

SGSC PARENT NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 20TH-24TH, 2021

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Good afternoon Everyone,

We are so excited to see our students this week! We ask that if at all possible, please send your child to school each day. We understand that there are factors that may prohibit them from attending each and every day, but we need them there as much as possible. When they are out - yes, they miss assignments and have to work to get those completed, but we are most concerned with the actual instruction that they are missing. Teachers and staff are doing their best to catch the students up, but it is proving to be a very difficult task because they miss the actual full day of instruction when they are out. We are a team, and I know that quarantines are difficult for everyone - I am mainly speaking to absences outside of quarantines - early checkouts, tardies, etc. are showing an increase. We appreciate any help with this important task of improving attendance. Thanks!

Reminder:

Parents - please make sure that you are attempting to reach out to the teachers before emailing or calling myself or Ms. McBride with issues related to your child's behavior and academics. The relationship between the parent and teacher is SO important. They are the ones that are spending the most time with your child each day, grading their assignments, and monitoring their behavior. They will be able to help you much quicker than we will. We want to strengthen the important relationship between the parent and teacher. Of course, we will always be there, but our first question will be "Have you spoken to the teacher?"

We are so thankful to our staff for all that they are doing to serve those in person and those that are quarantining! If you would like to nominate a Staff member for a SHOUT OUT, please click the link below to complete the form! Thanks so much for recognizing our staff and all of their efforts!

Staff Shout Out Form: <https://forms.gle/ngToLSDxjNZ8HjwH6>

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to send me an email at galmon@sowegastemcharter.org.

Sincerely,
Ginger Almon

COVID UPDATE FROM SGSC FOR 9-20-21

COVID INFORMATION FOR SGSC 9/20/2021

Positive Cases:

Staff - 0

Students - 0

Quarantines:

Staff - 1

Students - 2

Other information:

Please do not send your child to school if they are experiencing symptoms related to COVID, if someone in the household is positive, or if there is a pending COVID test for the student or household member.



MORE COVID INFORMATION

These figures are based on what will happen on Monday, September 20th. Also, please keep in mind that some of the positive cases are remaining on the count because we leave them up for the two weeks - these are not necessarily new COVID cases - some may also be from last week. If you have any further questions, please reach out to our school nurse, Kristen Roland - kroland@sowegastemcharter.org or 229.345.3033 or myself galmon@sowegastemcharter.org.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

SOUTHWEST GEORGIA STEM CHARTER | 2021-2022 CALENDAR

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SGSC CAFETERIA INFORMATION

Please remember all students will receive a free lunch and breakfast this year!

SEPTEMBER 2021 Southwest Georgia STEM Charter **BREAKFAST**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Breakfast: Apple Pancakes, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Apple Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Banana Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Apple Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Banana Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Apple Slices, Yogurt</p>



SEPTEMBER 2021 Southwest Georgia STEM Charter **LUNCH**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Lunch: Chicken Sandwich, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Apple Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Lunch: Turkey Sandwich, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Banana Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Lunch: Chicken Sandwich, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Apple Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Lunch: Turkey Sandwich, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Banana Slices, Yogurt</p>	<p>Lunch: Chicken Sandwich, Fruit, Milk</p> <p>Snack: Apple Slices, Yogurt</p>

BREAKFAST

LUNCH



FROM MS. MCBRIDE...

Whether your child is in elementary, middle, or high school, *every child* will eventually need clear and consistent help with their homework. As homework can directly impact a child's success in the classroom, as well as his or her overall educational development. By using positive steps proven to boost student performance, parents can intervene prior to a child's struggles with homework ever begin to surface.

1. Establish a Routine

That means helping students designate a set time and place where they can comfortably – and routinely – hit the books without being disturbed.

2. Create Boundaries

This may entail that a teenager's cell phone must be turned off during homework time, or a child's television or radio must be off until assignments are complete.

3. Get Organized

This might include creating a homework schedule or outlining daily progress goals.

4. Accountability and Responsibility

Parents should have clear rules about writing down assignments in a notebook or remembering to bring all necessary homework materials, such as books or calculators, home each night.

5. Encourage and Support

Approach homework with a positive attitude, and consistently reward the child with positive verbal feedback.



UPCOMING EVENTS AT SGSC

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 20th - Middle School Softball @ Miller County at 4:30 pm

September 21st - JV Softball @ Furlow Charter School at 4:30 pm


September 22nd - Middle School Softball against Terrell County @ SGSC at 4:30 pm

September 23rd - Cross County Meet @ Pelham at 4:30 pm

September 29th - School Picture Day - all grades


October 8th-11th - Fall Break

Aggie Adventures




**Positive
Office
Referral**
Wyatt Cagle

Wyatt's teachers wrote,
"Wyatt is such a great student! He tries his best in everything he does and always has the best manners. He comes to school ready to learn every day. We are so proud of you, Wyatt!! Keep up the good work!"



**Positive
Office
Referral**
Kenlee Bass

Kenlee's teachers wrote,
"Kenlee is an excellent student. She is always ready to learn new things and always comes to school with a big smile on her face. She is an excellent friend and role model to others. Mrs. Jessica and Mrs. Kenzie are SO proud of you, Kenlee! Keep up the great work!"



**Positive
Office
Referral**
Tyler Miller

Tyler's teachers wrote,
"Tyler comes to school with a positive attitude, and he gets right to work. He follows directions and is motivated to get anything done that is asked of him. We appreciate his zest for learning! Keep up the great work, Tyler!"


Positive Office Referral
Wyatt Dring

Wyatt's teacher wrote, "Wyatt is an amazing student! I am so glad he joined our school this year. He is always doing what is expected of him. He is so curious and is always asking questions to learn all he can. Any time that we have a second of downtime, I can find him with his nose in a book. He has made a fantastic addition to our class."



Positive Office Referral
Jerrisue Washington

Jerrisue's teacher wrote, "Jerrisue deserves a position of office referral because she is such a hard-working student! She is also very helpful and an amazing friend to everyone in our class! Keep up the great work! I am so proud of you!"




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PSAT/NMSQT

Practice for the SAT and have the opportunity to qualify for the scholarship programs including the National Merit Scholarship Program!

Who:

All 10th Grade Students

Where:

Held at SGSC

When:

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

Resources for test preparation have been sent to all 10th grade student emails.

Please see Ms. McBride for more information or if you have any questions.

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FROM OUR INSTRUCTIONAL COACHES...

Parents and Guardians,

Do you ever wonder why your child is learning what they are learning? Maybe you are interested in what they will learn throughout the rest of this year. If this describes you, take a moment to look at <https://www.georgiastandards.org/>. Once you've accessed the site, scroll down and click on the subject you are curious about. This will take you to a page where you can choose the grade level specific to your child. Here, you will find the standards that your child's teacher uses to guide his/her lessons and instruction each day.

The Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE) are the consistent frameworks for what students are expected to know, understand, and be able to do from year to year. Following this framework ensures that your child is on track for not just the next grade level, but also for graduating high school. These standards are also used when deciding the different curriculum programs chosen for SGSC students. If you have further questions concerning the Georgia Standards of Excellence, please do not hesitate to ask

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