



THE PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

South Woods Middle School Late March Updates



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are so excited to welcome spring with lots of fun, enriching, and exciting activities wrapped around some other required tasks, such as New York State Assessments.

Here are some key reminders and lots of links with ways to get involved and support students and programs at South Woods. **Please read the bullets below carefully, and as always, never hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.**

NYS ELA Assessment Reminder

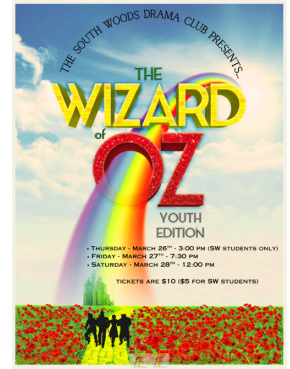
As a reminder, the NYS ELA Assessment will be administered **Wednesday, April 15th and Thursday, April 16th between 8:00 - 10:35 a.m.** to all grades.

- Please make sure your child has a good night's sleep, eats a healthy breakfast, and comes prepared with charged chromebooks, pens, and sharpened pencils
- Students may bring an allergy-friendly snack and water.
- **Cell phones and all personal electronic devices, including AirPods and smart watches, are PROHIBITED in all testing locations.**
- Students arriving late to school on test days will check in at the main lobby. Please keep in mind that many students will be arriving so give your child plenty of time to make it to period 1, which will begin at 10:40 a.m.



Applause!

Our school's production of "The Wizard of Oz" was absolutely fantastic! We couldn't help but sing along with the cast. A big shout-out to all participants and advisors for their hard work!



Thank You!

We extend our gratitude to our PTSA for organizing a fantastic spring Book Fair.

Guest Chef!

Monday, **April 13th** our kitchen staff will be joined by a special "Guest Chef" who will be serving honey fire chicken with popcorn. Yum!



Moving Up!

Eighth grade families: Save the date! The 2026 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony will be held at the Tilles Center on the campus of LIU Post on **Monday, June 15, 2026 at 4:00 PM**. More details will be communicated shortly.



PTSA HAPPENINGS:

Please see the South Woods PTSA Information link on our school website for more information about all of the amazing activities sponsored by our PTSA:



JOIN NOW!

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SCAN THE QR CODE WITH THE CAMERA OF YOUR MOBILE PHONE TO SUPPORT AND JOIN THE PTA TODAY!

- It's never too late to become a member! [Membership](#) is the primary source of funding for the enriching opportunities provided to our students. We are always grateful to the PTSA for their support!

- The 8th grade committee is selling cozy blankets for \$25 and Class of 2026 lawn signs for \$30. Orders can be placed at the [PTA STORE](#).



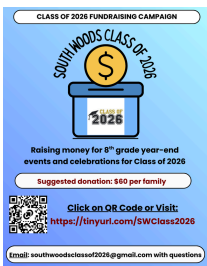
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- Help send our 8th graders off in style! [Donate here](#) towards the South Woods Class of 2026 Crowd-Funding Campaign to provide an unforgettable end-of-year celebration.

- Save the date! The Spring Boutique will be **May 5th & 6th**. Students can shop during their lunch period for Mother's Day, Father's Day, and other fun gifts. Cash and credit card only (no phones allowed).



Lawn Sign



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Lost & Found

The Lost and Found has grown in leaps and bounds over the last few months with jackets, sweatshirts, water bottles, and items of significant value such as watches and jewelry, etc. The SW cafeteria will be open **Tuesday, April 7th - Friday, April 10th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** All unclaimed items will be donated after April 10th.



Dress Code Reminder

We continue to remind all students that the items listed below are not permitted to be worn in classrooms and hallways. Please see the Dress Code/Code of Conduct for more detail.

- Hats, except for medical or religious purposes, are prohibited.
 - Sun protection will be permitted outdoors at recess
- Headphones/AirPods may not be worn in classrooms or in the hallways.
- Hoods may not be worn at any time.

Arrival/Dismissal Reminder

Cyclist Arrival/Dismissal Reminder: Now that the weather is getting nicer we are experiencing more cyclists. Please complete all early dismissal by 2:30 p.m. in order to not impede on regular dismissal. Please review the [SW Arrival/Dismissal Procedures](#).





Commemorate your years at South Woods!

Commemorate your school year with a 2026 SW Yearbook! [Yearbook Ordering Information](#) is now available on the South Woods Home Page. Special Ads must be completed by **April 21st**.

Business Club Apparel Sale

The Business Club is sponsoring a South Woods/Syosset apparel sale. Merchandise available includes tees, sweats, hats, athletic gear, and accessories. Please visit <https://1stplace.sale/69334>. Thank you for your support!



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Calendar Reminder!

School will be closed:

- Spring Recess: **April 2-10th**

Happy Spring Holidays to All!



Ms. Michelle L. Burget
Principal

