during Falcon Time this Friday). Tickets will be handed out to students during the school day, and students are expected to keep their tickets safe until the dance. If any 8th grade student or family would like to contribute a donation to offset some of the costs of the dance, that would be appreciated but not expected.

Dance Entry: On the night of the dance, students will be asked to show their South MS student ID card or Skyward profile (on paper or electronic device), as well as provide their ticket to the event, when they enter the school. Only South MS students are allowed entry into the dance.

Drop-off and Pick-up: Students can be dropped off at South MS in the bottom parking lot, near Door 8. Dance entrance and exit will be at Door 8. Students should not arrive to the dance prior to 6:00pm, unless they are willing to stand outside and wait for the doors to open. Family members will not be allowed to follow their child inside the building, so please take pictures of your children prior to drop-off! It is also asked that parking lot rules and guidelines are followed on the evening of the dance, just as they are followed during the school day. Thank you for helping keep our parking lot a safe location for all.

Dress Code: This is a semi-formal event, with dress code expectations the same as during a school day.

Coat Check Area: As students enter the building from Door 8, there will be a coat check area immediately inside the doors in Gym A. The coat check will be a designated, supervised space for students to leave their personal belongings such as cell phones, jackets/coats, wallets, shoes, etc. Students are welcome to carry around these items during the dance but will be offered this check-in/check-out system that is monitored by adults throughout the evening. Please be aware that South MS will not be liable for any items that are stolen or lost during the dance, so bring only what is necessary!

Designated School Areas: The primary focus for students attending this fun event will be dancing! However, there will also be games and activities upstairs in the cafeteria for any students wanting to socialize in a different setting. Please note that all other areas of the building will be off-limits for students while they are in attendance. Staff and family volunteers will be available throughout the building making sure students are monitored throughout the evening.

Food and Concessions: Student Council is sponsoring one free drink (water or Capri Sun) and one free snack (fruit snacks or chips) for each student—see ticket. Also, we will be offering snacks and drinks via a cash-only concession stand located in the cafeteria. All proceeds will be used to offset the cost of the dance.

Raffle Basket Fundraiser: to raise funds for the Valley Fair Trip, Student Council has set up a Basket Raffle full of fantastic donations from local businesses. All 8th graders will receive one ticket to enter the raffle for free. Additional tickets will be sold for $1.00 each or the length of Mr. Banasik's wingspan for $20.

** We would like to thank the 8th grade students involved in Student Council for their extremely hard work in preparing for the dance and creating a night of celebration and friendship for this wonderful graduating class of kids! We'd also like to thank the SMS Staff and South Falcon Advisory Committee (SFAC) for their contributions to make this dance happen.

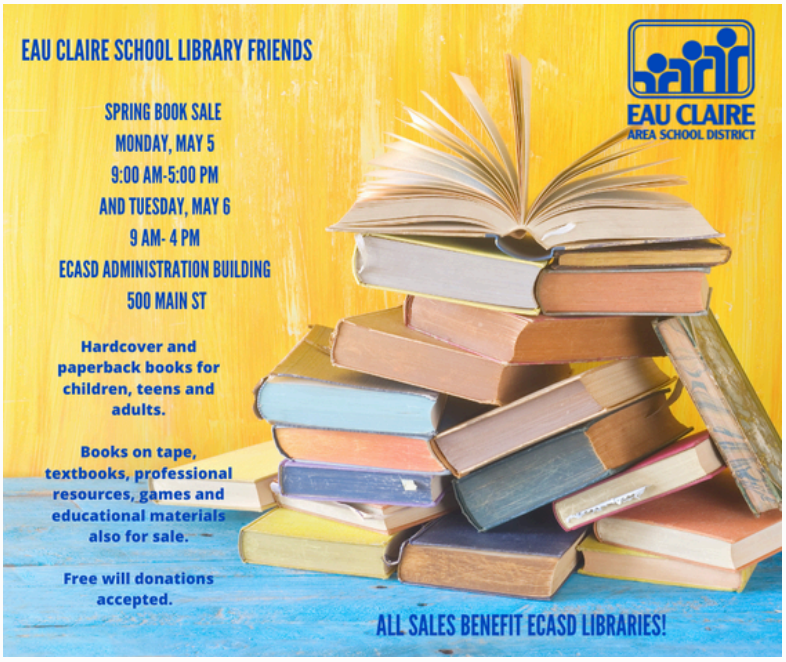
If you have any questions, please reach out to Jacque Strayer at jstrayer@ecasd.us.

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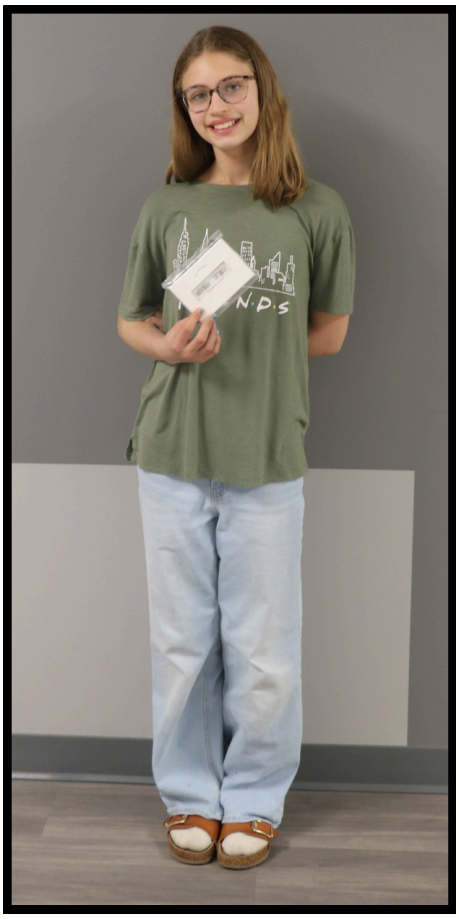


FALCON FOODS

Contact Jen Whatley, jwhatley@ecasd.us if you would like more information.

You can start ordering food here.







Congratulations to Olivia on winning the Amazon gift card from RCU this month.





ROYAL CREDIT UNION
MIDDLE SCHOOL

Spring is here! May is an exciting time at school and at home with outdoor sports, games, and field trips. Through all of the busy times, the Royal Credit Union Middle School team encourages students and families to continue to find time to save.

The last day to save at school before summer break is Wednesday April 30. However, don't take a vacation from your great habit of saving money - keep up the good work! Royal student savers can deposit at any Royal office at any time to continue to work towards their savings goals!

We welcome your questions about Royal Credit Union at South and how you can get your student started saving at school next fall.

If your student will be attending Memorial High School next year, the saving fun continues! Memorial has an in-school branch that is open on Mondays and Thursdays during lunch periods. Be on the lookout for more information in the fall!

Please contact me at:
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rachel.orlovsky@rcu.org









Shoutout to our AVID students for doing an amazing job cheering on runners at the Eau Claire Marathon this past weekend!

Cartwheel

May is Mental Health Awareness Month and ECASD is excited to introduce its latest mental health support partnership. Cartwheel! Cartwheel is a virtual mental health provider that offers no waitlist access to Tier 2 & 3 services including therapy, medication evaluation and management, parent guidance, and family therapy.

Cartwheel also offers free webinars for caregivers and school staff focused on providing practical and actionable information on mental health topics affecting youth and families today. Find the full schedule here and view past webinars here.

To learn more about Cartwheel, please see this PDF and visit www.cartwheel.org. This information is also on our ECASD website along with additional mental health information and resources.



CHANGE A LIFE. Become a Foster Parent.

Do you want to help, but are unsure if fostering is a good fit for your family? Consider becoming certified as a Respite Care Provider. A Respite Care Provider is certified for the sole purpose of providing (emergency or planned) short-term care to children in foster care, children in high-risk families, and children with disabilities. Respite care needs vary from being a few days a month, one or two weekends a month, or sometimes up to a week or two.

Eau Claire COUNTY
Department of Human Services

Every child deserves to have a safe and loving home.
If you can help, please send an email to:
fostercare@eauclairecounty.gov

Keeping Kids in Their Community.



New to South is a Donation Box called "Full Bellies for School". Help us provide healthy snacks and ready-to-eat food for our students with food insecurities. We are looking for items like granola bars, meat sticks, crackers, trail mix, fruit snacks, fruit bars, etc. Our drop-off box is located inside door 2. Thanks so much for your help!

South Falcon Advisory Council (SFAC)

Meeting Date

Join us for our last meeting of the year!

May 12

Everyone is welcome!

DAIRY QUEEN FUNDRAISER

Wednesday, May 7th

5-10 PM

Help support South Middle School!



Save Your Box Tops

Hey South Families! Want to earn money to support field trips, (add other fundraising items here) just by doing your usual shopping? Get the Box Tops App and scan your receipt to earn $.10 for each item with the Box Tops logo on it. No more clipping like in the past. Use the code NJUK7NXE when you scan your first receipt and South will earn extra!



South Middle School

Proudly presents

2024-2025 Quarter 3 Grade 6

R³ Award














CONGRATULATIONS!

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Proudly presents

2024-2025 Quarter 3 Grade 7

R³ Award























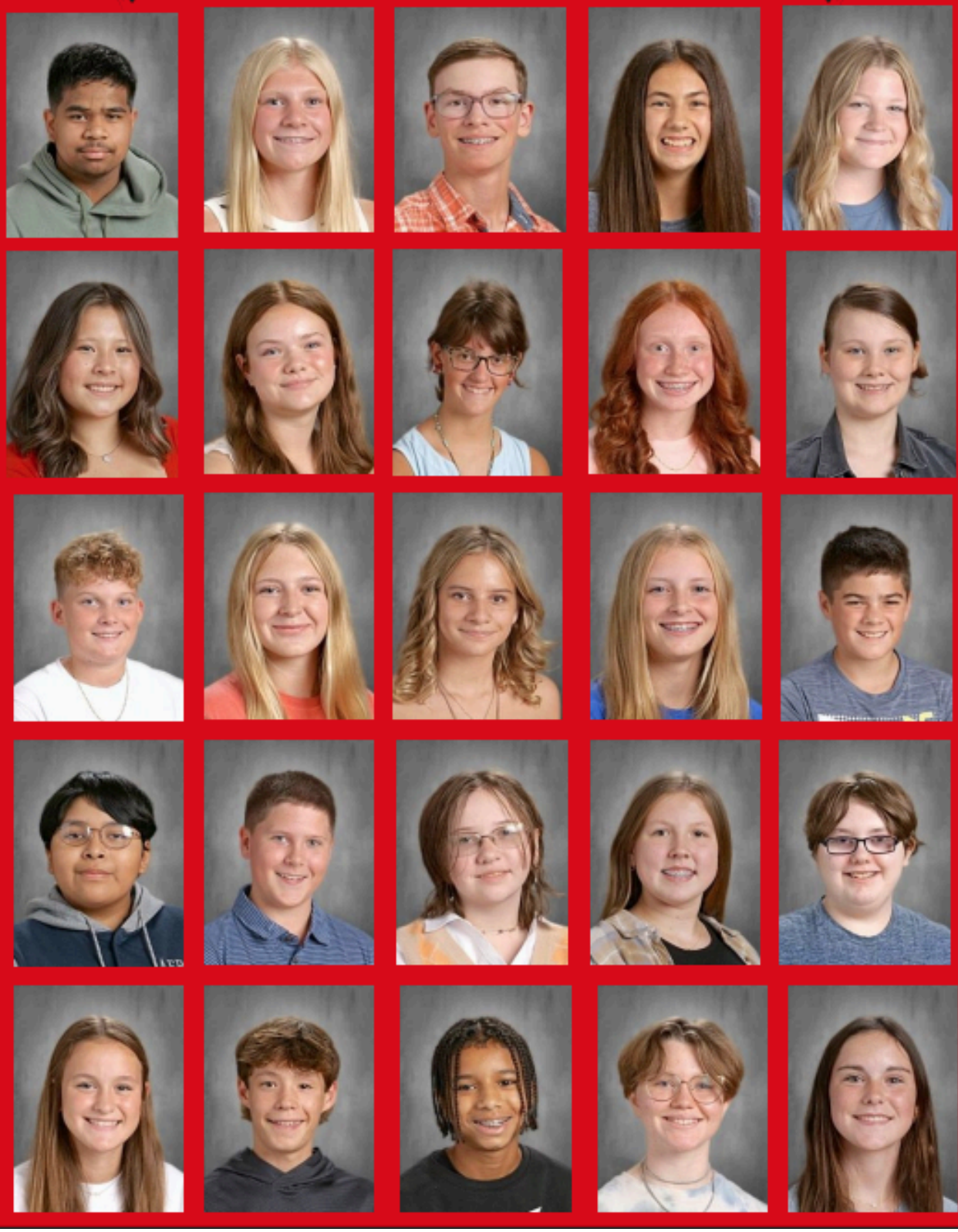


South Middle School

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2024-2025 Quarter 3 Grade 8

R³ Award



IMPORTANT LINKS

May Lunch Menu

ECASD Family Service Webpage

South Middle School Website

My School Bucks

Check balance and deposit money into your child's lunch account

ECASD School Calendar

Community Events

Family Tech Support Information

Skyward Family Access

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