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SOUTHMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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ALL HAIL SOUTHMORELAND

Here's the Latest Scottie News:

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26/27 Student Schedules

**AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK THROUGH
THE CSIU PARENT PORTAL:
STUDENT SCHEDULES - 3 PM 8/10**

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EVER-CHANGING WORLD"**



CSIU Parent/Student Portal

We are excited to share that student schedules and important back-to-school information will be available in the CSIU Parent and Student Portal beginning at the close of business on **Monday, August 10**.

By logging into the portal, families will be able to view student schedules, teacher assignments, and other important details to help prepare for the start of the new school year.

If you have not yet accessed your Parent or Student Portal account or need assistance logging in, please contact your child's school office for support.

We look forward to welcoming our students back later this month and are excited for another great year of learning at Southmoreland!



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SOUTHMORELAND PRIMARY CENTER

**BACK TO
SCHOOL**

**KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION:
AUGUST 12-14**

**MORE DETAILED INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED WITH
FAMILIES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE AUGUST!!!!**





Kindergarten Orientation Info

We are excited to welcome our newest Scotties to the Southmoreland Primary Center!

August 12–14 is our Kindergarten Orientation. Packets were available starting this past week with more detailed information. This will be an opportunity for our incoming kindergarten students and their families to get ready for an exciting start to the school year.

We can't wait to welcome the newest members of the Southmoreland family!

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UPCOMING EVENTS



**AUG
12-14**

**KINDERGARTEN
ORIENTATION**

SPC - 9AM-1PM

OPEN HOUSE

**SPC 1ST &
SES 4TH/5TH -
5PM-7PM**

**AUG
17**

**AUG
19**

OPEN HOUSE

SMS - 5PM-7PM

OPEN HOUSE

**SES 2ND/3RD -
5PM-7PM**

**AUG
20**

**AUG
20**

**FRESHMAN
ORIENTATION AND
OPEN HOUSE**

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**SCHOOL
STARTS
AUG 31 &
SEPT 1!!!**

**SOLA
STARTS
AUG 24!!!**

SHS - 5PM-7PM

**FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
WWW.SOUTHMORELAND.NET**

Back to School Events

As we get ready for another school year, we want to make sure families have our upcoming **Open House and Orientation dates** on their calendars!

August 12–14: Kindergarten Orientation at SPC, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

August 17: SPC 1st Grade and SES 4th/5th Grade Open House, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

August 19: SMS Open House, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

August 20: SES 2nd/3rd Grade Open House, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

August 20: SHS Freshman Orientation and Open House, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

We are looking forward to welcoming our students and families back into our schools and kicking off a great 2026–2027 school year!

Please see the attached graphic for additional information and mark your calendars. SOLA begins August 24, and the first day of school is August 31 for grades K–6 and September 1 for grades 7–12.

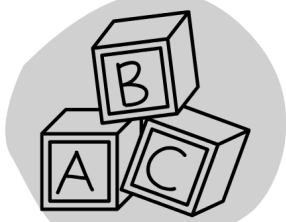
We can't wait to see everyone back in our buildings!

**AUGUST 31ST/
SEPTEMBER
1ST**



**SOUTHMORELAND
SCHOOL
DISTRICT**

**STAGGERED
START**



- **AUGUST 31ST**
 - **SPC GRADES K-1**
 - **SES GRADE 2**
 - **SMS GRADE 6**
 - **SHS GRADE 9**

**WHY?
TO HELP WITH THE
TRANSITION OF
STUDENTS TO A NEW
SCHOOL AND MORE
DETAILED SCHEDULE**

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- **SEPTEMBER 1ST**
 - **SES GRADES 3-5**
 - **SMS GRADES 7-8**
 - **SHS GRADES 10-12**
 - **CWCTC STUDENTS**

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Staggered Start Info

As we prepare for the start of the 2026–2027 school year, we want to remind families that Southmoreland will once again use a staggered start for students.

On Monday, August 31, students entering a new school building will report for their first day:

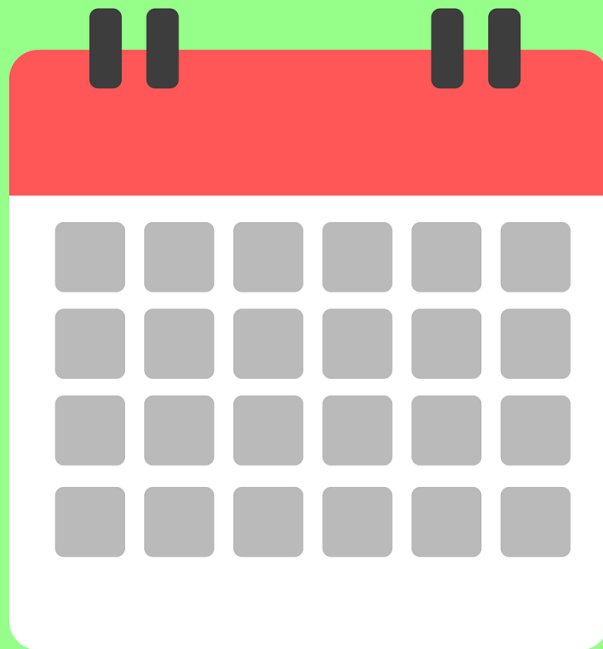
SPC: Grades K–1
SES: Grade 2
SMS: Grade 6
SHS: Grade 9

On Tuesday, September 1, all remaining students will begin:

SES: Grades 3–5
SMS: Grades 7–8
SHS: Grades 10–12
CWCTC students

The staggered start is designed to give students transitioning to a new school building an opportunity to become familiar with their new surroundings, routines, schedules, and staff before all students return.

Please see the attached graphic for additional information. We look forward to welcoming our students back for another great school year!



School Calendar

As we prepare to welcome our students back for another great school year, I wanted to share a few reminders about the 2026–2027 School Calendar.

When developing this year's calendar, the Board and administration carefully considered many factors, including CWCTC schedules, the Westmoreland County Fair, holidays, contractual obligations, and state instructional requirements. Our goal was to create a calendar that supports high-quality instruction while meeting the needs of our students, staff, and families.

One of the most noticeable changes this year is the shift from two-hour delay Data Meetings to two-hour early dismissals on select Fridays. This change was made after reviewing staff feedback and discussing ways to provide families with a more predictable schedule for childcare. Throughout the year, we will monitor attendance and evaluate how this new model is working.

As in the past two years, students are scheduled to complete the school year by the end of May, and we have maintained an approximately two-week Winter Break, reflecting feedback from families who value that extended time together during the holidays

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You will also notice that our Act 80 Days are scheduled before the start of school, allowing teachers dedicated time for planning and professional learning as we implement our new K–5 English Language Arts curriculum and continue curriculum alignment work across the district.

If you have not already done so, please take a few moments to review the full 2026–2027 School Calendar, available on the district website.

We look forward to an outstanding school year with our Scottie families!

Scottdale Public Library & Southmoreland Elementary Present:
Inside Out Family Movie Night
Big Feelings, Strong Families



Postponed



Southmoreland Elementary Cafeteria

Visit our Wellness Fair in between movies for games and activities!



This isn't just a movie...
We'll pause along the way for fun activities and meaningful conversations to help families:

<https://www.disneyclips.com/images5/inside-out2-clipart.html>



Understand emotions

Talk openly together

Build stronger connections

Plus—free pizza & popcorn included!

Families with children In grades 2-5 are welcome to attend!

Scan to register



~Registration Required~



Inside Out Family Movie Night - Postponed

Thank you for your interest in our **Big Feelings, Strong Families: Inside Out Family Movie Night**.

To provide more families with the opportunity to participate, we have decided to postpone this event until later this fall. We believe a new date will allow for greater participation and ensure that more of our families can enjoy this meaningful experience together.

When rescheduled, families with children in grades 2–5 can look forward to an engaging event featuring *Inside Out*, interactive activities, a Wellness Fair, opportunities for family discussion, and free pizza and popcorn.

We appreciate your understanding and look forward to sharing the new date and registration information in the coming weeks.



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

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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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