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SOUTHMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

ALL HAIL SOUTHMORELAND

Check Out The Latest Scottie News!!!!

- *Winter Break Information*
- *Mr. Pritts - - Athletic Director of the Year!!!!*
- *Winter Weather Notifications Reminder*
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Winter Recess

12/19- 2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL

12/22-1/4- WINTER RECESS

1/5 - CLASSES RESUME

HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE



HOLIDAY SEASON!!!

"CULTIVATING LIFELONG LEARNERS READY FOR AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD"



Winter Break Reminder

Winter Break will begin with a **2-hour early dismissal on Friday, December 19.**

School will be **closed from Monday, December 22 through Sunday, January 4.**

Classes will **resume on Monday, January 5.**

From all of us here at Southmoreland, we hope you enjoy a safe, restful, and joyful Winter Break with your families. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new year!

2025 AD OF THE YEAR

BRIAN PRITTS

Southmoreland High School



STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Mr. Pritts never fails to make every student feel included, even on our worst days. He takes the time to talk to us until we're laughing, and every morning we're greeted with a smile, a fist bump, and a warm welcome by name. He makes school events genuinely fun, and he has a special way of bringing the entire school together, laughing, connecting, and enjoying each other instead of arguing. His positivity is something we all feel, and it truly makes a difference.




SNAP! MOBILE

Mr. Pritts - - Athletic Director of the Year!!!!

We're thrilled to share that **Brian Pritts**, Southmoreland's Athletic Director, has been named the **2025 WPIAL Athletic Director of the Year!** This well-deserved recognition celebrates Mr. Pritts' leadership, positive spirit, and dedication to our student-athletes and school community.

A Southmoreland alum who has served our district since 1995—as a teacher, coach, and now Athletic Director—Mr. Pritts embodies the Scottie spirit with his **"We Before Me!"** philosophy and commitment to excellence.

In addition to the honor, Southmoreland will receive **\$500 for our athletic department**, supporting our student-athletes and programs.

Please join us in congratulating Mr. Pritts on this outstanding achievement! [Please check out this article for more information!](#)



**Southmoreland
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WINTER WEATHER

Communications

As we head into the winter months, we want to remind families how Southmoreland School District will communicate any weather-related delays or closings:

- ✓ **Mass Communications:**
Texts, Calls, Emails
- ✓ **Social Media:** X and Facebook
- ✓ **News Outlets:** WPXI,
WTAE, KDKA
- ✓ **District Website**

Stay Informed!



Winter Weather Notifications Reminder

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If a schedule change occurs, we will notify families through:

Mass Communications (text message, phone call, and email)

District Social Media Accounts

District Website

Local News Outlets

Please be sure your contact information is up to date in CSIU and keep an eye on these communication channels whenever winter weather is expected. Our goal is to keep everyone informed quickly and clearly.

Thank you for your attention and stay safe!



Remote Instruction Letter

Please take a moment to review the [attached letter](#) outlining our **Remote Instruction protocols and practices** for the upcoming winter months. This document provides important information about expectations for students, how instruction will be delivered, attendance procedures, and specific supports for our youngest learners.

We encourage all families to read the letter carefully so you are fully prepared should a Remote Instruction Day be needed.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support of our students and schools.



At Southmoreland, we cultivate learners that.....



A

Accountability is developed through honesty, accepting responsibility, meeting obligations, learning from mistakes, fostering trust and reliability.

R

Resiliency involves bouncing back from challenges, adapting to adversity, maintaining optimism, persisting through difficulties, fostering strength and growth.

C

Citizenship is demonstrated through respectful behavior, participation, volunteering, and community service, fostering positive contributions.

E

Empathy is shown through understanding, compassion, perspective-taking, supporting others, fostering connection and mutual respect.



SOUTHMORELAND PORTRAIT OF A LEARNER
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