

# SHIPPENSBURG AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## MAROON AND GREY MONTHLY

FEBRUARY 2025

### Dates to Remember:



January 21st - February 7th -- Toy and Treat Drive for Noah  
January 21st - February 4th -- IXL Winter Diagnostic  
February 3rd -- 8th Graders Schedule for High School  
February 3rd - 7th -- School Counseling Week  
February 5th - February 19th -- Krispy Kreme Fundraiser  
Order Collection; Orders due February 20th  
February 7th -- Music Department Pictures  
February 10th -- 2 hour delay  
February 12th -- Club Day  
February 14th -- No School  
February 15th -- SRO Appreciation Day  
February 17th -- No School  
February 19th -- PTO meeting @ 7:00 pm  
February 26th -- Club Day  
March 3rd -- Krispy Kreme Pick Up  
March 3rd - 7th -- School Social Work Week  
March 5th -- FireFly Practice Online Testing for PSSA's  
March 12th -- Club Day  
March 13th - 15th -- Alice in Wonderland Performance  
March 19th -- PTO Meeting @ 7:00 pm

### PSSA's:

PSSA's are quickly approaching and will take place in from April 22nd - May 1st. During this time it is important that students attend school daily and are well rested. This year our PSSA's will take place online. Students will need a charged chrome book daily that is in working condition. As a reminder PERSONAL electronic devices are not allowed in the testing room; this includes phones, smart watches, and personal calculators. The school will issue PSSA approved calculators for the testing period. Additional information will be distributed via the newsletter and the district's messaging system closer to the time.

### Spectator Reminders:

Middle school aged students and younger may not attend any SASD sporting event without being accompanied by a parent or guardian. Students must have an adult responsible for them throughout the sporting event contest.

### PTO:

The PTO is hard a work to raise funds for field trips and other fun activities for our students such as , skate nights, the Holiday Hang Out that took place in November and the 8th grade end of year celebration. The CherryDale fundraiser was a great success for our building raising over \$10,000 of our \$15,000 year budget.

### Upcoming events include:

February 5th - 19th - Krispy Kreme Fundraiser.  
Product will be delivered March 3rd, just in time for FASTNACHT DAY!  
April 1st - Jersey Mike's Dine for a Cause  
April 7th - April 11th - Spring Book Fair

As our PTO grows and the needs of our building grows, we are looking for large grant opportunities. If your business, organization, cooperation offers grants for school entities, please reach out to our building or the PTO secretary, April Rouzer using the PTO e-mail address: shipmiddlepto@gmail.com.

### Grades:

The second marking period ended in late January meaning we are over half way through the school year. It is critical to monitor student's grades for missing work and to ensure students are passing. Marking periods 1, 2 and 3 students earn a minimum of 55% for their grade. The fourth marking period students receive the grade that is earned. If you need access to Skyward, please contact our main office. Additionally, our Middle School website has a team page for each team within the building. On those team pages are links to the daily homework and assignments for your student. Families and students can reference these links to check for missing work, the day's homework, and to stay up to date while home with an illness.

The screenshot shows a website interface with a navigation menu on the left containing links like 'Home', 'About Us', 'Contact Us', 'Calendar', 'Attendance', 'Discipline', 'Enrollment', 'Forms', 'Grades', 'Health Services', 'Media Center', 'Music', 'Social Media', 'Sports', 'STAR Program', 'Teams', 'Tuition', 'Work Permits', and 'Workshops'. The main content area features a calendar for 'January 2024' with a grid of dates. Below the calendar, there are links for 'January 2024 Newsletter', 'December Newsletter', 'November Newsletter', and 'New Student Orientation Presentation'. A 'Policy #210 Update' section is also visible, with a note that students are not permitted to bring any medication to school.

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### CANDY SPIRIT WEEK

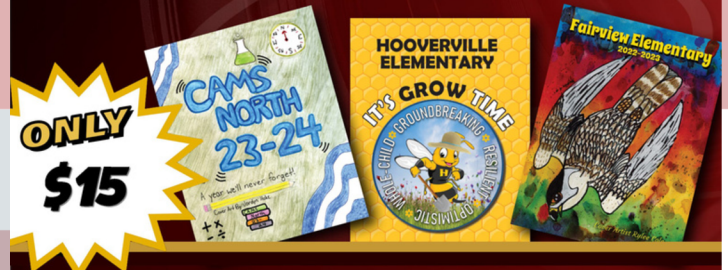


FEB 10	TWIN SNAKES CANDY DAY DRESS THE SAME AS A CLASSMATE OR TEACHER (OR A GROUP!) 
FEB 11	BE A SOUR PATCH KID DAY WEAR BRIGHT COLORS! 
FEB 12	LAFFY TAFFY DAY WEAR CRAZY HAIR OR A HAT AND MAKE YOUR CLASSMATES LAUGH! 
FEB 13	SWEETARTS DAY WEAR MIXED MATCH CLOTHES FOR SWEET AND SOUR! 
FEB 10 - 13	CANDY GRAMS WILL BE SOLD FOR \$1 DURING LUNCHESES. PROCEEDS GO TO THE SHIPPENSBURG COMMUNITY RESOURCE COALITION

## Shippensburg Middle School ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

Ordena Tu Anuario Hoy!

[CLICK HERE](#)



ONLY  
\$15

Questions? Call or email  
¿Preguntas? llamar o email

PICTURES PLUS & O'Keefe Photography  
717-765-9223 school@picplus.com

**DUE DATE: 3/3**

Fecha de vencimiento:



**Candy Cane Grams**  
Sold at lunch Feb 10-13



Candy Grams are \$1 and come with a candy cane OR a Be Kind sticker, pin or bracelet.

Both a candy cane and Be Kind item can be sent for \$2 total.

All money raised goes to the Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition.

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### New Staff:

Please help us welcome the following new teacher to the middle school:

Mackenzie Johnson - Replacing Karen Stambaugh, 6th grade Learning Support Math.

### Yearbooks:

Sales for online and paper orders will run Monday, February 3 to Monday, March 3. All paper orders are due Monday, March 3rd to the school. Paper orders received after March 3rd will be returned to the student to place the order online for an additional fee. Only online orders will be available for purchase until Monday, March 31st. After this date parents/students will have to contact the school to purchase a yearbook.

Use the link below to purchase online:

<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/shippensburgareamiddleeschool>

### TOY AND TREAT DRIVE

Spoil Noah with Toys and Treats

January 21st - February 7th  
Any toys and treats appropriate for dogs.



Place all items in the large dog crate in the lobby

### Building Contact Information:

Main Office -- 717.530.2750

Office Hours -- 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

SAMS Attendance E-Mail --

[samsattendance@ship.k12.pa.us](mailto:samsattendance@ship.k12.pa.us)

Principal -- Jeremy Barnes extension 5901

Assistant Principal --

Stephanie Barnhart -- Last Names A - K extension 5902

April Fitz -- Last Names L - Z extension 5903

School Counselor --

Angie McKee -- Last Names A - K extension 5923

Rosemary Junkin -- Last Names L - Z extension 5922

School Social Worker --

Tabitha Curtis extension 5917

### Building Website:

The middle school webpage is a great place to find information regarding your student's teachers and contact information, cycle days, building events, and homework materials. Visit [www.shipk12.org/middleschool](http://www.shipk12.org/middleschool).

### Dress Code:

A reminder to all students and families that students should be following the dress code published in the student handbook. Our dress code states that student's stomachs should be covered at all times. Crop tops are not acceptable attire for the school day.

### 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 Foundation --

<https://drewmichaeltaylor.org/>

