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SMS IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 23 - Kona Ice
Sept 25 - Donkey Basketball
Oct 2 - Pizza with the Principals/Cookies with the Counselors
Oct 5-9 - Fall Break (NO SCHOOL)
Oct 16 - End of Quarter 1

SMS TUTORING

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 15TH

Mondays - Mrs. Head - Room 204
Tuesdays - Ms. Tonya Troxtle - Room 126
Wednesdays - Ms. Daulton - Room 154
Thursdays - Mrs. Morrow - Room 215

SMS CLUBS

JROTC Warrior Prep Team - Major William Brookshire - Mondays @ 3:30-4:30 PM
Fellowship of Christian Anybodies (FCA)-Ms. Montie Daulton & Mr. Daniel Moody-Wednesdays @ 7:50AM

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 15TH

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) - Ms. Montie Daulton - Tuesdays - 3:30-4:30
Other Clubs are COMING SOON!

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SMS NEWS



8TH BLUE "ATTENDANCE MATTERS"WINNERS

By Mrs. Tohill

For the week of August 31st-September 4th the 8th grade Blue team was our "Attendance Matters" winner. Their team had the best overall attendance with 95.20 of their students present.

Their team also received a scoop of ice cream on our ice cream bulletin board to work toward an ice cream sundae party.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE STUDENT WINNERS

By Mrs. Tohill

We drew three students out of our perfect attendance students since the beginning of our school year. Our winners were Abbrianna Reed, Laurel Combs, and Addison Pittman! They received their choice of a school store coupon, a free 3-D printed object of their choice, or a slushie coupon.



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ORDERING RATIONAL NUMBERS

By Mrs. Tohill

Students in Ms. Montie Daulton's math class collaborate to order positive and negative rational numbers.



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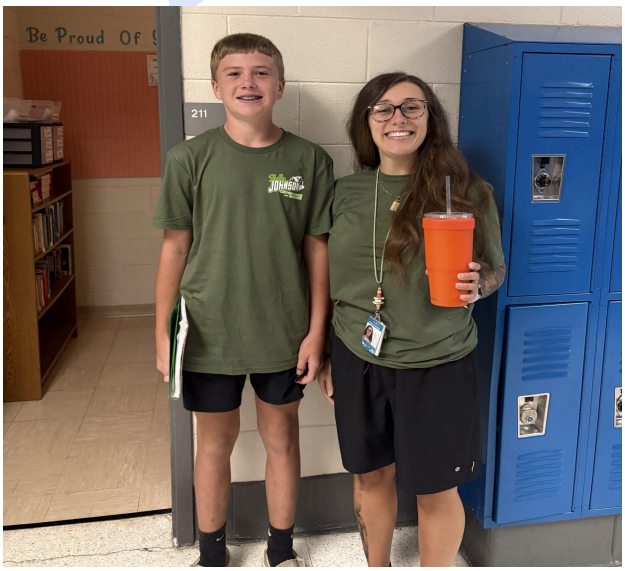
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SMS PARTICIPATES IN SPIRIT WEEK

By Mrs. Tohill

Southern Middle staff and students participated in spirit week last week. Students dressed up in their pajamas, dressed as their twin, wore their favorite jerseys, and wore their Warrior spirit wear! We had a great time having fun and learning.











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6TH GRADE WHITE TEAM BUILDING

By Mrs. Tohill

Students on the 6th Grade White team enjoyed doing a team building activity to help develop classroom norms.









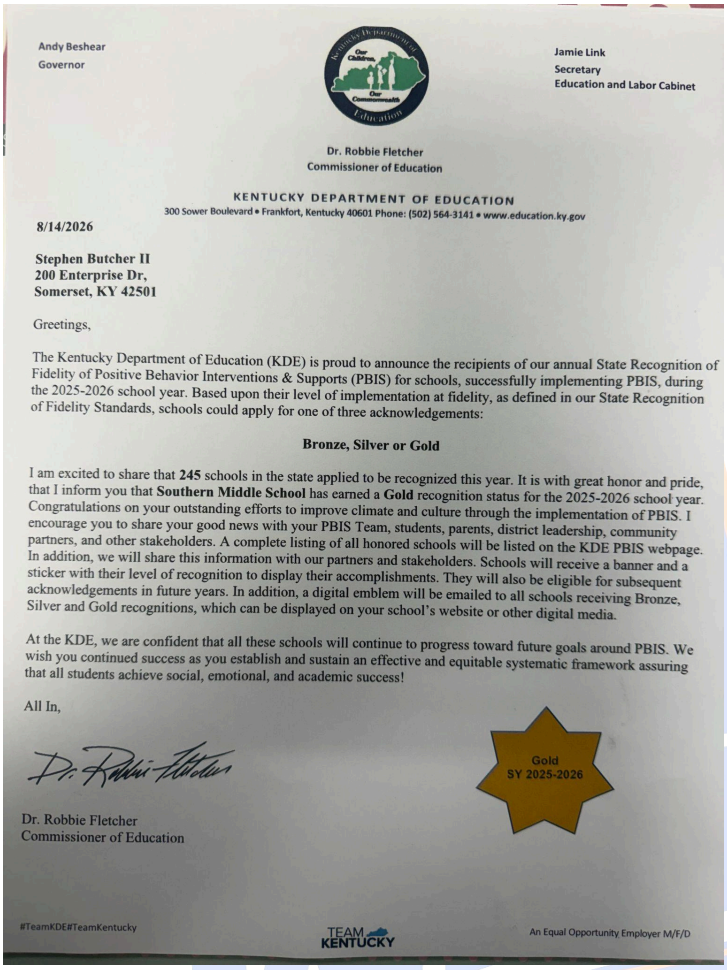




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Greetings,

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) is proud to announce the recipients of our annual State Recognition of Fidelity of Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) for schools, successfully implementing PBIS, during the 2025-2026 school year. Based upon their level of implementation at fidelity, as defined in our State Recognition of Fidelity Standards, schools could apply for one of three acknowledgements:

Bronze, Silver or Gold

I am excited to share that **245** schools in the state applied to be recognized this year. It is with great honor and pride, that I inform you that **Southern Middle School** has earned a **Gold** recognition status for the 2025-2026 school year. Congratulations on your outstanding efforts to improve climate and culture through the implementation of PBIS. I encourage you to share your good news with your PBIS Team, students, parents, district leadership, community partners, and other stakeholders. A complete listing of all honored schools will be listed on the KDE PBIS webpage. In addition, we will share this information with our partners and stakeholders. Schools will receive a banner and a sticker with their level of recognition to display their accomplishments. They will also be eligible for subsequent acknowledgements in future years. In addition, a digital emblem will be emailed to all schools receiving Bronze, Silver and Gold recognitions, which can be displayed on your school's website or other digital media.

At the KDE, we are confident that all these schools will continue to progress toward future goals around PBIS. We wish you continued success as you establish and sustain an effective and equitable systematic framework assuring that all students achieve social, emotional, and academic success!

All In,

Dr. Robbie Fletcher
Commissioner of Education

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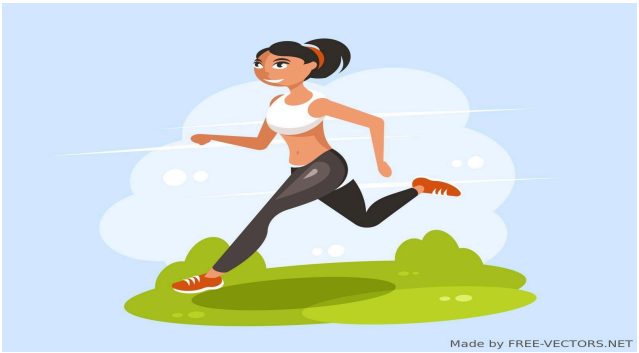
PBIS GOLD RECOGNITION

By Mrs. Tohill

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is an evidence-based, tiered framework for supporting students' behavioral, academic, social, emotional, and mental health.

Great work SMS and GO WARRIORS!

SMS ATHLETICS



SMS GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

By Mrs. Tohill

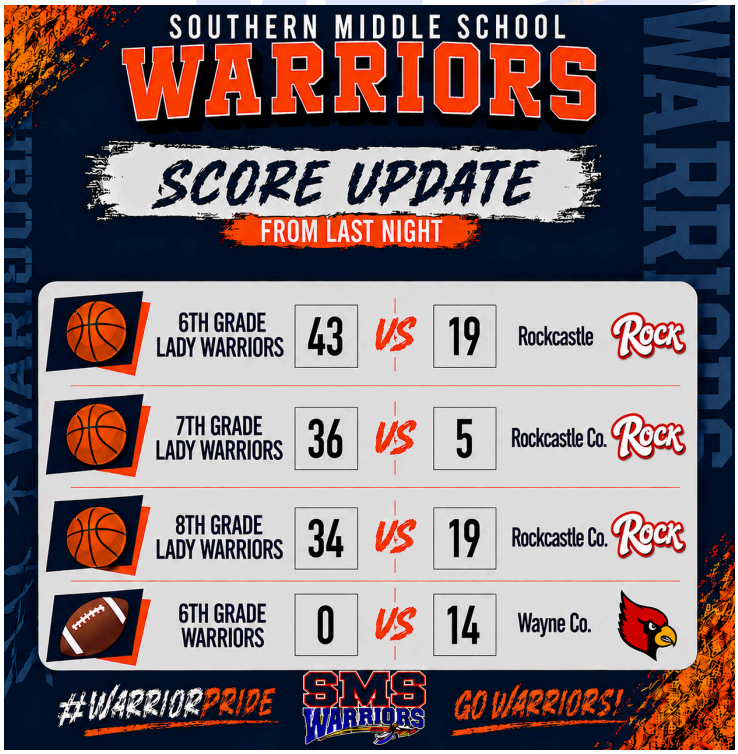
Southern Middle School Girls Cross Country team took a 4th place finish this past Saturday. They look forward to competing this coming Saturday in Wayne County running at 10:45 AM.

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SMS BOYS CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS

By Mrs. Tohill

Congratulations to our Middle School Cross Country Warriors. They continue to dominate the 3K's this season, winning their home meet, the Southern Harrier Classic.

Liam VanHook 3rd 11:45
Jackson Gilreath 5th 11:53
Ashton Lockard 6th 11:56
Evan Lockard 7th 12:05
Liam Powell 8th 12:08
Cooper Prone 9th 12:10
Hunter Martoglio 10th 12:13
Keelan Roll 13th 12:28
Walter Todd 43rd 15:24
Samuel Masten 54th 16:41
Carter Cox 56th 16:45
Jeremiah Reynolds 57th 16:50
Greyden Volling 58th 17:01
Darsh Patel 66th 17:57
Christian Golnick 74th 22:51

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WARRIORS REPRESENT AT THE FIRST PRIORITY BOWL

By Mrs. Tohill

Corbin Carrigan and Eli Stevenson each won an award at the First Priority Bowl. Corbin was awarded the Defensive MVP and Eli was awarded the Offensive MVP. Nice job, boys! Way to represent Warrior Nation!



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SMS BULLETIN BOARD





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COUNSELOR'S CORNER



"EXTRA HELPING HANDS" Award Winners

By Mr. Melton and Mrs. Gregg

Our Southern Middle School PBIS (Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports) Team has a new recognition award for this 2026-2027 school year. In an effort to help encourage cafeteria expectations as well as keep it clean, our staff has been keeping an eye out for students who are showing responsibility, initiative, and respect in the cafeteria!

This week's "Extra Helping Hands" winner is

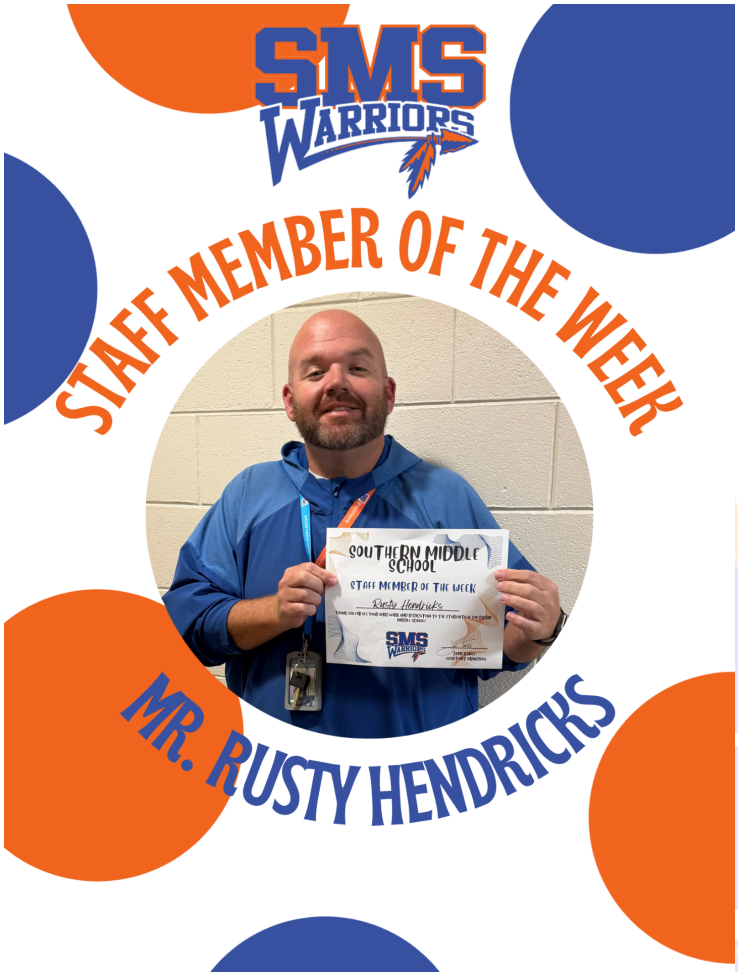
PEYTON WORLEY!

Congrats on a job well done! We appreciate you!

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SMS Staff Member of the Week

Congrats,

RUSTY HENDRICKS!

Thank you for all that you do for our students and staff!

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6th Grade "Warrior of the Week"

Congrats,

JASON HURST!

Keep up the hard work and continue to demonstrate the A.R.R.O.W. to Success!

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7th Grade "Warrior of the Week"

Congrats,

TOM CROCKETT!

Your teachers notice your hard work and winning attitude! Keep up the hard work!

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8th Grade "Warrior of the Week"

Congrats,

NEVAEH RUPERT!

Wow! We are so proud of you and your hard work to be a great example to others! Keep it up!

MISSION: SMS will engage, enable, and empower all students to reach for personal and academic greatness every day.

VISION: SMS will provide a safe and highly successful educational experience empowering all students to be academically ready for a successful high school experience and beyond.

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