

Newsletter



As we close another successful school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the accomplishments, growth, and resilience demonstrated throughout our district.

This year has been filled with learning, achievement, and meaningful experiences for our students. From the classroom to the stage, from athletic competitions to community service projects, our students have continued to demonstrate dedication, creativity, and perseverance.

Their efforts remind us daily of the bright future ahead for our schools and community.

Our graduating seniors have much to celebrate. Collectively, the Class of 2026 earned an impressive [\\$661,348](#) in scholarships, reflecting their hard work, talent, and commitment to excellence. The class also achieved an outstanding [3.2 average cumulative GPA](#), demonstrating consistent academic success throughout their high school careers.

In addition, graduates earned more than 196 academic and career readiness seals and 3 alternative credentials, further highlighting their preparation for life beyond graduation. These accomplishments represent a class that is prepared, determined, and ready to embrace future opportunities.

As our seniors begin their next chapter, approximately 60% will continue their education in college, while others will enter the workforce, enlist in military service, pursue apprenticeships, or begin technical careers. Every pathway chosen by our graduates is valuable, honorable, and essential to the strength of our communities and workforce.

While we celebrate academic accomplishments, we are equally proud of the character our students have demonstrated. Throughout the year, they have shown kindness, resilience, leadership, and a willingness to support one another through both challenges and successes. I would also like to thank our teachers, staff, families, and community members for the support and encouragement you provide to our students each day. Their achievements would not be possible without your partnership and dedication.

As we look ahead to the future, I encourage all of our students to continue striving for excellence, embracing new opportunities, and leading with kindness and integrity. The lessons learned this year—both inside and outside the classroom—will continue to shape the leaders, problem-solvers, and citizens of tomorrow.

On behalf of the entire district, thank you for another outstanding school year. I wish all of our students, families, staff, and community members a safe, restful, and enjoyable summer, and I look forward to the opportunities and successes the new school year will bring.

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Springfield Elementary School had an exciting and memorable year filled with learning opportunities, community involvement, family events, and student achievements across every grade level. Students and staff worked hard to create meaningful experiences both inside and outside the classroom. Kindergarten students enjoyed educational field trips to Molnar Farms and Keystone Safari, giving them hands-on experiences connected to nature, animals, and agriculture.

- First grade students completed a variety of meaningful and engaging learning experiences throughout the year, supported by strong social-emotional learning through Sources of Strength lessons. In December, students enjoyed the Miracle on Easy Street field trip, providing a festive and memorable experience connected to their learning. In February, they celebrated the 100th Day of School with a fun-filled day of activities centered around math, literacy, and creativity. In May, students showcased their learning through animal reports and extended their experiences with a field trip to Living Treasures Animal Park, where they connected classroom learning to real-world exploration. The year concluded with the exciting ABC Countdown, filled with themed activities, surprises, and celebrations of growth and achievement.

- Second grade students participated in an Animal Charity Donation Project, highlighted by a special visit from service animals in appreciation of their efforts. Families were welcomed into the building for Parent Lunches, strengthening school-to-home connections. In partnership with the local library, every second grade student received a library card, and Tiger Tutors provided valuable academic support throughout the year.



Important Dates

SLES Open House
Tuesday, September 8
Time (TBD)

First Day of School
Wednesday,
September 9

Kindergarten First Day
of School
Monday, September 14

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- Third grade students enjoyed a variety of meaningful traditions and learning experiences, including the Special Lady's Tea, Gingerbread House construction, and hands-on science demonstrations with high school students. Students also experienced a unique opportunity as their class names traveled around the moon aboard Artemis. In partnership with the Springfield Public Library, students participated in Wild Ohio science lessons followed by an educational visit to the library.
- Fourth grade students showcased creativity and learning through events such as Christmas Tree Lane and the Wax Museum project. Springfield Elementary also celebrated its largest group of students ever to qualify for PAFA. In addition, fourth graders demonstrated outstanding community service by creating cards, gifts, and projects for residents at Masternick Memorial throughout the year.

Beyond grade-level activities, all students participated in outstanding music concerts, highlighting their talents and dedication. Students also took part in Junior Olympics, promoting teamwork, sportsmanship, and school spirit.

The Springfield Elementary PTO provided tremendous support throughout the year by organizing engaging events such as Halloween parties, Valentine's Day celebrations, and a memorable Carnival Day to conclude the school year.

Springfield Elementary School is proud of the many accomplishments, experiences, and lasting memories created this year. From academic growth and community service to family engagement and student celebrations, it has truly been an exceptional year for students, staff, and families alike.



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Artistic Triumphs & Spring Renewal

The SLIS spring schedule exploded into action on March 19th with our spectacular Fine Arts Night! The hallways transformed into a vibrant gallery, showcasing the incredible creativity, dedication, and raw talent of our student artists. Visitors were blown away by the diverse masterpieces on display.

Following this artistic celebration, our school community enjoyed a well-deserved, refreshing Easter Break from April 3rd to April 6th, allowing everyone to recharge their batteries for the thrilling final stretch of the school year.

Epic Adventures: Washington, D.C. & Beyond

May brought unforgettable adventures, starting with the highly anticipated 8th Grade Washington, D.C.

Trip from May 5th to May 7th! This monumental journey was a massive success. Our oldest students walked through history with an exclusive tour of the Capitol, an immersive trip to the historic battlefields of Gettysburg, an exploration of the world-class Smithsonian museums, and a deeply moving visit to Arlington Cemetery.

Meanwhile, our other grades were busy exploring the world through an action-packed lineup of field trips:

5th & 6th Graders sparked their curiosity with hands-on learning at the Carnegie Science Center. 5th Graders doubled down on the fun by cheering at a high-octane Phantoms hockey game and spending a wild, educational day at the Akron Zoo. 7th Graders enjoyed a fantastic day of socialization and friendly competition with a trip to the mall and Camelot Lanes bowling alley.



Important Dates

5th Grade Orientation
Tuesday, September 1
5:30PM Auditorium

SLIS Meet and Greet
(Open House)
Tuesday, September 1
6PM-7PM

SLIS will be displaying
student artwork at
Education Hall at the
Canfield Fair this fall.
9/2 - 9/7

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A Symphony of Student Talent

May also filled our school with music during the **5th through 8th Grade Band and Choir Concerts**. The sheer talent on stage was undeniable, and the student performances were an absolute hit with parents and faculty alike! We wrapped up our musical calendar with two grand finales: the powerhouse **7th and 8th Grade Choir Concert** on May 27th, followed immediately by the delightful **5th and 6th Grade Choir Concert** on May 28th.

The Ultimate Year-End Celebrations!

We kicked off June with the legendary **TigerFest** on Monday, June 1st! Students started the morning laughing through a special movie screening, then headed down to the stadium for an afternoon of high-energy outdoor activities, games, and sunshine. This unforgettable day would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of our amazing PTO, our dedicated army of **volunteers**, and the wonderful **Mrs. Jones**. Thank you all for making the end of the year so magical! The rewards kept rolling in on Tuesday, June 2nd, with our annual **Honor Roll Cookout**. The grill was fired up as **Mr. Albanese** personally cooked delicious hot dogs to celebrate the hard work and academic excellence of our 7th and 8th-grade honor roll achievers.

As we approach Summer—we want to say a massive **THANK YOU** to our entire school community for a truly phenomenal year. Have a safe, thrilling, and sun-soaked summer, Tigers!



Springfield Local
High School

Dr. David Malone, Principal

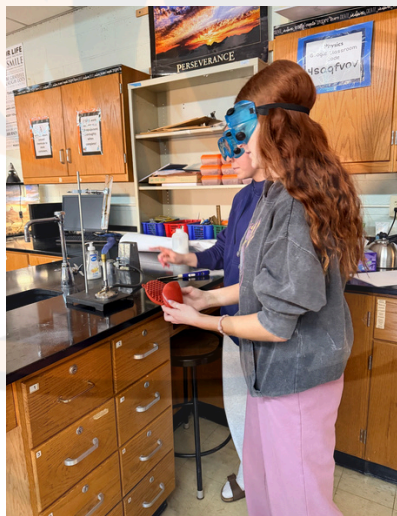
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On March 18, members of the junior class toured the Mahoning County Courthouse and participated in a mock criminal trial led by Mahoning County Prosecuting Attorney and Springfield Township resident Lynn Maro. The experience provided students with a firsthand look at the judicial system and the legal process.

From March 26–28, the senior class traveled to New York City for an educational and cultural experience. Students visited the American Museum of Natural History, Central Park, Times Square, the 9/11 Memorial, Ellis Island, the Statue of Liberty, Battery Park, Chinatown, and Little Italy. The trip also included attendance at the Tony Award-winning Broadway production MJ: The Musical at the Neil Simon Theatre.

On May 8, the Springfield High School Junior Class hosted the annual prom at The Vineyards at Pine Lake. Ally Guerriero was crowned Prom Queen, and Cooper Ensley was crowned Prom King.



Important Dates

Homecoming Parade
Wednesday,
September 23

SLHS Teacher Meet
and Greet Friday,
September 25

Homecoming Game
Friday, September 25

Homecoming Dance
Saturday, September 26

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Springfield Local School District celebrated commencement exercises on May 31, as 74 seniors received their diplomas. The Class of 2026 valedictorians were Caitlin Blankenship, Nathaniel Borosky, Paige McCalla, and Lily Robinson. Matthew Wymer was recognized as salutatorian, and Nathan Hephner served as class president.

The Class of 2026 earned more than \$661,348 in scholarships and achieved an average cumulative GPA of 3.2. Collectively, students earned more than 196 academic and career readiness seals, three industry-recognized credentials, and included one graduate who enlisted in the United States Navy. More than 60 percent of graduates plan to attend college in the fall, while others will enter the workforce, begin apprenticeships, or pursue technical careers.

Springfield High School also implemented a new attendance incentive program during the school year. The initiative proved highly successful, resulting in a significant improvement in student attendance. Students who met designated attendance requirements were eligible to earn a voucher that could be used in place of a midterm or final exam. A total of 102 students earned vouchers during the first semester, while 125 students qualified during the second semester.



Springfield Local
Sports Highlights

Mr. Sean Guerriero, Athletic Director

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SOFTBALL -

12-10 Overall,
MVAC Record 8-8

Mike Rubosky MVAC Coach of the year

Brooklyn Chachko All-MVAC 1st Team

Makenna Wymer All-MVAC 2nd Team

Kensley Schrode All-MVAC 2nd Team

Giuliana Battaglini All-MVAC 2nd Team

Gina Romeo MVAC Honorable Mention

Softball team won Sectional Final over Waterloo 11-4

BASEBALL-

14-12 Overall

9-5 3RD Place in the MVAC

Noah Troggio - All-MVAC 1st Team Infielder

Jaxon Minetti - All-MVAC 1st Team Pitcher

Alec Fusco - All-MVAC 2nd Team Catcher

Ben Catlos - All-MVAC 2nd Team Outfield

Jackson Ensley - All-MVAC Honorable Mention

Baseball team won Sectional over Oberlin 4-1

Baseball Team won District Semi over Independence 2-1



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TRACK -

Qualified for Regionals

Girls

3 Relays qualified for Regionals

4x800 Berkly Corey, Regina Miller, Gwenn Patoray, Gabrielle Girondi

4x200 - Maren Vinkler, Maddie Page, Riley Wolfe, Julia Vecchione

4x400 - Maren Vinkler, Maddie Page, Riley Wolfe, Alex Fiumara

100 H - Julia Vecchione

400 M - Riley Wolfe

Boys

2 Relays qualified for Regionals

4x200 Alex Caldwell, Mike Tuscano, Marco Gentile, Matt Wymer

4x400 Mike Tuscano, Matt Wymer, Brody Sanders, Steve Morlan

Matt Wymer in the 400M, 100 M

Steve Morlan in High Jump

Mike Tuscano in the 200

Qualified for the State Track Meet

2 Relays qualified for State Track Meet

4x200 Alex Caldwell, Mike Tuscano, Marco Gentile, Matt Wymer

4x400 Mike Tuscano, Matt Wymer, Brody Sanders, Steve Morlan

Matt Wymer in the 400

State Track Meet

4x200 - Placed 15th - Caldwell, Tuscano, M.Gentile, Wymer

4x400 Placed 14th - Tuscano, Sanders, Morlan, Wymer

Matt Wymer 5th Place in the 400M.

MS TRACK & FIELD

MVAC Track Meet

Emma Zitcovic won the Girls MVP



*Congratulations to our 2026
Retirees!*

**Mr. Michael Dunn
Mrs. Patricia Ivan
Mrs. Nancy Pitts
Mr. David Tessean
Mrs. Jacqui Zocolo**