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SCIS OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



2025-2026

School Mission & Vision:

The mission of Sumter County Intermediate School is to challenge, nurture, and support students on their journey towards graduation.

The Vision of Sumter County Intermediate School is to graduate all students college and career ready who are productive citizens empowered to be competitive in a global society.



Reminder

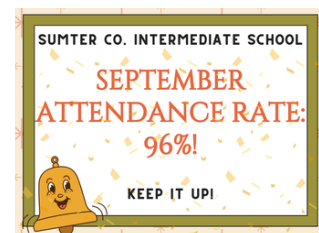


- **ATTENDANCE MATTERS:** Arrive on time everyday! Submit excuses as soon as a student returns. Good attendance leads to success!
- Students, take care of your Chromebook. You are responsible for the one that is assigned to you.
- Bring wired ear buds to school for lessons on the computer.
- Book bags should be clear or mesh.
- The Sumter County School-Based Health Center is located at 123 Learning Lane, Americus, Georgia. The number is 229-493-9670.
- Help a Child Smile dental program is joining schools to offer full-service dental care at school. Must sign up online: www.MySchoolDentist.com
- During the 2025 - 2026 school year, Sumter County Intermediate School has been approved to sell pictures, hospitality, book fair, doughnuts, grab bags, T-shirts, ice cream, car wash, dress-down days and school dances/activity day.

Upcoming events:

- October is National Principals Month
- Oct. 2 - National Custodian Day
- Oct. 2 - End of 1st 9 wks
- Oct. 3 - W.I.N. Learning Day/Curriculum Planning (Teacher work day)
- Oct. 5: World Teacher's Day 
- Oct. 6 - Afterschool Program begins
- Oct. 6 - National Coaches Appreciation Day
- Oct. 6 - National Instructional Coaches Day
- Oct. 8 - Hispanic Culture Dress Up Day
- Oct. 10 - PBIS Celebration
- Oct. 13 - 17 - FALL BREAK!
- Oct. 14 - Columbus Day / Indigenous People's Day
- Oct. 13 - 17 - National School Lunch Week
- Oct. 15 - Hispanic Heritage Month ends
- Oct. 16 - National Boss's Day
- Oct. 20 - 24 - National School Bus Safety Week
- Oct. 21 - Literacy and family engagement night
- Oct. 23 - 31 - Red Ribbon /Drug-Free America Week
- Oct. 22 - Report Cards
- Oct. 24 - AR & Reflex Celebration
- Oct. 29 - Honor's Day
- Oct. 31 - Halloween & Fall Dance

CHECK OUT



DID YOU KNOW? FUN FACT

- Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
- It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.
- A crocodile cannot stick its tongue out.
- Almonds are a member of the peach family.
- Maine is the only state that has a one-syllable name.

Some October Funnies:

Q1: What subject is a witch good at in school?

Q2: Why did the cookie go to the doctor?

Q3: How do you mend a broken pumpkin?

Q4: What is the cutest of all seasons?



Answers on the back

Staff Spotlight: Mrs. Doraine Parks, 6th Grade ELA Teacher

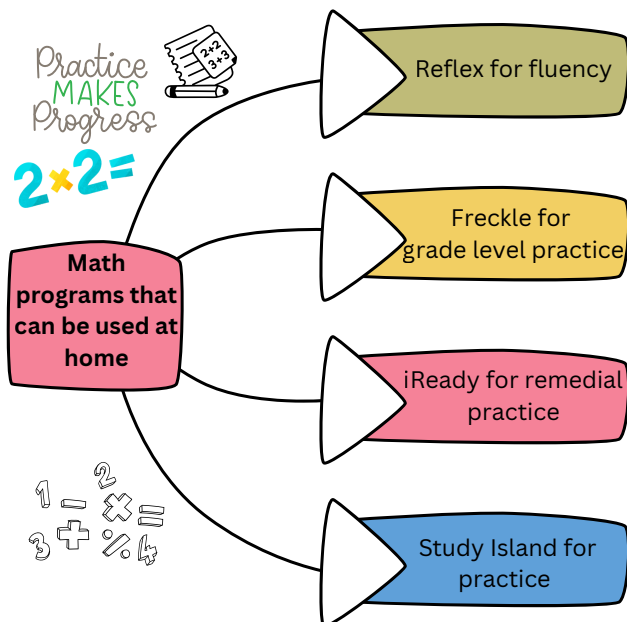
Ms. Parks has been in education for 21 years. She holds a teaching diploma in English & Literature, a degree in Language & Literacy and a master's degree in Special

Education. She chose this career because she believes it is through education that she can positively contribute to the transformation of lives. She said, "Teaching gives me the chance to guide students as they discover their strengths, overcome challenges, and envision brighter futures for themselves. As a passionate educator, I not only get to teach, but I also get to simultaneously empower both students and my colleagues to strive toward becoming their best selves."

As a former 5th grade ELA teacher, she is excited to be part of the 6th grade team. It fills her with excitement and purpose. This position has allowed me to collaborate closely with my team and create a dynamic learning environment where every student feels valued and empowered. She aims to inspire curiosity, resilience, and a love for learning that will stay with them far beyond the school year.

She expressed that her goal is to continuously grow and refine instructional skills to better prepare students to be college and career ready.

Ms. Parks revealed that a fun fact about her is that although she may walk with a frown, she is a loving person who enjoys making people smile.



Parent Resource Center:

Come visit the parent resource center to check out books and supplies to use at home with your child. Computers are also available for parents to explore Parent Portal and educational resources.

Hours of Operation: 11:30 - 3:30.

Some October Funnies:

- A1: spelling.
- A2: it was feeling crummy.
- A3: with a pumpkin patch!
- A4: Awww-tumn.



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Family and Staff,

Thank you faculty and students for another great month of teaching and learning. Thank you parents and guardians for your continued support.

I would like to give a special PAW Shout Out to everyone for our 96% attendance rate for the month of September.

Dr. Mohan Gugulothu (Dr. G)

Principal, Sumter County Intermediate School



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