SHECKLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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"Dedicated to Educational Excellence"
Dr. Robert Kucharczuk
Principal

8/12/26

Dear Sheckler Parents/Guardians and Students,

We are excited to kick off the 2026-2027 school year in just a few short weeks! Our custodial and building/grounds team have done an amazing job preparing the building for our students and staff. Our teachers have been busy planning and setting up their classrooms to welcome our students on our first day of school on Monday, August 24th, 2026. Included in this communication is some pertinent information related to accessing student classroom assignments, completing required beginning-of-the-year forms, and other important items to begin the school year.

PowerSchool

- **The parent/student PowerSchool portal is accessible and viewable.**
  - Please access the PowerSchool portal to view teacher/classroom assignments for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Please **complete, review, and sign/submit** the following beginning-of-the-year forms in the Parent/Student PowerSchool Portal prior to the start of the school year. This ensures we have the most up-to-date information on file. **Please note that if you completed the PowerSchool forms prior to August 1, 2026, your data may not have carried over to the new school year. Please check to ensure all your information is correct and up to date.**
    - **Form 1 - Student Address/Change of Address**
    - **Form 2 - Health Information**
    - **Form 3 - Permissions/Agreements**
      - Sheckler Handbook/Guidelines/Dress Code **(Sheckler Handbook Link)**
      - Acceptable Technology Use/Internet Safety Policy
      - Children's Online Privacy Protection Act
      - Photo Release
      - Pest Control Information
    - **Form 4 - Emergency Contacts/School Messenger**
  - Transportation information will be viewable in PowerSchool today 8/12/26. Please check to review transportation information for the 2026-2027 school year. Please contact CASD transportation with any transportation related questions or needs.

****Important Parent Pick-Up Change Information & Form:**
This school year, there is a change to the location of student sign-out for our designated parent pick-up students at dismissal. Parents **will not enter the building to sign students out**. Students listed as 'parent pick-up' must be signed out by a parent/guardian **outside designated grade-level doors (See Parent Pick-up Diagram).** Parent Pick-up sign-out will begin at 3:10. Students will be brought to the sign-out table as parents/guardians sign them out. Siblings will be placed together in the younger sibling sign-out group. **All families must complete a Sheckler Release/Pick-up form (required for each Sheckler student).** Please use the link to complete the required form: **Sheckler Release Form 2026-2027**

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Daily Arrival/Dismissal Schedule

- **8:45 a.m.** Doors open for Student Entry
- **9:00 a.m.** Doors Secured/Homeroom begins
- **3:10 -3:20 p.m.** Dismissal
  - **3:10-3:20 p.m.** - Parent pick-up students must be signed out outside the designated exterior grade-level door as noted on the **Dismissal Diagram**
  - **3:10 p.m. -** Walkers will be dismissed
- **3:15 – 3:20 p.m. -** Buses leave Sheckler

****Click on the following links to view the Map for specific traffic patterns for our SES Arrival and Dismissal Procedures**
SES Drop off/Pick up Diagram Map
Carline/Drop Off Video

Student Supply Lists

2026-2027 School Supplies (Please note changes to usable headphones specific to the updated iPads)

StopFinder

Stopfinder is an easy-to-use app that allows designated contacts to securely view their student's daily bus schedules, track real-time vehicle locations using custom GeoAlerts, and receive estimated times of arrival. The platform also enables families to securely share transportation details with other caregivers and send private messages directly to the CASD Transportation Team.

To gain access, download the app from the App Store or Google Play and activate your account using the email invitation sent by the district, or reach out to transportation@cattysd.org if you did not receive your invite.

- **Stopfinder Quick Start Guide**
- **Stopfinder Information**

Sheckler Construction Update

We are excited to announce that the Sheckler Addition is officially underway. We look forward to providing our students and staff with the needed space and strongest learning environment through this addition. As the school year moves forward, please be cognizant of any fenced-off construction areas and signage. Additionally, please drive slowly and maintain caution while driving/walking on the Sheckler campus during construction. We do not anticipate any major changes in on-campus traffic flow, but please be aware that there is the possibility if needs arise. We will promptly communicate any changes that may be implemented as we progress through the construction phase.

Thank you for partnering with us as we start a new school year together! We look forward to our first student day on Monday, August 24th and can't wait to welcome our students back for a great school year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Robert Kucharczuk
Principal

Mrs. Sarah Auletta
Assistant Principal

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