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SCIS September 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.

Some September Funnies:

Q1: What has ears but cannot hear a thing?

Q2: What did one leaf say to the other?

Q3: Why do birds fly south in the fall?

Q4: What is the best thing to put in a pumpkin pie?



Answers on the back

Upcoming events:

- September is Attendance Awareness Month
- 9/4 - Grandparent's Luncheon
- 9/5 - PBIS Celebration
- 9/5 - Early Release/Parent Conferences
- 9/7 - Grandparents Day
- 9/15 - Hispanic Heritage Month Begins
- 9/16 - IT Professionals Day
- 9/22 - 9/26 - Homecoming Week

September is Attendance Awareness Month!

It is important that students attend school EVERY DAY including Early Release Days. Good attendance is important because students are more likely to be successful academically.

Our District Attendance Goal is 95%.
Our SCIS Attendance Goal is 96%.

Thanks to our SCIS Parents for your unwavering support with making sure our students are in school daily. Thanks for reducing unexcused tardies and absences.

SCIS hit our attendance goal for the month of August!



Good Job!!

DID YOU KNOW? FUN FACT

- Cows have best friends and get upset when separated.
- Caterpillars have twelve eyes.
- Froot Loops cereal are all the same flavor, even though they are different colors.
- Venus spends backwards.
- Butterflies taste with their feet.
- Hot water will turn to ice faster than cold water.



Staff Spotlight: Mrs. Amy Deriso, Academic Coach

This is Mrs. Deriso's 13th year in education, with 12 of those years in the classroom. She explained that becoming an educator wasn't something she originally planned—education chose her, and she's grateful it did. She further explained that her favorite part of being a teacher is having the opportunity to pour into the lives of others and make a lasting impact.

As a new academic coach, she is excited about the opportunity to support both students and teachers. She loves that this role allows her to touch many lives, not just within a single classroom, but across the school community.

She shared that her current goal is to help students and teachers meet their personal goals so that, together, everyone can reach our school's overall goals.

Finally, she shared a fun fact that many people would not guess about her. She revealed that she loves to sing and dance, but she's actually very shy.



SEL stands for Social Emotional Learning. SEL lessons help people manage emotions and build relationships.

SCIS Staff are conducting SEL Circles with their students to help students develop essential life skills such as self-management and relationship skills.

Some September Funnies:

- A1: a cornfield.
- A2: I'm falling for you.
- A3: It's too far to walk.
- A4: your teeth.



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Family and Staff,

Thank you for a great month of high quality teaching and learning! You are making a difference!

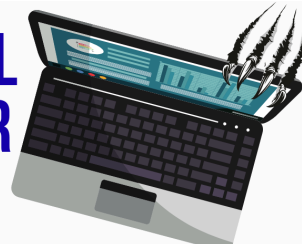
PAW Shout to all students, families, and staff for creating a welcoming learning environment for our students. August Student Attendance Rate: 96.0. KUDOS! PROUD OF YOUR WORK! Your loving and nurturing principal,

Mohan Gugulothu (Dr. G)

Principal, Sumter County Intermediate School



BE INTENTIONAL WITH COMPUTER CARE



DO'S

- Do handle your computer with INTENTIONAL CARE.
- Do sit Chromebooks on a flat surface.
- Do report missing or damaged immediately.
- Do avoid food and drink around technology.
- Do use only approved websites and apps.
- Do keep your password to yourself.

DON'TS

- Don't walk with an open Chromebook or laptop.
- Don't yank on charging cords when removing from the cart.
- Don't write on, carve on, or place stickers on the Chromebook.
- Don't remove identification stickers placed by the school or your teacher.
- Don't use a Chromebook that is not assigned to you.



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.

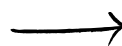


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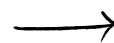
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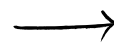
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