October 4, 2026



Issue 9 (SCS Operating Levy) Information

Strongsville City Schools is asking voters to consider a 6.7-mill operating levy on the November 3, 2026 ballot (Issue 9). It is a five-year limited levy, meaning it expires and returns to voters every five years, rather than continuing indefinitely. If approved, this operating levy would fund the implementation of The Plan to Protect Our Core.

The 6.7 mills combine an existing levy with new revenue:

- 3.4 mills renews an operating levy Strongsville voters originally approved in 2002. This is revenue already being provided by taxpayers and used by our District to support daily operating costs, totaling approximately $8.3 million each year.
- 3.3 mills provides new operating revenue that would generate approximately $7.5 million each year, replacing a renewal that voters did not approve in 2024 that generated $9.7 million annually.
- ***This combination of mills reduces revenue collected by $2.2 million, representing a lower tax rate in 2027 than in 2024.***

Click **HERE** for Dr. Ryba's slide presentation from the September 10, 2026 Board of Education meeting outlining The Plan to Protect the Core details and the financial impact on our District.

For additional information about Issue 9 and The Plan to Protect Our Core, please visit **scsmustangs.org/Issue9**

Protect the Core Presentation

Additional Info about Issue 9



HOME VALUE	ADDITIONAL MONTHLY COST (MONTHLY)	ADDITIONAL ANNUAL COST (YEARLY)	WHAT YOU ALREADY PAY (YEARLY)	TOTAL ANNUAL COST (YEARLY)
$100,000 home	$9.71 /mo	$116.55 /year	$117.95 /year ($9.83/mo)	$234.50 /year ($19.54/mo)
$200,000 home	$19.43 /mo	$233.10 /year	$235.90 /year ($19.66/mo)	$469.00 /year ($39.08/mo)
$300,000 home	$29.14 /mo	$349.65 /year	$353.85 /year ($29.49/mo)	$703.50 /year ($58.63/mo)
$400,000 home	$38.85 /mo	$466.20 /year	$471.80 /year ($39.32/mo)	$938.00 /year ($78.17/mo)
$500,000 home	$48.56 /mo	$582.75 /year	$589.75 /year ($49.15/mo)	$1,172.50 /year ($97.71/mo)

Important Dates



October 5th-9th

- 5th- IOWA/CogAT Testing Begins (through the 16th) 2nd & 4th
- 6th- Picture Retake Day
- 6th- Mental Health Awareness Family Night @6:00pm Gym
- 7th- 3rd Grade Fire Safety
- 7th- Homecoming Parade
- 7th- Marco's Pizza Night-Fundraiser
- 8th- Parent- Teacher Conferences (No School for Students)
- 9th- No School

October 12th-16th

- 13th- Lunch with an Athlete
- 14th- Parent-Teacher Conferneces (Evening Only)

October 19th-23rd

- 4th-Grade Columbia Gas Presentation
- 21st-PTA Evening Meeting @6:30pm- Media Center
- 23rd- Mustang Mashup

Picture Retake Day is THIS Tuesday!


PICTURE
RETAKE DAY
Tuesday, October 6

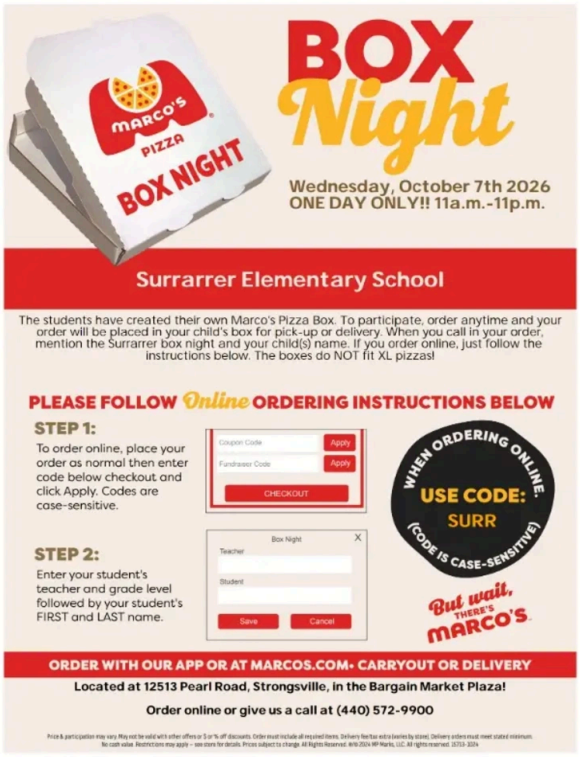
More Information About Upcoming Events






SAVE THE DATE!
STRONGSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
HOMECOMING Parade
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026
SHOW YOUR MUSTANG PRIDE!
SPIRIT SQUADS
TEAMS
CLUBS
COMMUNITY
Parade Participant
SIGN-UPS COMING SOON!
CELEBRATING OUR SCHOOL. OUR STUDENTS. OUR COMMUNITY.


WILD ABOUT Surrarrer
HOMECOMING
PARADE FLOAT
OCTOBER 7, 2026
WALKERS NEEDED!
WE NEED VOLUNTEERS IN
GRADES 3RD-5TH
SIGN UP AT:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4AA5A929A1FAC07-65046068-2026surrarrer
LET'S MAKE OUR
HOMECOMING FLOAT ROAR!


MARCO'S PIZZA
BOX NIGHT
BOX Night
Wednesday, October 7th 2026
ONE DAY ONLY!! 11a.m.-11p.m.
Surrarrer Elementary School
The students have created their own Marco's Pizza Box. To participate, order anytime and your order will be placed in your child's box for pick-up or delivery. When you call in your order, mention the Surrarrer box night and your child(s) name. If you order online, just follow the instructions below. The boxes do NOT fit XL pizzas!
PLEASE FOLLOW Online ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS BELOW
STEP 1:
To order online, place your order as normal then enter code below checkout and click Apply. Codes are case-sensitive.
Coupon Code
Apply
Fundraiser Code
Apply
CHECKOUT
WHEN ORDERING ONLINE, USE CODE: SURR (CODE IS CASE-SENSITIVE)
STEP 2:
Enter your student's teacher and grade level followed by your student's FIRST and LAST name.
Box Night
Teacher
Student
Save
Cancel
But wait, THERE'S MARCO'S
ORDER WITH OUR APP OR AT MARCOS.COM• CARRYOUT OR DELIVERY
Located at 12513 Pearl Road, Strongsville, in the Bargain Market Plaza!
Order online or give us a call at (440) 572-9900

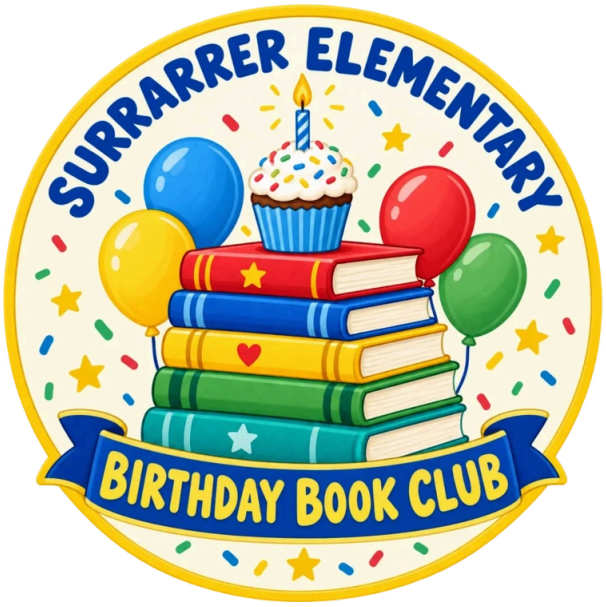

STRONGSVILLE CITY SCHOOLS
Mustangs
ACADEMICS ARTS ATHLETICS
STRONGSVILLE CITY SCHOOLS
GREET & TREAT
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29
5:30pm - 7:00pm
PAT CATAN STADIUM
AT STRONGSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
A FAMILY-FRIENDLY OUTDOOR TRICK-OR-TREAT EVENT
Please Bring a Donation for the Strongsville Food Bank
(ESPECIALLY IN NEED OF CEREAL, OATMEAL, PEANUT BUTTER, AND JELLY)
CEREAL
OATMEAL
PEANUT BUTTER
JELLY



Surrarrer PTA


WHY
JOIN THE
Surrarrer PTA
Stay Connected & In the Know!
Get PTA Member emails about upcoming events, volunteer opportunites and committees that need your Ideas!
Let Your Voice be Heard
Join our meetings vitually or in-person to give your ideas and opinions a voice and support your student(s)!
Make A Difference
PTA funds and volunteers help provide enrichment programs, school events, classroom support, playground equipment & more!
Support your Student(s)
Your involvement shows your child that education matters—and helps create a more positive school environment.
Why a fee to join?
Your $6 PTA membership goes directly to the Ohio State PTA for us to stay compliant & pay for liability insurance for PTA sponsored events at school!
You must be a PTA member to volunteer at PTA school events. If cost is a barrier, please reach out to the front office and we will be happy to work with you on your PTA fee.
Join Here!
SCAN ME





You're Invited:
Surrarrer Birthday Book Club

Dear Families,

The Surrarrer Birthday Book Club is an opportunity to donate a book to the Surrarrer Media Center in honor of your child's birthday.

Donating a birthday book is easy! The Media Center has already selected a wide variety of new books that will make excellent additions to our collection.

Your child will be invited to the Media Center to choose a book. A book plate with their name will be placed in the book. Your child will also be the first to check out the book!

If you'd like to participate, please join today by scanning the QR code below:

We will celebrate the birthdays in three batches this year. It's a special birthday present for your child and a wonderful way to teach the importance of books.

Join no later than Friday, October 23rd by using the QR code to go online and fill out the form and payment information.

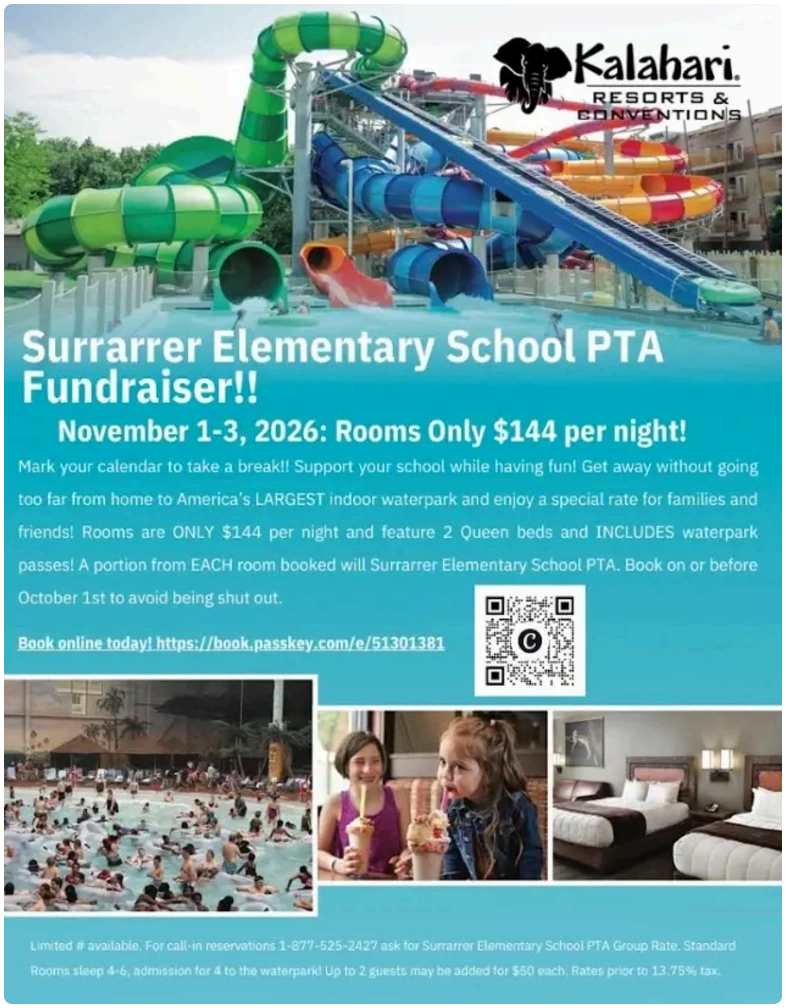
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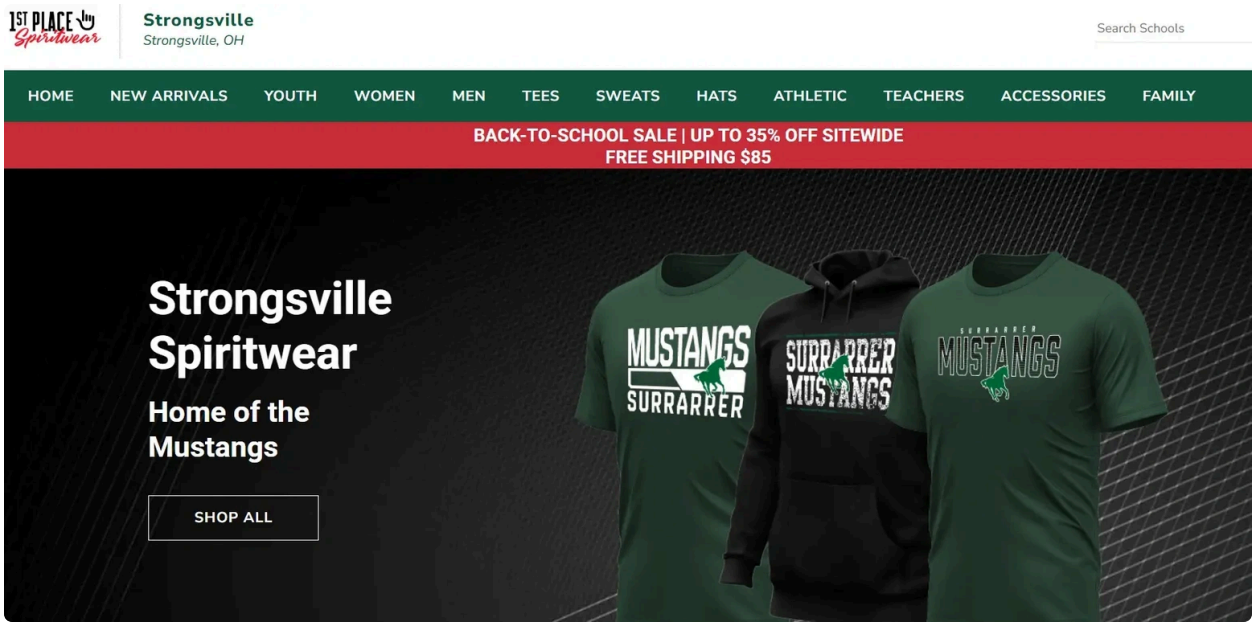
Amanda Balewski & Stephanie Termine

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Birthday Book Club Co-Chairs, Surrarrer Elementary

Birthday Book Club- Click Here





Order Surrarrer Spirit Wear Here

Community Events









Polaris Explorer Club



We're excited to announce that **registration is now open for the Fall Explorer Club** at Polaris Career Center! Explorer Club gives 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students an opportunity to explore careers through fun, hands-on activities led by Polaris instructors.

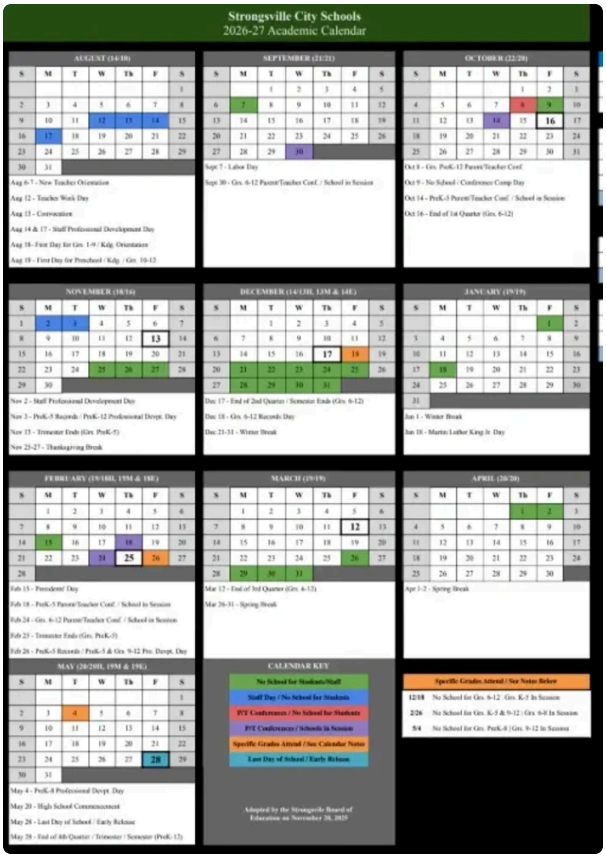
Fall Explorer Club Dates:
Wednesday, October 21 & Thursday, October 22
4:30–6:30 p.m.
Polaris Career Center

Students will select one class to attend for both evenings, giving them the opportunity to dive deeper into an area that interests them while getting an early look at career and technical education.

Explorer Club- More Information

RWB Encore Schedule/ School Calendar







Surrarrer Elementary School

School Hours: 9:05 am- 3:30 pm
Half Day Kindergarten 9:05-11:45 am
Phone Number: (440) 572-7170
Attendance Line: (440) 572-7170 choose #2