

Vision

SMHS develops clear, unified practices and policies for all stakeholders in order to continually improve student learning.

SLO's

S = Socially Adjusted
A = Academically Advanced
I = Independent Learner
N = Noteworthy Citizen
T = Technologically Savvy

Mission

SMHS assures that all students achieve the high levels of learning required for success in college, career, or post-secondary training.

Santa Maria High School **Principal's 411**

May 28, 2023

Reminders:

Sunday 5/28 Prom tonight!!

Tuesday 5/30 Grad Nite

Thursday 6/1 Athletic Physical Night (5:30pm PVHS parking lot)

Thursday 6/8 Graduation Ceremony (11:30am; Stadium)

Security Measures

**Hang in there with the security policies*

- *First 10; Last 10*
- *Students check in phones in class*
- *Everybody with a hall pass*
- *Phones stay when students go to restroom*

These policies have made a HUGE difference on our campus.

Keep up the good work!!

Grades

May 26th 8:00am Sr. Grade check for possible senior "failures" was due. Seniors NOT entered on this list must pass the course.

May 29th grading window for FINAL Senior grades will re-open.

June 5th 3:00pm Final Senior grades due

This week in Athletics:

The 2022-23 athletic year came to a close with two big events promoting the future of the program and appreciating the year's accomplishments.

On May 17th we hosted the 2nd Annual Future Saints Night where Coach Ellington joined forces with Ms. Pallan, Mr. Diaz, and Mr. Salazar to include clubs and activities. We had the band, elective classes, Ballet Folklorico performances, and athletic teams all welcoming our incoming 9th graders and their parents.

On May 23rd Mr. Ellington hosted the Athletics End of the Year Banquet, where coaches, athletes and parents were invited to a dinner, and an awards ceremony where both coaches and athletes were recognized.

In the short time Dan has been Athletic Director he has initiated the above-mentioned Future Saints Night, the End of the Year Banquet. Additionally, this year we named 27 past athletes to the new SMHS Athletic Hall of Fame, a way to appreciate the history of our school and tie our alumni and community more tightly to our school.

Nice job to everyone involved in our athletics department. Things seem to be going in a great direction and I think our student athletes are lucky to be part of such a quality program.

Calendar Events at SMHS

	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Classified Appreciation Early out - ADMIN Colli	Classified Appreciation 6p End of the Year Atf	Classified Appreciation Senior Honor Night 6p Senior Honors Nigt	Classified Appreciation 4p Aeries / Parent Squ 6:30p Civic Engagem	Classified Appreciation 7p Guitar & Choir Spr	
	28	29	30	31	1	2
	8p SMHS Prom	No School Memorial D	GRAD NITE	4p Aeries / Parent Squ 6:30p Civic Engagem		
	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Finals Pd 1,2,7 Senior Tablet Returns	Finals Pd 3,4 6p District Board Mee	Finals Pd 5, Last Day of School	11:30a **Graduation** 11:30a Graduation Day 6:30p Civic Engagem		

Kudos

There are so many cool things happening this time of year it is difficult to give them all their deserved credit. To name a few, here are some of the events your fellow staff members have planned, arranged, run, and organized, and celebrated.

Senior Signing Night was a new event this year where seniors announced (if they wanted to) what college they planned to attend next fall. The parents were invited, and families were tabled according to which school their senior had committed to. This provided a lot of networking opportunities for the students and their parents. It was a great night and I

think it reassured a lot of students and parents that going off to college was going to be ok.

The annual **FFA Banquet** (5/11) was again amazing with the students running nearly the entire ceremony, great tri-tip dinner, and thousands of dollars in scholarships awarded.

Drug Prevention Parent Meeting (5/11) had approximately 150 parents come to hear information from Fighting Back Santa Maria and SMPD about the current threats of drugs, and in particular opiates, that are currently threatening our community.

Band concerts, Thursday and Friday night (5/11, 5/12) were both nights for our music program. The music was great and the level of talent our students is always so impressive. I have never seen another school with so many truly talented musicians and singers.

Staff Appreciation Luncheon (5/12) where we enjoyed a lunch and some time together while celebrating the retirement of many of our legendary staff members including; Mary Crowell, Tina Bennett, Ginny Barnett, Robin Schneider, Andy Garrett, Karen Draper, and Sheila Devine.

AVID Banquet was last week (5/16). This year's seniors have three classes of AVID taught by Shelly Springer, Rick Hebert, and Karen Draper. The teachers have been with these students for 4 years and are very close with these students, making it a really cool evening as a lot of gratitude was shared. Karen Draper perhaps stole the show announcing that this was her last graduating AVID class as she rides off into the retirement sunset.

Future Saints Night (5/17) was super-sized this year to include clubs and elective classes. Soon to be 9th graders and their parents were treated to much of the school's extracurricular activities, clubs, sports and classes. It was a huge success and got many of next year's 9th graders off to a good start at SMHS.

End of Year Athletic Banquet (5/23) See above.

Senior Honor's Night (5/24) is one of the last major events before the graduation commencement ceremony. The event recognized our Valedictorian and Salutatorian, the amazing accomplishments of over 120 seniors, and saw over \$300,000 in scholarships awarded.

Prom 5/29, **Grad Night** 5/30, and **Graduation Commencement Ceremony** (6/8) still to go!!

From the Principal: (Steve Campbell)

I've been pretty long-winded already so I will try to keep this short. The only thing I wanted to include was this year's valedictorian Elizabeth Sanchez Fernandez and salutatorian Emanuel Cortez. These two are impressive examples of goal setting, dedication, and hard work. More importantly, both of these Saints are incredibly bright and great young people. Both have amazing futures ahead of them. These are two great examples of the amazing students who come from our institution. Great job parents, teachers, staff members, and of course, Elizabeth and Emanuel.

Have a great week everyone, seven more schools days! You got this!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve Campbell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steve" being more prominent than the last name "Campbell".

(Steve Campbell, Principal SMHS)