# TigerTimes

Sherrard Jr/Sr High Newsletter

**November 2025** 

Alex Johnson, High School Principal Brady Stromquist, Jr. High Principal

#### November 1

Music Boosters Triivia Night - 6p

#### November 4

Winter Sports Handbook Mtg - 6p Winter Team Meetings - 6:30p

#### **November 5**

Early dismissal - 1p Booster Club Meeting - 6p

#### November 7

Red Cross Blood Drive - 8a-1p

#### November 11

Veterans Assebly - 9:45a

#### **November 12**

School Board meeting - 6p

#### November 14

GBB & WR pictures - 2:45p

#### **November 21**

BBB/Cheer/Dance pictures - 2:45p

### November 26-28

No school

# **Athletics / Activities**

Get up to date athletic and activities schedules on the Sherrard SNAP! website:

https://schools.snap.app/SherrardHS

# **Principal's Note**

The year is moving right along and the staff at SHS is truly thankful for the support from our community and also thankful for the great students that we are able to serve each day!

We had many successes in our fall athletic season. Both of our Cross Country teams won conference for the second year in a row and are poised for a successful postseason. Volleyball has a stellar record of 28-4 heading into postseason and our Football squad had two impressive victories over Kewanee and Orion recently. Also, I would like to take a moment and thank all of our seniors for their dedication to Sherrard athletics.

In the Fine Arts, we have had many notable events. The band placed 2nd at a competition in Metamora and competed in the TRAC Conference Band festival on October 28th. The Drama department performed their fall play The Odyssey with great success. Their winter show is already in the planning stages, which will be the classic, Little Women.

Congratulations to Mrs. Lopez and Mrs. Boraas respectively for recently being named employees of the month by the Rock Island Regional Office of Education.

Lastly, I would also like to invite the community to our November 11th, Veterans Day Assembly at Sherrard High School. Please check the district website for more information. This is one of the many highlights throughout the course of the year for the Sherrard District.

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# **Stay informed!**

Daily high school announcements will be posted on the Sherrard High School website. Please visit the website daily for information about all things happening at the high school. The link below will take you directly to the announcements: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/results?search\_query=sherrard+morning+announcements+TV">https://www.youtube.com/results?search\_query=sherrard+morning+announcements+TV</a>

You may also want to connect to our District social media accounts.

### Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/sherrardschooldistrict -

Facebook ID is "Sherrard School District"

## Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/sher-rardschooldistrict/

Handle is SherrardSchoolDistrict

## Twitter:

https://twitter.com/home Handle is @SherrardSchools



## **November Reminders**

November 5th - Early Dismissal, 1:00 PM November 11th - Veteran's Day Program November 26 - 28, No School - Happy Thanksgiving!

Educationally yours, Alex Johnson High School Principal

# JH Principal's Notes

The first quarter has come and gone and students are a couple of weeks into the second quarter. Students that fail a class for the first semester may have to make up that class during the second semester, which could take the place of their elective. If your student is struggling academically, we have tools that could help. Please be on the lookout for your student's teachers and/or the office contacting you about help for your student.

The Veterans' Day assembly is quickly approaching. We will again be in session on Veterans' Day, which is November 11th. We will be hosting an all school assembly to honor veterans. Information has been shared on social media and through email. If you have any questions, please contact the Junior High Office.

Boys Basketball practice has started. It's not too late if your son is interested, but please contact the JH office as soon as possible. Wrestling and volleyball will be starting soon. Sign ups for both are in the JH Office. Be sure your student's physical that is on file with the school is up to date. If you are unsure, please contact the Junior High Office. Girls basketball IESA Regionals will be starting soon. Please be on the lookout for more information.

After defeating Rockridge in the season finale, the football team finished the season at 5-1. The boys competed in every game and finished the season in second place in the Prairieland Conference. The JH Cross Country team also finished their first season in the IESA with great numbers. The 10 runners combined with runners from Matherville finished in the top 10 in every meet they competed in including the IESA Class 2A Sectional Meet.

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# Student of the Month

HIGH SCHOOL - September

Vocational: Jenna Day Business: Archer Faith PE/Health: Brennan Cresap Science: Madilynn Daves Math: Marley Prescott

**Special Forces:** Grace Messerly

**English-** Justine Elsbury **Fine Arts:** Cael Smoldt

Social Studies: Cameron Sennet

HIGH SCHOOL - October

English: Luke Anderson

Math: Keira Miller Science: Emma Prescott

Social Studies: Adalynn Thomas

Vocational: Hannah Schmidt
Fine Arts: Brennan Cresap
PE/Health: Asher Stanley
Business: Hazelle McCleary
Special Forces: Rosie Ramos

**JUNIOR HIGH** 

English: Brennan Moffitt
Science: Elana (Max) Dawson
PE/Health: Ainsley Groth

Math: Emily Bynum
Fine Arts: Tinsley Porter

Social Studies: Delaney Whelchel

**Service:** Nate Pratt

Skills Development: Ava Cornell

Striving for Excellence:

Myles Davis

# Upcoming dates

November 5th - Early Dismissal November 26th - 28th - No school

Our number one goal is for your student to get the best education possible. Together we can make this attainable. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely, Brady Stromquist JH Principal

# **Music Boosters Trivia Night!**

The Sherrard Music Boosters are hosting a Trivia Night on Saturday, November 1st beginning at 6pm. Tables/Teams registration costs \$80, and can include up to 8 people. The doors will open at 5pm. If you would like to reserve a table, please contact Callen Sederquist at <a href="mailto:sederquistc@sherrard.us">sederquistc@sherrard.us</a> or by phone at 309-593-2175 ext. 1208.

Tables can be paid for at the door.

# **Junior Senate**

The junior senate would like to thank all those who purchased Scratch Cupcakes from their fundraiser. Cupcakes were delivered to the high school on October 30th, so you should have received them by now. If not, please contact Lori Arnold at the high school.

Just a reminder Mr. SHS is scheduled for March 13th in the high school auditorium at 7 p.m.



Also Prom will be in April this year (the 18th). Coronation will be at 9:00 p.m. Again it will be at the Camden Center in Milan with DJ GeigerMeister.

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# From the HS Counseling/Academic Center:

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

# **All School Senate**

Join the All School Senate for our second annual Biscuits and Gravy Fundraiser on Saturday, December 6th! We'll be at the Viola Community Center during the Christmas in the Village Event.

Enjoy some warm biscuits and gravy while helping us support a great cause: Operation Santa. Keep an eye on our Sherrard High School Facebook page for more information about ticket prices and serving times, which will be available soon!

# College Visits:

A reminder that Seniors are allowed 2 college visit days as excused absences, and Juniors are allowed 1. **Spring Exception:** Seniors are granted **one additional college visit day** on **Wednesday, April 22nd**, which aligns with the ACT testing date for Juniors..

Did you know that you can receive daily or weekly notifications from your student's <u>Google Classrooms</u>? As a guardian, you can get email summaries about your student's activity in Classroom. Email summaries do not include grades.

In email summaries, you can review:

Missing work—Work not turned in when the summary was sent.

Upcoming work—Work that's due today and tomorrow (for daily emails) or that's due in the upcoming week (for weekly emails).

Class activities—Announcements, assignments, and questions recently posted by teachers.

To get email summaries of your student's work, you must accept an email invitation from a teacher. You can unsubscribe from summaries or remove yourself as a quardian at any time.

Steps to receive notification:

- 1. The teacher emails you an invitation to join your student's class.
- 2. In your email program, open your email invitation and accept.

In addition, the parent portal on Infinite Campus is a great tool to monitor grades and assignments. If you do not have a parent portal, or cannot gain access to yours, please contact Jen Thurman to get it set up at <a href="mailto:thurman@sherrard.us">thurman@sherrard.us</a>

Is your student struggling with any classes? If so, Sherrard High School offers *After School Study Hall*.

When: Days vary each week

**Time:** After school until 5 pm (activity bus available for transportation home)

\*Teachers supervise to provide support if needed Please reach out to the Counseling Department if you want your student to attend.



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# Christmas Assistance Program Form Now Available

The Sherrard School District, in partnership with local churches and community organizations, is once again gathering information to provide Christmas support to families in need. If your family would benefit from assistance this holiday season, please complete the confidential Google Form. The form requests basic information, including contact details and sizing for any children in the family. Please note that completing the form does not quarantee assistance due to limited resources. Families who will be receiving support will be contacted directly via email by Stacey Blackwell, Sherrard School Counselor, as the holidays approach.

Click <u>HERE</u> to complete the Google form.

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## Senior Parents:

**FAFSA**: Reminder to complete the FAFSA or fill out the Non-Participation form. Forms can be found in the counseling office.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**: Scholarships are posted in two different places: (1) On the Senior Google Classroom (ask your student if they have joined)

(2) On the High School Webpage - click HERE

**COLLEGE APPLICATIONS:** Students who plan on attending college next year should be working on their college applications. Appointments can be made with Mrs. Drish in the Counseling Office for help, support, or questions about the process.

### Social/Emotional Information

We will continue to counsel students both socially/emotionally and academically. Students and parents can reach out via email if they have any questions or concerns.

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Tips to Maintain Your Mental Health in the Upcoming Winter Months

- Get outside and exercise when you can
- · Keep up healthy eating habits and sleep routine
- · Have a support system and stay connected
- Be mindful, relax, and practice stress reduction techniques

Make sure to take care of your mental health and see the sunnier side of the upcoming winter!

## **Holiday Resources** -

If your family needs assistance with toys for Christmas, please print and complete the following form found  $\frac{\text{HERE}}{\text{HERE}}$  for the Mercer County Clearinghouse. The form must be returned by 12/11/25 for toys to the following address -

Christmas Clearinghouse PO Box 121 Aledo, IL 61231

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# **Tiger Closet**

We have kept our Amazon Wish List up to date, but we know many are not Amazon shoppers and would still like to contribute. Here is a list of our "greatest needs." As always, we appreciate everyone's support, this labor of love wouldn't be possible without the community support we receive.

#### Needs:

- Laundry detergent
- Laundry stain remover
- Dryer sheets
- Dish soap
- Tampons
- Hair ties
- Face wash
- Face moisturizer
- Deodorant
- Hair dryers
- Toilet paper

For those that do want to use the Amazon Wish List, <u>click</u> <u>here</u> for it.

If you have any questions you can contact:
Vanessa Schulenberg at schulenbergv@sherrard.us or Erin DeKeyrel at dekeyrele@sherrard.us.



# **NHS**

The National Honor Society volunteered at Winola Elementary, where members helped kindergarten students with a fun pumpkin painting activity. Our students served as positive role models by also assisting the younger kids with reading, worksheets, and enjoying playtime outside. The volunteer opportunity was a great success, and all participants truly enjoyed it.



# **NOVEMBER 2025**

# Sherrard School District K-12 Breakfast Menu

Menu Subject to Change This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Applications for free/reduced meals are available at each attendance center or on the district website.	November 13 <sup>th</sup> World Kindness Day	•	SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT Early Dismissal November 5th
Mini Breakfast Loaf Snack Cookie ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Cinnamon Super Stix ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Muffin ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Mini Cinnis ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Cereal Bar Cheese Stick ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice
Fruit Frudel  ½ Cup Fruit  ½ Cup 100% Juice  Milk Choice	Mini Bagel ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Mini Waffles/Syrup ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Mini Breakfast Loaf ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Sausage Pancake Bites ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice
Muffin ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Cereal Bowl Snack Cookie ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Mini Pancakes/Syrup ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Cinnamon Crunch Bar ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	Whole Grain Poptart ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice
Mini Cinnis  ½ Cup Fruit  ½ Cup 100% Juice  Milk Choice	Mini Bagel ½ Cup Fruit ½ Cup 100% Juice Milk Choice	No School 26	No School 27	No School 28

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# Sherrard Jr-Sr High School Lunch Menu

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	Applications for free/reduced meals are available at each attendance center or on the district website.	November 13 <sup>th</sup> World Kindness Day	•	SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT Early Dismissal November 5th
Cheese Dippers Green Beans Broccoli Mixed Fruit Milk Choice	Chicken Fries Baked Beans Celery – Peaches Scooby Grahams Milk Choice	Mini Corn Dogs Corn Carrots Pineapple Milk Choice	Pulled Pork/Bun Tater Tots Broccoli Applesauce Milk Choice	Deep Dish Cheese Pizza Fries Carrots Apple Milk Choice
Toasted Ravioli Cheese Stick Corn – Celery Applesauce Milk Choice	Mexican Lasagna Tater Tots Carrots Sliced Apples Milk Choice	Italian Pull A Part Marinara Sauce Fries – Green Beans Peaches Milk Choice	Chicken Tenders Baked Beans Broccoli – Sunchips Mixed Fruit Milk Choice	Pizza Crunchers Mixed Vegetables Carrots Pineapple Milk Choice
Cheeseburger/Bun Tater Tots Carrots Peaches Milk Choice	Lasagna Roll Up Breadstick Corn - Celery Pears Milk Choice	Meatball Sub Fries Celery Applesauce Milk Choice	Turkey Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Corn – Fruit Cookie – Milk Choice Happy Thanksgiving	Cheese Ripper Baked Beans Broccoli Mixed Fruit Milk Choice
Crispitos Tater Tots Refried Beans Apple Milk Choice	Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Corn – Applesauce Cookie Milk Choice	No School 26	No School 27	No School 28