



SHES IMPORTANT DATES

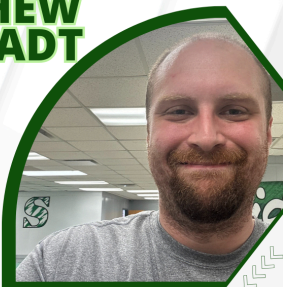
Aug. 13 - First Day of School
Aug. 20 - First Day of School for Preschool Students
Aug. 20 - Ice Cream
Aug. 21 - SBDM @ 3:45 PM
Aug. 25 - Kona Ice
Aug. 28 - Fall Picture Day
Aug. 29 - Tiger Treats
Sept. 1 - NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)

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**MATTHEW
KONRADT**

CUSTODIAN



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DR. KIM HAND

SCHOOL
PSYCHOLOGIST



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**OLIVIA
BULLOCK**

2ND GRADE TEACHER



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SHERRIE PRICE

SPECIAL
EDUCATION AIDE



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**CASSONIA
DAVIS**

3RD GRADE TEACHER



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**CAMMIE
MOUNCE**

HEAD CUSTODIAN



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**CAROLYN
CONLEY**

2ND GRADE
TEACHER



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**AMANDA
LAKES**

SPECIAL EDUCATION
AIDE



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PAM DEAN

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**AUTUMN
EMERSON**

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**TRISH
HATHAWAY**

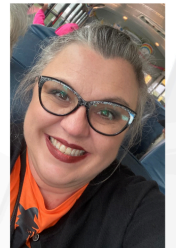
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GAMBLE**

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SHES NEWS



SHES hosts Kindergarten Kick-Off

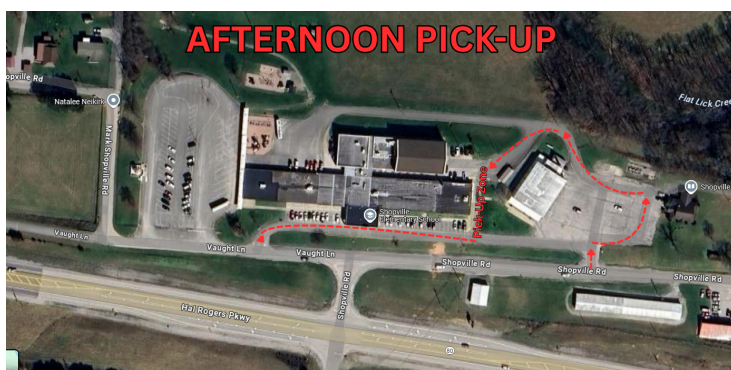
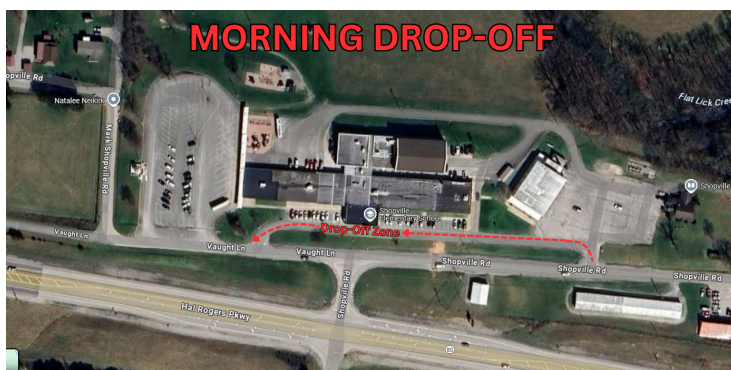
SHES hosted Kindergarten Kick-Off on July 17th and 18th. It was a great time for our staff to meet our newest kindergartners!



Drop-Off & Pick-Up procedures for the 2025-2026 school year

Morning Drop-Off Procedures: Students may be dropped off at the front entrance beginning at 7:30 AM. Vehicles need to drop off in a single-file line. It is dangerous and unacceptable to drop your child off in the fire lane and walk across the parent drop-off line. We will have staff members to assist your child with getting out of the vehicles. When waiting in line, please encourage your child to have his/her supplies ready to go so that the line isn't delayed. If your child needs extra time to unload from the vehicle or gather their things, please pull into one of the open parking spots available at the front of the building. Due to safety concerns, parents are NOT permitted to walk their child to class in the mornings.

Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures: Cars will enter the east parking lot and follow the yellow parent pick-up lane to the east end doors. Parent pick-up will begin at 3:15 PM. We will load four vehicles at a time. Once the four cars are all loaded, those cars will be released to provide room for the next four cars in line. Please do not get out of the vehicle. If you need to buckle





your child in, please pull to the front of the school to keep the flow of parent pick-up moving. Daily parent pick-up in the front office is available if you are unable to wait in the pick-up line, but children needing to be picked up in the office will have to wait until after 3:30 PM for that option. We will not be doing daily parent pick-up in the front office before 3:30 PM this year.

SHES rolls out new #EarnYourStripes motto

In the Classroom: When you #EarnYourStripes in the classroom, it means you're working hard to do your best. You ask questions when you need help, you try your best on assignments, and you celebrate the progress you are making in the classroom — whether you're learning something new or getting better at something you've already learned.

Being a Good Friend: Being a Shopville Tiger means you treat everyone with respect and kindness. Whether you're playing on the playground or working together in class, you show others how to be a good friend and teammate. When you #EarnYourStripes by being kind and helpful, you make our school a better place for everyone.

Joining in School Activities: You can also #EarnYourStripes by getting involved in fun activities like sports, clubs, and school events.

Whether you're playing on a team, showing school spirit, or just helping out, you're doing your part to make Shopville Elementary an awesome place to be.





Working Hard, Even When It's Tough:
Sometimes things can be tricky, but when you #EarnYourStripes, you don't give up. You keep trying, ask for help if you need it, and keep going until you get better. Shopville people are known for working hard and earning their own stripes every day in the real world, and that is the same motto that we are going to live by at Shopville Elementary.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT

Pulaski County Schools Community,

We are excited once again to be starting a new school year. The summer has flown by and our staff has been working hard in trainings and preparing our buildings for students to return. I hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer and ready to get started.

There are some changes with our facilities this year. The new Burnside Elementary is complete and the Burnside staff has been busy preparing the new school for students' arrival on Wednesday, August 13, 2025. There will be a community-wide ribbon cutting and open house on Sunday, August 10, 2025 at 2:00 p. m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Along with the new school has come some changes with HWY 1247. The KYTC is busy working to make changes to entering and exiting school property safely. There will be a marked detour route that we ask school visitors and traffic to use coming to and leaving school from West Hwy 90 to Burnside south on 27. We are very excited for the Burnside students and community to get to experience this beautiful new school!

Also, things may look a little different at Northern Middle School to start the new school year. We have begun a major renovation project this summer. The much overdue renovation will be a 2-year project, including an extension to the cafeteria, new kitchen, new HVAC system, new windows and doors, increased parking and much more. Over the next 2 years you will see changes, possibly day to day. There will be times we need to be flexible as we work through making this a successful renovation, to make the school a great learning environment for our students.

This past legislative session created some new laws that our schools must implement. The one that has caused the most discussion has been the traceable communication bill (SB181). The bill says that students may not communicate with school employees or volunteers outside of the district



wide approved communication platforms. If your student needs to communicate with these individuals because of sports or extracurricular programs, or if they are family friends or family, there is a waiver that can be completed by parents for this communication to take place. The intent of the legislation is good, however there are many unintended consequences that still need to be worked out before it will become fully effective as intended.

A few other legislative actions that will be affecting schools this fall is the Cell Phone Bill and the Moment of Silence Bill. I ask parents to speak to their children before the start of school so the expectations for these things are understood. The Cell Phone Bill bans the use of cell phones during instructional time during the school day. There can be exceptions for medical situations or if a teacher gives permission for a student to use their cell phone. The expectation of the law is that students will not have access to their cell phones during instructional time which leads to distractions.

The other item that was passed by the legislature is the mandatory moment of silence. Many of our schools already do this to begin their days, however this requires schools at the beginning of each day to allow for a moment of silence or reflection for no less than one minute. The only expectation during that moment is for students remain quiet and respectful. Please have a conversation with your child about this moment of silence.

Pulaski County Schools are still in need of bus drivers. Our transportation department has been working hard organizing routes to get ready for the start of school. Due to the shortage of drivers, parents may be asked to meet the bus at pick up and drop off points closer to your home, in lieu of requiring parents to transport all the way to school. We will only do this in situations where it is absolutely necessary. We ask for your patience as we work through these difficult times with transportation.

Student attendance needs to be a focus for our students. In the years following the pandemic it has been a national trend for a lack of focus on students and parents making school attendance a priority. Pulaski County is no different, as we are seeing the same trend. It's plain and simple, if a student is not at school, learning cannot take place. Sure, people get sick and during this time students should not come to school. However, the sense of urgency that we as parents need to have has been lacking. It has become too easy to have excuses for student not in school when they need to be. I simply ask parents to make school a priority for your children. It is best for their future and yours.

We are also very excited about our district police department. We have been working hard to get officers in place at each school to start the year. We have a great group of officers. The formation of the new department will bring more consistency and flexibility as compare to the

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past. The officers are certified police officers and have the authority and arrest powers as all other law enforcement. School safety will always remain the top priority for our students and staff.

I hope everyone is ready for a great 2025-26 school year. I know our staff is excited and ready, and I know our students will be ready as well. I look forward to seeing everyone on our first day of school Wednesday, August 13, 2025!

Patrick Richardson, Superintendent
Pulaski County Schools





MISSION STATEMENT: Shopville Elementary (SHES) will provide an academically focused, nurturing environment to meet the needs of each student and ensure that they have the skills necessary to be successful in the 21st century.

VISION: Preparing today's children for tomorrow's challenges.

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