



JACKET JOURNAL

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SHIS IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 6 - Open House (PK-3rd is 4:00-6:00 PM; 4th-8th is 6:00-8:00 PM)
Aug. 7 - Kindergarten Kickstart (8:30-11:30 AM)
Aug. 7 - Back to School Splash @ SomerSplash (5:30-7:30 PM)
Aug. 9 - PTO Prayer Gathering (4:00 PM)
Aug. 12 - First Day of School
Aug. 14 - A1 Ice Cream
Aug. 19 - First Day of Preschool
Aug. 28 - Kona Ice

SHIS NEWS

The Jacket Journal is here

The *Jacket Journal* is Science Hill's weekly newsletter, designed to keep our students, families, staff, and community informed about everything happening on campus. Each edition highlights upcoming events, important announcements, student achievements, athletic competitions, and opportunities to get involved. The newsletter will be sent out each Friday afternoon via Class Dojo and Facebook. Be sure to check the *Jacket Journal* each week so you don't miss what's happening at Science Hill!

The link to all of the editions can be found throughout the school year via the link below:
<https://www.sciencehill.kyschools.us/jacket-journal>

- Mr. Childers

The Jacket Journal

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SPECIAL EDITION



2026-2027

CHECK IT OUT!



GET YOUR SCIENCE HILL NEWS HERE!



Open House to be held on Aug. 6th

Join us for Open House on Thursday, August 6th! Open House for preschool through 3rd grade will be from 4:00-6:00 PM, while Open House for 4th through 8th grade will be from 6:00-8:00 PM.

Kindergarten Kickstart set for Aug. 7th

Get a kickstart for the upcoming year in kindergarten by joining in on Kindergarten Kickstart at SHIS on Friday, August 7th from 8:30-11:30 AM.

August 7, 2026

SCIENCE HILL INDEPENDENT KINDERGARTEN KICKSTART

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ★ PARENT MEETING 8:30-9:00 AM IN GYM; DOORS OPEN AT 8:15 AM
- ★ STUDENTS WILL ENJOY A SNACK, PLAY ON THE PLAYGROUND, AND HAVE FUN LEARNING ABOUT SCIENCE HILL
- ★ PICK UP WILL BE VIA OUR CAR RIDER LINE (OFF OF YELLOW JACKET WAY) BEGINNING AT 11:30 AM-PLEASE REMAIN IN CAR

WHAT TO BRING

- ★ ENROLLMENT DOCUMENTS: IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY (BIRTH CERTIFICATE, IMMUNIZATION CERTIFICATE, SOCIAL SECURITY CARD, AND PHYSICAL/ VISION/DENTAL FORMS)



Back to School Splash slated for Aug. 7th

Join us as we kick off an amazing school year with an evening of fun at SomerSplash Waterpark!

 Friday, August 7

 5:30–7:30 PM

 SomerSplash Waterpark – Somerset, KY

PTO will provide pizza and water!

This event is open to Science Hill students and their families. Please remember that all children must be accompanied by an adult. No drop-offs will be permitted.

Please click the link below to let us know:
How many people will be attending/eating

This helps us make sure we have enough food and drinks for everyone!

We can't wait to celebrate the start of another great school year with our Jacket families!  

LINK TO GOOGLE FORM:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1gW_Sb0hv5pczqcckbeMHL0see9v160WmrrH4dJ-LwWU/edit?usp=rivesdk

SUNDAY AUGUST 9TH

4PM

SCIENCE HILL INDEPENDENT
FRONT ENTRANCE

WE INVITE YOU TO OUR
BACK TO SCHOOL
PRAYER GATHERING

Brief devotional led by Mr. Childers

Prayer gathering slated for Aug. 9th

Everyone is invited to the PTO's Prayer Gathering on Sunday, August 9th, at 4:00 PM at the front entrance of the school.



*Calendar is subject to change

2026 - 2027 School Calendar

August 10 - Opening Day
August 12 - First Day for Students
September 7 - No School (Labor Day Holiday)
October 2 - No School
October 5-9 - No School (Fall Break)
October 30 - No School
November 2 - No School
November 3 - No School (Election Day)
November 25-27 - No School (Thanksgiving Break)
December 21 - January 1 - No School (Christmas Break)
January 4 - Students return to school
January 18 - No School (MLK Holiday)
February 15 - No School (President's Day)
March 12 - No School
March 15 - No School
April 5-9 - No School (Spring Break)
May 18 - No School (Primary Election Day)
May 21 - Last Day for Students
May 24 - Closing Day



AT SCIENCE HILL

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL,

we believe that

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR

DESERVES TO BE RECOGNIZED AND CELEBRATED!

♥ This year, we're creating more opportunities to highlight students who demonstrate **responsibility, kindness, leadership, and excellence** every day. ★

HERE'S HOW WE'LL BE RECOGNIZING OUR YELLOW JACKETS:

-  **GOLDEN DUSTPAN** – Awarded weekly to the class with the cleanest classroom.
-  **GOLDEN SPATULA** – Awarded weekly to the class demonstrating the best behavior in the cafeteria.
-  **POSITIVE REFERRALS** – Students can be recognized by staff for being "caught doing something good."
-  **POSITIVE POSTCARDS** – Staff will send postcards home to celebrate students' accomplishments and positive choices.
-  **GOLDEN ATTENDANCE** – Awarded weekly to the class with the highest attendance percentage.
-  **BUZZ CARDS** – Students will be recognized during Friday announcements for their outstanding efforts and positive actions.

TOGETHER, WE'RE BUILDING A SCHOOL CULTURE WHERE KINDNESS, RESPONSIBILITY, RESPECT, AND HARD WORK ARE NOTICED AND CELEBRATED.

We can't wait to see our
YELLOW JACKETS
SHINE
all year long!

BE RESPECTFUL. ● BE RESPONSIBLE. ● BE SAFE. BE A YELLOW JACKET!

Plenty of positive recognition of opportunities for the Yellow Jackets

At Science Hill Independent School, we believe that positive behavior deserves to be recognized and celebrated! This year, we're creating more opportunities to highlight students who demonstrate responsibility, kindness, leadership, and excellence every day.

Here's how we'll be recognizing our Yellow Jackets:

 Golden Dustpan – Awarded weekly to the class with the cleanest classroom.

 Golden Spatula – Awarded weekly to the class demonstrating the best behavior in the cafeteria.

 Positive Office Referrals – Students can be recognized by staff for being "caught doing something good."

 Positive Postcards – Staff will send postcards home to celebrate students' accomplishments and positive choices.

 Golden Attendance – Awarded weekly to the class with the highest attendance percentage.

 Buzz Cards – Students will be recognized during Friday announcements for their outstanding efforts and positive actions.

We can't wait to see our Yellow Jackets shine all year long!

Drop-off & Pick-up Safety Reminder

For the safety of our students and staff, please do **NOT** enter the school parking lot from Hwy 27 during morning drop-off or afternoon pick-up times.

- ✓ Enter on Langdon Ave. at Battlefield Coffee, then turn left at the stop sign onto Walnut Hill and left again into the drop-off/pick-up line. Please do not enter Walnut Hill from Spring Street; only enter from Langdon.
- ✓ Pull forward as far as possible before stopping to let students out.
- ✓ Use the full sidewalk along the building.
- ✓ Adults should remain in their vehicles.
- ✓ If you have a preschool or kindergarten student, let an adult know, and a Peer Helper will assist.
- ✓ Please keep your car tag visible during pick-up.

We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our Yellow Jackets safe! 🐝❤️💛



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PARENT DROP-OFF & PICKUP

Enter on Langdon Ave. at Battlefield Coffee. Turn left at the stop sign onto Walnut Hill and left at the next stop to enter the drop-off/pick-up line. Do not enter Walnut Hill from Spring Street; only enter from Langdon Ave.



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DROP-OFF & PICK-UP ROUTINES

Morning Drop-off

- Utilize the ENTIRE sidewalk, the full length of the building, to let students out of cars.
- Pull forward as far as possible before stopping to let students out.
- Adults should not leave cars for any reason.
- If you have a Preschool or Kindergarten student, let an adult know, and we will send a Peer Helper to your car.

Afternoon Pick-up

- Have your car tag on your mirror and ensure it is unobstructed.
- If your student does not come out in a timely manner, you will be asked to park, and they will be walked across to you when they arrive.
- Unless you are checking your student out early, parents cannot park and wait for students in cars or on the front patio. If you are not in the pick-up line, your child will be at the end of the list of students.

If your little one is in a car seat, we'd recommend moving it to the passenger side of the vehicle. This will make it much easier to get your child in and out.

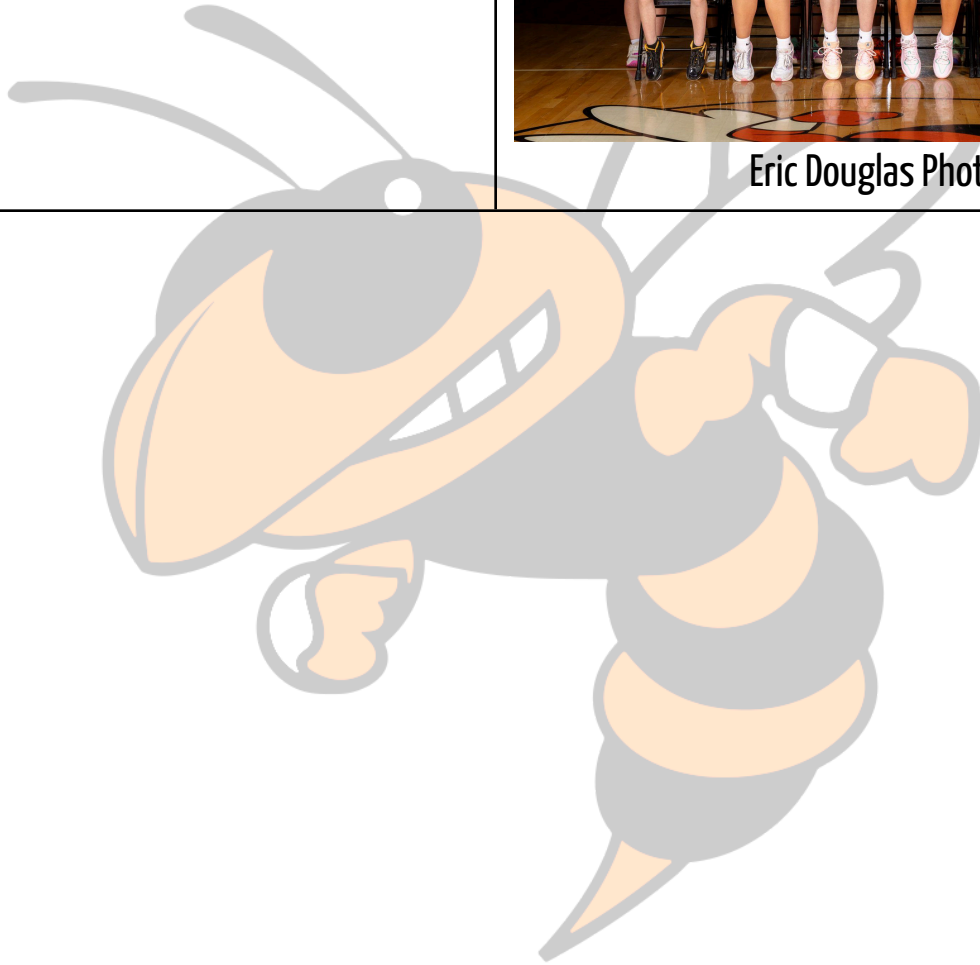
SHIS SPORTS

Lady Jackets open season on Aug. 13th

The Lady Jacket basketball team has been busy this summer preparing for their upcoming season. Their first game of the season will be on Thursday, August 13th, at home versus Model.



Eric Douglas Photo



MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of the Science Hill Independent School District is to teach for learning by ALL students, working in partnership with families and community, in an environment that nurtures that process and assures equity in excellence for all.

SCHOOLWIDE EXPECTATIONS

Be Respectful
Be Responsible
Be Safe

SHIS INFORMATION

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