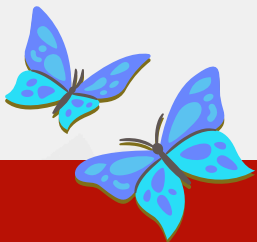
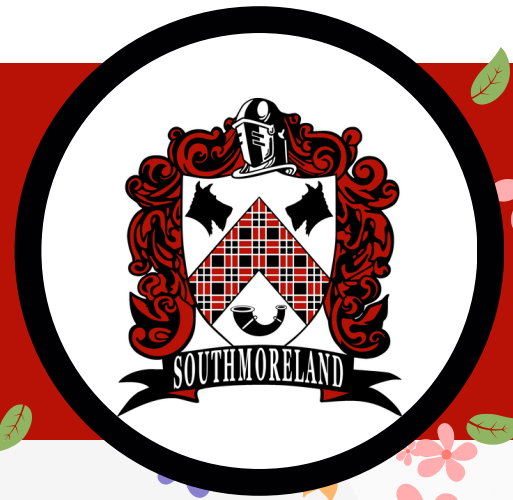




Southmoreland

District Newsletter

2025 - 2026



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EDITION





WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SOUTHMORELAND

HERE'S WHAT'S UP!

- Musical
- Kennywood Picnic
- Idlewild Picnic
- Scottie Paws-itivity
- Registration 26-27
- Transportation 26-27
- Teacher Appreciation
- SPC
- SES
- SMS
- SHS
- Athletics

If it
DOESN'T
CHALLENGE
YOU
it won't
CHANGE YOU



Newsies

The Broadway musical





Friday, June 12, 2026

SOUTHMORELAND

Tickets only

\$32.99

if purchased by May 18th

(price increases to \$35.99 after above deadline)

**FOLLOW THE STEP-BY-STEP PURCHASE
INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 AND SAVE TODAY!**



www.kennywood.com



**Kennywood®**

BUY EARLY AND SAVE!

PURCHASE INSTRUCTIONS TO VISIT ON YOUR JUNE 12th SCHOOL DATE FOR AS LOW AS \$32.99:

STEP 1: Go to www.kennywood.com/schools

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STEP 3: Enter Promo Code **southmoreland** in the Promotional Code box, then click 'Check Code'

STEP 4: After the green checkmark appears, click 'Get Tickets' and complete the remaining steps to purchase your tickets!

PURCHASE INSTRUCTIONS TO VISIT ANY DATE OF CHOICE THROUGH JULY 12th FOR \$37.99:

(if you are unable to visit on the date selected at time of purchase, you can visit any day through July 12th)

STEP 1: Go to www.kennywood.com/schools

STEP 2: Locate the 'Flex School Admission' box

STEP 3: Enter Promo Code **southmorelandflex** in the Promotional Code box, then click 'Check Code'

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**Good Any Day tickets will only be available for purchase through June 30th.*



**RAINY DAY
GUARANTEE**

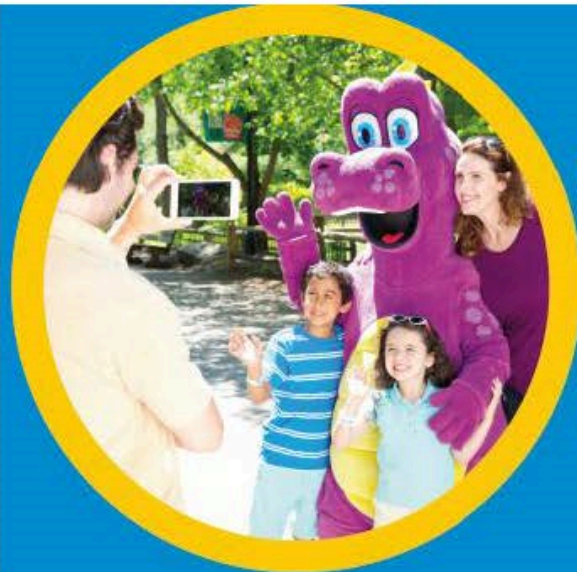
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Visit KENNYWOOD.COM for up-to-date park operating dates and hours. Park operating dates, hours and prices are subject to change. Online offer only. No refunds for online purchases. We offer a Rainy Day Guarantee! If the weather gets in the way during your visit, we'll give you a free ticket to return another day.



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LEARN MORE ABOUT
YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT DAY AT

Idlewild[®]
-AND-
SoakZone[®]

Friday, June 26, 2026

SOUTHMORELAND

Tickets only

\$29.99

if purchased by May 18th

(price increases to \$31.99 after above deadline)

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BUY EARLY AND SAVE!

PURCHASE INSTRUCTIONS TO VISIT ON YOUR JUNE 26th SCHOOL DATE FOR AS LOW AS \$29.99:

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STEP 3: Enter Promo Code **southmoreland** in the Promotional Code box,
then click 'Check Code'
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the remaining steps to purchase your tickets!

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Scottie Paws-itivity



"The things that scare you
only make you better and stronger"
Octavia Spencer





**BACK TO
SCHOOL**



SOUTHMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGISTRATION

Grades 1-12 only

**ENROLLMENT
ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY**

May 4th - July 31st

Lori Herman, District Registrar
registrar@southmoreland.net
724-887-2000 *7202

Please call the
registrar for an
in-person
appointment for
no computer or
internet





**BACK
TO
SCHOOL**



2026-2027

**Any transportation changes
must be submitted no later
than July 10th**

Shera Barnhart

barnharts@southmoreland.net

724-887-2036



YOU ARE
THE
BEST

*Thank you for
going above
& beyond.*



Walmart visited Southmoreland schools to bring a little pep!

Happy Teacher Appreciation Day to all the incredible educators out there - you are truly appreciated!

you are
AMAZING





SOUTHMORELAND PRIMARY CENTER

Bring Your Child To Work Day!!

by Mr. Ron Heitchue, Principal

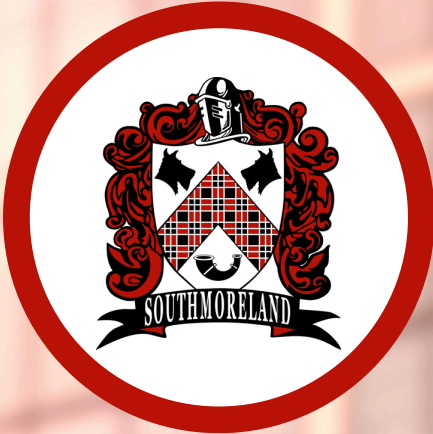
A full house at SPC today!
We loved celebrating Bring Your Child to Work Day with our staff and their amazing kiddos!





SOUTHMORELAND PRIMARY CENTER

SPC *Career Day*



GOALS



CAREER





SOUTHMORELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THANK YOU



A HUGE thank you to Fox's Pizza Den of Scottdale for so generously donating lunch for our faculty today during Teacher Appreciation Week!

We are incredibly thankful for local businesses that continue to pour back into our schools and community.



YOU ARE THE BEST



SOUTHMORELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

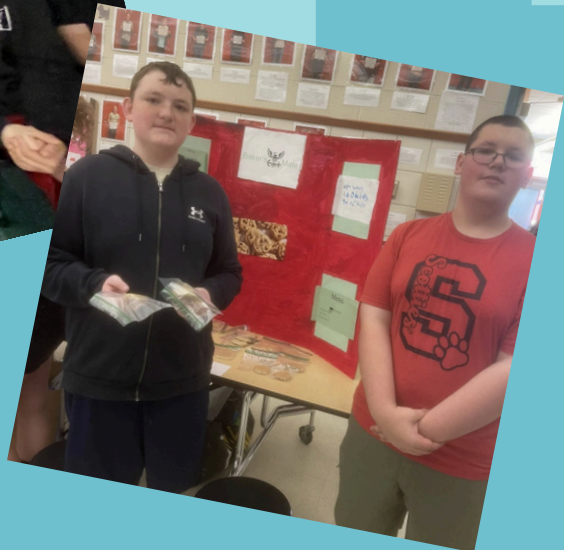
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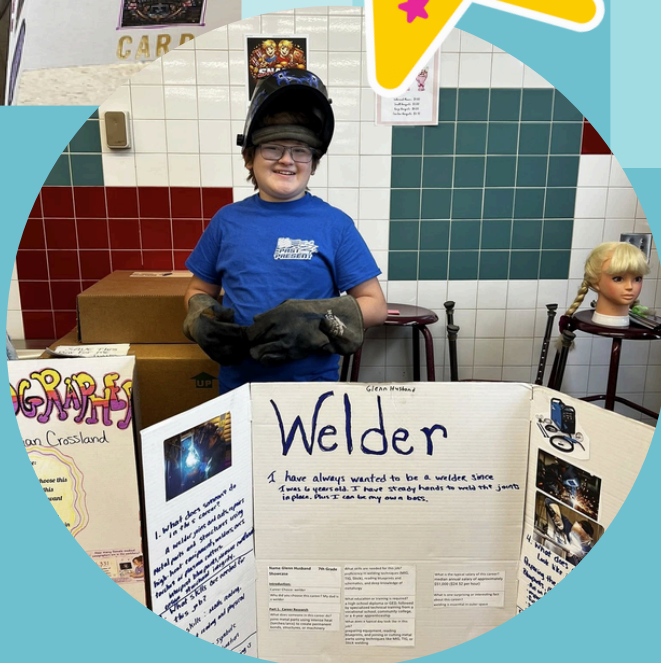
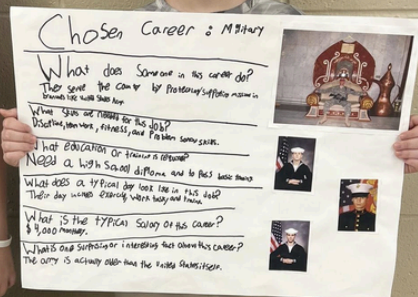
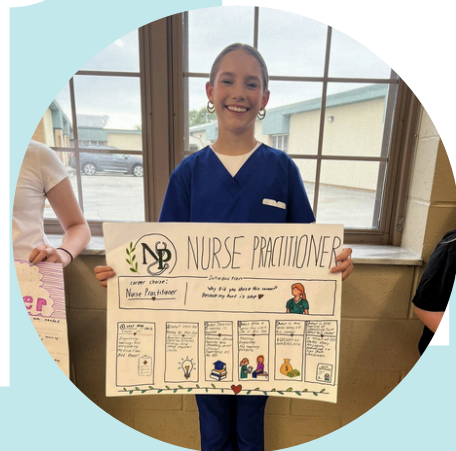
8th GRADE CAREER SHOWCASE





SOUTHMORELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

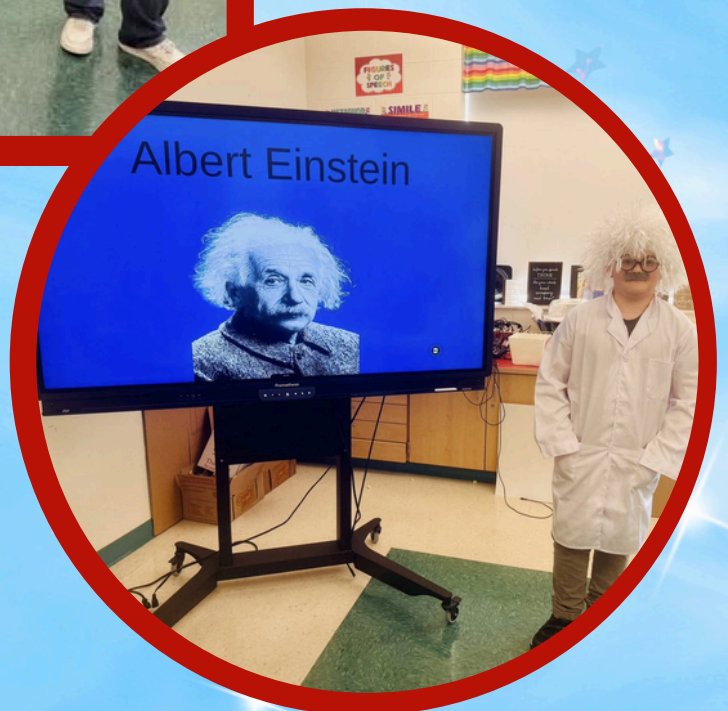
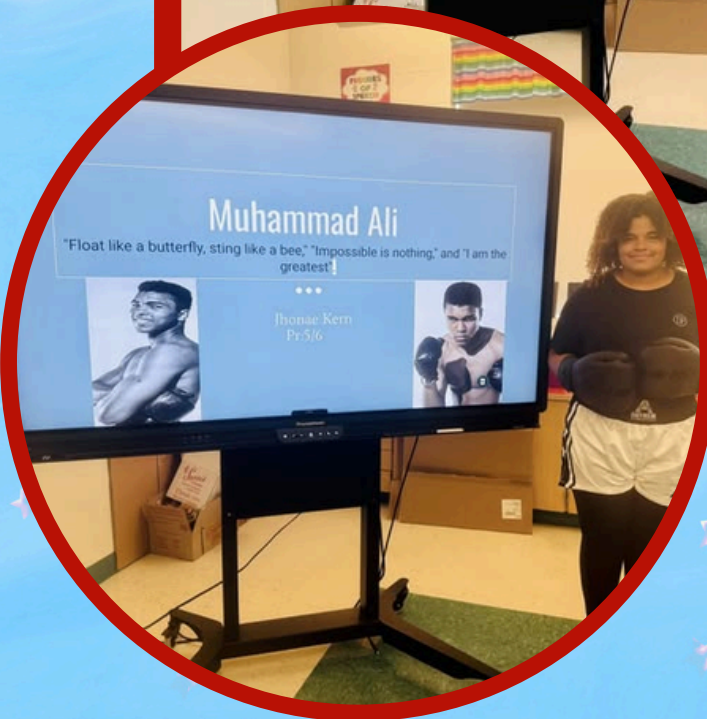
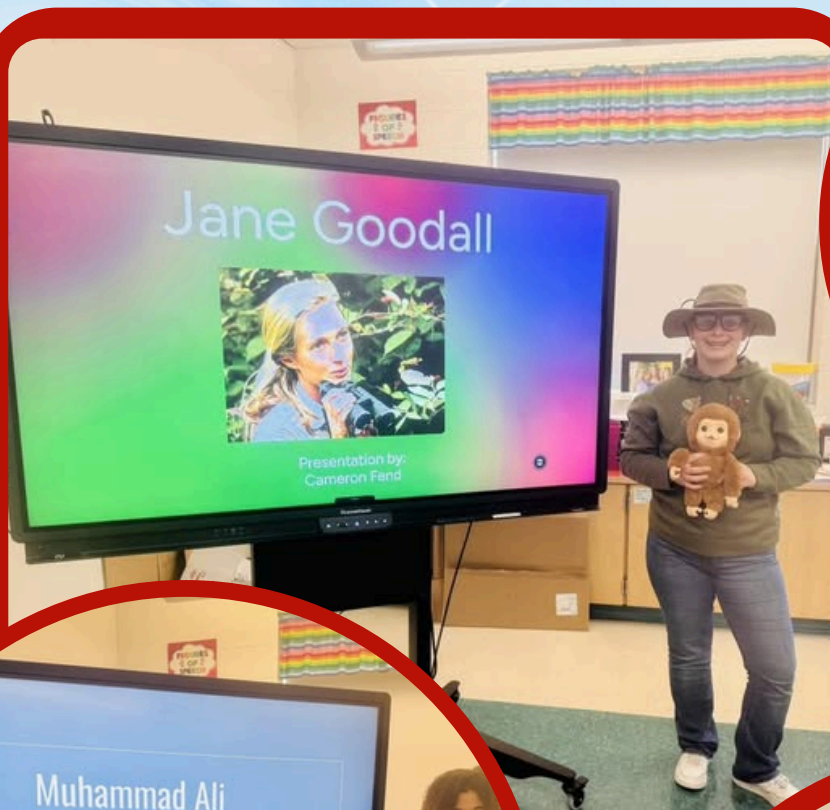
7th GRADE CAREER SHOWCASE





SOUTHMORELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

BIOGRAPHY PRESENTATIONS





SOUTHMORELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Junior Band Fest



by Mr. Klugh, Principal

Great job, Cassidy Blackham, Dash Clark, Carter Emerson, Emma Emerson, Madison Gore, Lucas Griffith, Brandon Puskar, Evie Rowles, Rachel Vogel and Henry Welsh at this afternoon's PMEA District 1 East Junior High Band Fest.





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL

SOUTHMORELAND
HIGH SCHOOLSTUDENT COUNCIL
Results!

★ CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2026-2027
CLASS OFFICERS AND STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES! ★

CLASS OF 2027

PRESIDENT: Keira Bryson

VICE PRESIDENT: Lailah Thomas

SECRETARY: Audrey Poole

TREASURER: Liam Smith

HISTORIAN: Sydney Puckey

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES:

- Juliet Ice
- Caylin Raymond

STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

- Ronae Beresford
- Kendall Campbell
- Isabella Ferrari
- Paige Gunderson
- Nick Lubecki
- Phoenix Roberts

CLASS OF 2028

PRESIDENT: Joylynne Lusty

VICE PRESIDENT: Jared Rumbaugh

SECRETARY: Isabella Sloan

TREASURER: Kaylie Lightner

HISTORIAN: Luke Stinnett

STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

- Tanner Baker
- Daniel Busato
- Connor Dillon
- Kaleigh Grabosky
- Noah Meyer

CLASS OF 2029

PRESIDENT: Gabriella Ice

VICE PRESIDENT: Brooke Hrovath

SECRETARY: Launa Crossland

TREASURER: Lilliana Tarasky

HISTORIAN: Will Dziurzynski

STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

- Jemma Brown
- Caiya Brozeski
- Teeghan Weir

Together, We Lead. Together, We Succeed.



ONE TEAM. ONE TRADITION. | SOUTHMORELAND STRONG.



SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL



WTAE Teacher For March

Congratulations!

by Mrs. Charity Colebank, Principal

Ms. Hixson was selected as the Pittsburgh news channel's Teacher of the Month for March. She was nominated for the honor by Southmoreland junior Cassie Loop, a current student of Hixson's, and senior Isabella Grabiak, who was in Hixson's class last year.

Ms. Hixson, an English Language Arts teacher at the High School and cancer survivor, was honored for her presentation "Turning Pain into a Purpose" and for leading the school's Interact Club.





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL

Scotties helping

others

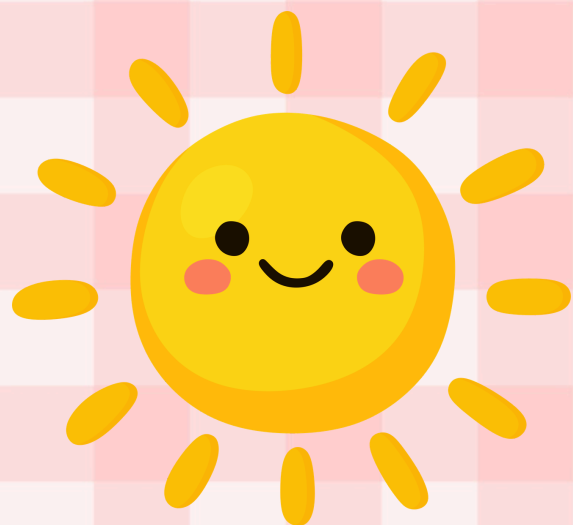


We rise by lifting others.

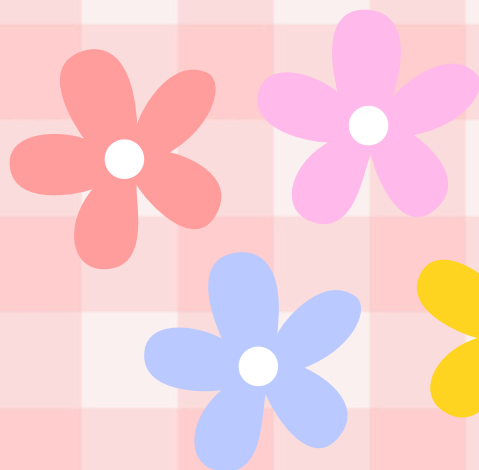
Robert G. Ingersoll



SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL



Mother's Day Flowers from the Greenhouse





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL

Let the good times roll . . .





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL

Prom 2025-2026





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Class Day 2025-2026





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL

CWCTC
AT
WORK

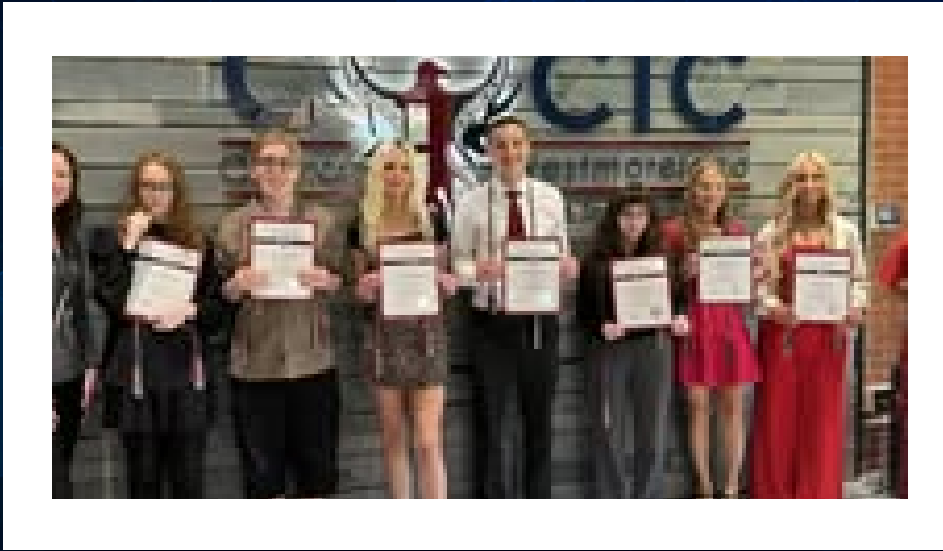




SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL



Bright
Futures!





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL





SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS OF 2026





March Scottie Scholar Award



The Scottie Scholar Award recognizes a student for outstanding service to the school and community, as well as academic and extracurricular achievements. The March recipient is Katelyn Campbell. Katelyn is an active member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, Penn State 4.0 Club, Interact Club, and YEA, and she is a four-year scholar athlete. She is also a three-year letter winner in track and a three-time WPIAL medalist. In addition, Katelyn volunteers at her church, where she teaches toddlers.

Congratulations to Katelyn Campbell, our Scottie Scholar Award winner for March!





March Spirit of Southmoreland Award



The Spirit of Southmoreland Award recognizes a student who exemplifies service, pride, integrity, responsibility, ingenuity, and tenacity.

The recipient for the month of March is Jenna Eutsey. Jenna was selected for her many contributions to both the school and the community. She has been a member of the SHS varsity tennis team for four years and is actively involved in Art Council, Interact Club, National Honor Society, and Highlander Choir. Jenna is also an All-Academic Student-Athlete enrolled in Honors courses and is a former member of the track team.

In addition, she takes private piano lessons and participates in the Green Team, Envirothon, and serves as a CSAY Ambassador.

Congratulations to Jenna Eutsey, the Spirit of Southmoreland Award winner for March!





April Scottie Scholar Award



The Scottie Scholar Award is presented to a student recognized for outstanding service to both the school and community, as well as strong academic achievement.

The Scottie Scholar for the month of April is Addison Jordan.

Addison is a current member of the track and field team and has participated for the past three years, competing in the 300-meter hurdles and 100-meter hurdles. She was also a member of the soccer team for three years, playing the forward position, and joined the wrestling team during her senior year.

She is actively involved in several organizations, including NHS, Interact Club, the 4.0 Club, and Sports Council. Addison has been accepted to WCCC, where she plans to study nursing with the goal of becoming a PICU nurse. In addition to her academic and athletic involvement, Addison has volunteered her time with Reading Buddies and the Scottdale Fall Festival.

Congratulations to Addison Jordan, our Scottie Scholar Award winner for April!



April Spirit of Southmoreland Award



The Spirit of Southmoreland Award is presented to a student who exemplifies the qualities of service, pride, integrity, responsibility, ingenuity, and tenacity.

The recipient for the month of April is Jaxon Raygor. Jaxon was selected for his many contributions to both the school and the community. He is actively involved in BOTS IQ, Marching Band, National Honor Society, Debate Club, and Pep Band. He has served as President of the SHS BOTS IQ program for the past three years, plays tenor saxophone in both the marching band and pep band, has participated in the school musical for two years, and is an active member of both the Debate Club and NHS.

Congratulations to Jaxon Raygor, our Spirit of Southmoreland Award winner for April!



May Scottie Scholar Award



The Scottie Scholar Award is presented to a student who exemplifies outstanding service to both the school and community, along with strong academic achievement. The student selected for the month of May is Zoey Welling.

Zoey is an active and dedicated leader within our school community. She is a member of the National Honor Society, serves as Student Council Vice President, and represents the student body as a School Board Representative. She is also involved in Interact Club, Champions Club, and YEA. In addition to her leadership roles, Zoey is a committed student-athlete. She is a member of the volleyball team and has lettered all four years of high school.

Zoey's service extends well beyond the classroom. She has participated in numerous events and initiatives including Buddy Day, Reading Under the Lights, the Scottdale Fall Festival, Penn State 4.0 Club, Rise Against Hunger, Early Act, and Bible Club. Following graduation, Zoey plans to attend Slippery Rock University to study Exercise Science on a pre-occupational therapy track. Congratulations to Zoey Welling on being named the Scottie Scholar Award recipient for May!





May Spirit of Southmoreland Award



The Spirit of Southmoreland Award is presented to a student who exemplifies the qualities of service, pride, integrity, responsibility, ingenuity, and tenacity.

The student selected for the month of

May is Audrey Miller.

Audrey was chosen for her many acts of service and dedication to the school community. She is a four-year varsity cheerleader, Student Council President, licensed cosmetologist, class representative, school board representative, member of the Penn State 4.0 Club, Scholar Athlete, SkillsUSA participant, NHS Champions Club member, and a YEA Daily Courier Teen of the Week recipient. In addition, Audrey volunteers at the Scottdale Public Library.

After high school, Audrey plans to attend Robert Morris University to major in Marketing and minor in Sports Medicine. She will also continue her cheerleading career at the Division I level.





May CWCTC Scottie Scholar Award



Madison Lucia has been a student in the Cosmetology program at Central Westmoreland Career and Technology Center for the past three years and is being recognized for the CWCTC Scholar Award. During that time, she has shown exceptional leadership and commitment, serving as the SkillsUSA Chapter President and competing at the state level. She is also a member of the National Technical Honor Society and serves as a student ambassador.

Madison is currently enrolled in the nursing program at Westmoreland County Community College, where she is working toward her RN degree. She plans to continue her education to earn her BSN while gaining experience in the field. Additionally, she has passed the Cosmetology State Board exam and received a meritorious scholarship from WCCC.





May CWCTC Scottie Scholar Award



Justine Stockton is an outstanding candidate for nomination through the Central Westmoreland Career and Technical Center. Throughout her high school career, Justine has demonstrated dedication, compassion, and a strong commitment to her future goals. Her interest in helping others and pursuing a career in healthcare has guided her educational journey and reflects her character as a hardworking and caring individual. Following graduation, Justine plans to attend Westmoreland County Community College (WCCC) to study Nursing, where she will continue building the knowledge and skills necessary to make a meaningful impact in the healthcare field. Her determination, professionalism, and desire to serve others make her a deserving nominee, and we are excited to see all that she accomplishes in this next chapter.





Spring Sports Highlights

by Mr. Brian Pritts, Athletic Director

- Boys Track & Field qualified for the WPIAL Playoffs
- Girls Track & Field won the Section Championship & also qualified for the WPIAL Playoffs
- Megan Mehall won 2 WPIAL Individual Championships on the track. (800 & 1600 meter runs)
- Dawson Wolfe finished 4th in the Shot Put at the WPIAL Championships & qualified for the PIAA Meet
- Megan Mehall won 2 medals at the PIAA Championships! She was the state runner-up in the 800 meter run & finished 4th in the 1600 meter run. Megan's time of 4:57.70 broke the school record & qualified her for the New Balance Nationals

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Please Check The CSIU Parent Portal to keep current on your child's grades and attendance.



WILL IT
BE
Easy?
NOPE.
WORTH IT?
ABSOLUTELY



SOUTHMORELAND ATHLETICS





*Last day
of school*

May 29, 2026

DISMISSAL TIMES

SHS: 10:15 AM

SMS: 10:55 AM

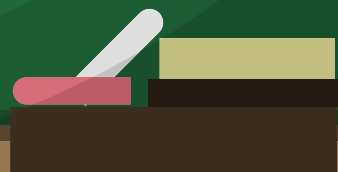
SES: 11:30 AM

SPC: 11:30 AM

Office Hours

8 AM - 3 PM

Friday by appointment only







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Director of Technology

Mr. Greg Keefer
Supervisor of School Police

Mr. Brian Pritts
Athletic Director

Mr. Calvin Trader
Director of Facilities and Operations

Mr. Zachary Malavite
Director of Food Service

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High School Principal

Ms. Kaely Potochnik
High School Assistant Principal

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Mr. Daniel Krofcheck
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Mr. Ron Heitchue
Primary School Principal



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