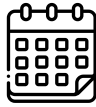


SHIPPENSBURG AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAROON AND GREY MONTHLY

OCTOBER 2022

Dates to Remember:



- October 10th -- Schools Closed, In-service day
- October 10th -- School Board Meeting
- October 11th - October 13th -- FCCTC Presentations 8th grade
- October 18th -- Last day of Exploratory Cycle 1
- October 19th -- First day of Exploratory Cycle 2
- October 19th -- PTO Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- October 21st -- Picture Make Up Day
- October 24th - 28th -- Red Ribbon Spirit Week
- October 24th -- School Board Meeting
- October 26th -- Unity Day /Anti Bullying (Wear Orange)
- October 26th -- Trunk or Treat Community Event (SASHS)
- October 28 -- First Marking Period Celebration Day
- November 8th - 10th -- Parent/Teacher conferences
- November 11th -- Schools Closed
- November 16th -- Schools Closed/In-service
- November 23rd -- 2 Hour Early Dismissal
- November 24th - November 29th -- Schools Closed
- January 4th -- Red Raider basketball game

Free Breakfast:

Governor Tom Wolf has announced that free breakfast will be provided for all enrolled students during the 2022-23 school year, effective October 1, 2022.

Breakfast Is On Us!

EFFECTIVE 10/1/2022

All schools participating in the School Breakfast Program (SBP) will provide free breakfast for all enrolled students during the 2022-23 school year.

- This pertains to breakfast only. Students will still be required to pay for lunch unless approved for free/reduced meals.
- Students will be required to pay for an additional breakfast or a la carte items.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022.

PBIS Wishlist:

The PBIS team has created an Amazon wish list to help procure items for weekly raffles and marking period fun days. If you are willing to purchase an item from the wish list please visit [Amazon](#) at this link.



PTO:



The PTO held two successful skate nights in the month of September. We are thankful for all of the parent volunteers and students that attended the event. Look for more events to occur in the future. The next PTO meeting will take place Wednesday, October 19th at 7:00 p.m in the SAMS cafeteria. Please consider attending.

SAVE THE DATE: All SAMS students are invited to attend the SU Raiders basketball game on January 4th for FREE with the accompaniment of a parent/guardian.

Bus Safety Week:

A reminder to students that behavior on the bus should replicate behavior in the classroom. Students should be:

- seated
- quiet
- respectful

throughout the bus ride. Electronics may be used on the bus, however music should not be played without earbuds.

Red Ribbon Week:

The month of October is National Bullying Prevention Month. During the month of October, SAMS's students will be participating in discussions and activities to discuss bullying, including cyberbullying, and how to be an advocate for themselves and each other. This will include a Red Ribbon and Anti-Bullying Spirit Week from Oct 24-28. (see attached flier)

Volunteer Information:

The volunteer procedures have changed for this year. There are two types of volunteers, each requiring their own paperwork. A **Position** Volunteer is someone who is responsible for a child's welfare and having direct contact with children. A **Guest** Volunteer works directly under the supervision of a school staff member. Visit the volunteer page for more information at <https://shippensburgarea.schoolinsites.com/volunteer>.

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SAMS Website:

The SAMS website was fully revamped this summer. Key pieces of information are provided on the website for families including teacher contact information, office contact information, building schedules, day cycle, calendar of events, team websites with daily/weekly homework assignments, and various resource links. Please take a moment to review the information.

Attendance:

If your student has missed a day of school, an excusal note must be submitted within three days for the absence to be excused. Additionally, you are able to e-mail attendance@ship.k12.pa.us to provide an excusal note or upload a picture of a doctor's note if you prefer. Students missing school for an educational trip, should submit the educational trip form prior to planned absences.

Red Ribbon and Anti-Bullying Spirit Week

Oct 24-28



MONDAY

Jersey Day

Team up against bullying and drugs!

TUESDAY

Mix Match Day

Wear clothes that don't match to show that you and drugs and bullying don't mix!



WEDNESDAY

Unity Day

Wear orange! Color war - The homeroom from each team who wears the most orange wins an "orange" prize!



THURSDAY

Twin Day

Pair (or triple up) against drugs and bullying!



FRIDAY

Greyhound Pride

Wear your Greyhound gear or maroon and gray to show that you are Greyhound proud!

Community Resources:

Aliff Counseling -- 717.477.2556

(School Based Mental Health Provider)

Teenline -- 866.350.4357

Cumberland/Perry Drug and Alcohol -- 717.240.6300

Crisis Chambersburg Hospital -- 717.264.2555

Drew Michael Taylor Greif Support --

<https://drewmichaeltaylor.org/>



Building Contact Information:

Main Office -- 717.530.2750

Summer Office Hours -- 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SAMS Attendance E-Mail -- samsattendance@ship.k12.pa.us

Principal -- Jeremy Barnes

Assistant Principal --

Stephanie Barnhart -- Last Names A - K

April Fitz -- Last Names L - Z

School Counselor --

Angie McKee -- Last Names A - K

Rosemary Junkin -- Last Names L - Z