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SOUTHMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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ALL HAIL SOUTHMORELAND

Here's the Latest Scottie News:

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25TH MAY

MEMORIAL

MEMORIAL DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

“Cultivating Lifelong Learners Ready
For An Ever-Changing World”

Memorial Day - No School

This is a reminder that there will be no school for students or staff on Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.

As we enjoy the long weekend, we also pause to honor and remember all of the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country. Their sacrifice allows us to continue living, learning, and growing in the freedoms we experience each day.

Thank you, and have a safe and meaningful Memorial Day weekend.



Early Dismissals

As we wrap up another successful school year, please note that Friday, May 29th will be an early dismissal day for all students.

Dismissal times are as follows:

Southmoreland High School – 10:15 AM
Southmoreland Middle School – 10:55 AM

Southmoreland Elementary & Primary Center – 11:30 AM

We thank you for your continued support throughout the year and wish all of our students and families a safe, fun, and restful summer!



SSD Summer Break Information

5/29 - Last Day for Students

6/2 - Last Day for Staff

8/10 - Heat Week for Football/Golf Begins

8/17 - Mandatory Practices Begin

8/17 - Schedules Posted on CSIU

**8/21 - 8/28 - Teacher Clerical,
In-Service, and Act 80 Days**

8/31 - First Day of School -

K, 1, 2, 6, 9

**9/1 - First Day of School for All Grades &
CWCTC Students**

Office Hours: 8:00am-3:00pm Monday-Thursday

8:00am-3:00pm Friday (*by appointment only*)

Closed 12:00pm-1:00pm for Lunch

**Be Sure to Check Our Social Media Outlets For
Orientation Information and Important
Updates!**

"Cultivating Lifelong Learners Ready For An Ever-Changing World"

Last Day of School and Summer Info

As we get closer to the end of the school year, we wanted to share a quick reminder to please review the attached graphic for important end-of-school-year and summer information.

The graphics include helpful reminders and details for families as we wrap up the school year and prepare for summer activities, programs, and opportunities throughout the district and community.

Thank you for your continued support, and we hope all of our students and families have a safe, enjoyable, and relaxing summer.

A graphic invitation for a graduation ceremony. At the top center is the South Moreland School District logo, which features a shield with a cross and a book, flanked by two lions, and the words "SOUTH MORELAND" below. Below the logo, the text "YOU ARE INVITED TO" is centered. The main title "Graduation Ceremony" is written in a large, red, cursive font. Below this, the date and time are displayed: "WEDNESDAY" on the left, "MAY 27" in the center, and "7:00 PM" on the right. The date "MAY 27" is in a large, red, serif font. Below the date, the location is listed: "Russ Grimm Field" and "2351 Route 981, Alverton, PA 15612". Below the location, the rain date(s) are listed: "Rain Date(s): Thursday, May 28 (@ Russ Grimm Field) Friday, May 29 (@ SHS Auditorium)". The background of the graphic is a blurred image of a football field with yard lines and numbers. The graphic is decorated with gold geometric patterns, including diamonds and zig-zags, and a gold ribbon-like border on the right side.

Graduation Reminder

As we look ahead to next week's Graduation Ceremony at Russ Grimm Field, we wanted to send one more reminder to our School Community....

With the recent upgrades to the facility, including the new scoreboard and sound system, we are looking forward to providing a special and memorable experience for our students, families, and community. Graduation is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 27th at 7:00 PM**, with a rain date of **Thursday, May 28th at 7:00 PM**. If weather does not

cooperate on both evenings, we will move the ceremony indoors on **Friday**.

We recognize that having multiple possible dates can make planning more difficult for families, and we truly appreciate your flexibility. At the same time, this approach allows us to provide the best possible setting for our students. Spring weather in southwestern Pennsylvania can change quickly, often impacting outdoor events on a day-to-day basis. By planning across three dates, we are working to create the most optimal environment for our graduates while minimizing last-minute disruptions.

This model is one that several neighboring schools have successfully used over the past decade, and it has proven to be an effective way to balance weather challenges with the goal of holding an outdoor ceremony whenever possible.

A final decision on whether the ceremony will be held outdoors will be made by **3:00 PM each day**, allowing families time to plan accordingly. Tickets will be distributed as if the ceremony will be indoors, but they will not be needed if we are able to hold the event outside.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we work to make this a meaningful and memorable experience for our graduates.



SCOTTDALE POLICE
DEPARTMENT



BIKE WITH A COP

Learn about road laws while having fun!

WHAT IS IT?

Learn how to stay safe while having fun on your bike

WHO CAN ATTEND?

Anyone that can ride a bike without training wheels for 2 miles

Helmets required for 12 yrs old and under



No e-scooters allowed
(they are illegal in PA)

E-Bikes are allowed if you
are 16 yrs old or older and it
can't go over 20mph.



***If you do not have a helmet or have any questions please email
mayorlindyhouse@gmail.com***

June 13th 🚲 12pm 🚲 Loucks Park-Basketball Court

Bike With a Cop Event

We wanted to share information about an upcoming Bike with a Cop event hosted by the Scottsdale Police Department.

This event will take place on June 13 at 12:00 p.m. at the Loucks Park Basketball Court. Students will have the opportunity to ride with local police officers while learning about bike safety, road laws, and how to stay safe while having fun.

This event is open to anyone who can ride a bike without training wheels for approximately 2 miles. Helmets are required for children 12 years old and younger.

Please note that e-scooters are not permitted. E-bikes are permitted for riders who are 16 years old or older, as long as the bike does not exceed 20 mph.

Families who do not have a helmet or who have questions may email mayorlindyhouse@gmail.com.



Summer SunBucks Information

We wanted to share an important reminder regarding Summer SUN Bucks a program that provides eligible families with a \$120 summer

Bucks, a program that provides eligible families with a \$125 summer grocery benefit per eligible student.

Because Southmoreland participates in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program, only students who are directly certified through state data will automatically receive the Summer SUN Bucks benefit through the school district's data submission.

Families who would typically qualify for free or reduced-price meals, but whose students are not directly certified, are strongly encouraged to complete a Summer SUN Bucks application through the Department of Human Services.

Applications can be completed online at:
<https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dhs/resources/summer-ebt>

Paper applications are also available through this Google Drive folder:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1kgHu9iqf6XLumXPSc0Eukuyi-l7rZ0_p?usp=drive_link

We encourage families to complete the application as soon as possible to make sure they do not miss out on this available summer benefit.

USDA Summer Food Service Program

The Summer Food Service Program provides meals to all eligible children during the summer for *FREE*.

Join us at the locations listed below!



NON-CONGREGATE BREAKFAST PACKS FOR THE NEXT MORNING WILL NOW BE PROVIDED FOR ALL CHILDREN WHO RECEIVE LUNCH MEALS AT THE PARKS. ADDITIONALLY, ALL SITES ARE NOW OPERATING AS NON-CONGREGATE SITES MEANING LUNCH MEALS ARE ABLE TO BE TAKEN OFF-SITE!



**Children must be 18 years or younger to qualify
All meals must be consumed on-site, seating available!**

LOUCKS PARK

BARCLAY PARK

EVERSON CENTENNIAL PARK

JUNE 15, 2026 – JULY 31, 2026

Monday-Friday, rain or shine

(No meal service Fri June 26 or Fri July 3)

Loucks Park 11:30 AM – 1:15 PM

Everson Centennial Park 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM

Barclay Park 12:15 PM – 1:00 PM

This program is operated by the Southmoreland School District. Additional activities may be available per site through respective borough agencies.

GIVEAWAYS & PARTICIPATION PRIZES AVAILABLE AT ALL SITES!

For more information, visit the Southmoreland Food Service website at www.southmoreland.net

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form

which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. mail:
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

2. fax:
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

3. email:
Program.Intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Summer Food Service Information

We wanted to share several summer meal opportunities available through the Southmoreland School District Food Services Department.

Free summer meals will be available for students attending YMCA or Y-Tots from June 1 through August 14, between 11:00 a.m. and noon. Students attending ESY programs will also receive free meals. ESY meals will be provided Monday through Thursday during the weeks of June 15, June 22, July 6, July 13, July 20, and July 27. Students attending ESY at the high school will receive both breakfast and lunch daily. Students attending ESY at the Scottdale campuses will receive breakfast daily, and lunch will be available at Loucks Park from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

In addition, the USDA Summer Food Service Program will provide free meals for children 18 years of age and younger at community park sites from June 15 through July 31, Monday through Friday, rain or shine. Please note there will be no meal service on Friday, June 26 or Friday, July 3.

Community meal sites include:

Loucks Park — 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Everson Centennial Park — 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Barclay Park — 12:15 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Due to the new rural/non-congregate designation, lunches provided at the park sites may be taken off-site. Students receiving lunch at the parks will also receive a shelf-stable breakfast kit for the next morning.

No cost or sign-up is required. Families are encouraged to review the attached flyers for additional details, QR codes, and food service information.

[YMCA Specific Information](#)

[ESY Specific Information](#)





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

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

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

STEP 2: Locate the 'Dated School Admission' box

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'

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

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

IMPORTANT: DO NOT CAPITALIZE ANY CHARACTERS OF THE PROMO CODE.
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.

RAINY DAY GUARANTEE

www.kennywood.com



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)

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

IDLEWILD.COM

BUY EARLY AND SAVE!

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

STEP 1: Go to www.idlewild.com/groups/schools

STEP 2: Locate the 'Dated School Admission' box

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 \$35.99:

(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.idlewild.com/groups/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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School Picnic Information

We're excited to share two great opportunities for our students, families, and community to enjoy some fun together this summer **at a discounted rate!**

Kennywood – Southmoreland Day
Friday, June 12, 2026
\$32.99 per ticket (if purchased by May 18)
After May 18, tickets increase to \$35.99.

Idlewild & SoakZone – Southmoreland Day
Friday, June 26, 2026
\$29.99 per ticket *(if purchased by May 18)*
After May 18, tickets increase to \$31.99.

Both parks are offering these special discounted rates exclusively for our district, an excellent way to kick off summer with family and friends while representing Southmoreland!

Additional Option:

Flexible “Any Day” tickets are also available at a slightly higher rate if you’re unable to attend on the designated school district day.

How to Purchase:

Visit each park’s website and follow the “School/Group” ticket instructions using the Southmoreland promo codes listed in the attached flyers.

We hope to see many of our Scottie families enjoying these special days together. It’s a great opportunity to build connections, create memories, and celebrate the end of another successful school year.



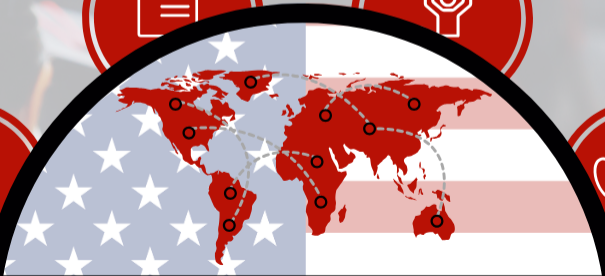
**At Southmoreland,
we cultivate learners that.....**

A
Accountability is developed through honesty, accepting responsibility, meeting obligations, learning from mistakes, fostering trust and reliability.

R
Resiliency involves bouncing back from challenges, adapting to adversity, maintaining optimism, persisting through difficulties, fostering strength and growth.

C
Citizenship is demonstrated through respectful behavior, participation, volunteering, and community service, fostering positive contributions.

E
Empathy is shown through understanding, compassion, perspective-taking, supporting others, fostering connection and mutual respect.



SOUTHMORELAND PORTRAIT OF A LEARNER
“CULTIVATING LIFE-LONG LEARNERS READY FOR AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD”

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