SHIPPENSBURG AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAROON AND GREY MONTHLY NOVEMBER 2026

Dates to Remember:

November 4th--Club Day
November 9th-13th--School Psychologist Appreciation Week
November 10th--2 hour early dismissal
November 10th--Parent/Teacher conferences
November 10th--Winter Sports Paperwork due
November 11th--Schools Closed
November 13th--1st Trimester Ends (Fitness and Health)
November 13th--Holiday Hangout
November 16th-20th--Book Fair!
November 16th--2 hour early Dismissal
November 16th--Parent/Teacher conferences
November 18th--PTO Meeting @ 7:00 PM
November 20th--Substitute Appreciation Day
November 24th--2 hour early dismissal
November 25th-November 30th--School Closed
December 2nd--Club Day

Tattoo Your Teacher

The PBIS team extended the deadline to purchase tattoos to place on your teacher. How does it work: Students pay $1 for a small tattoo or $5 for a sleeve like tattoo and choose which tattoo they would like to place on their teacher.

Teachers will be required to wear the tattoos to work next Friday, November 6th. This event helps us raise money to purchase and rent items for the end of year PBIS celebration day.

Reminders for Sporting Events

As we move into winter sport season, please remember that middle school students must have an adult accompany them to any sporting event. Students must enter with an adult and remain with the adult during the time of contest.

Additionally, students attending games after school are not permitted to loiter at the building between school and the event start time, Students must the leave the property and return with an adult.

Staff Changes

This month we will welcome two new staff additions to the middle school. Mr. Alan Tritt and Mr. David Mosher. Mr. Tritt will replace Mr. Parsley as the Emotional Support teacher. Mr. Tritt will take over the current courses and case load that Mr. Parsley handled. This transition will occur on November 9th.

Mr. Mosher will begin at the end of the month as the new Assistant Principal. Mr. Mosher comes to us from CAMS North with the Chambersburg School District and taught 4th grade math prior to his role in Administration. Mr. Mosher will be the Assistant Principal assigned to students with the last names starting A - K.

PBIS Criteria

Our Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) program rewards students for meeting expected behavior expectations. The program works to reward students through our paper currency, Champ Chances. Students can use the Champ Chances to purchase items in their classroom stores, participate in grade level raffles, go outside during lunch and enter raffles during marking period activities.

Marking period events also take place for all eligible students in our building. Students who have accrued two or more discipline referrals during the marking period would not be eligible to participate within the marking period event. Additionally, students who have been assigned ISS or OSS during the marking period would also be considered ineligible for the marking period event. There will be opportunities for restorative practices for students to earn their way back into the marking period events at the principal/assistant principal discretion.

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Homework and Grades:

The first marking period has ended and report cards have been sent home to the primary guardian listed in Skyward. To access your student's report card please log into your Skyward account. It is important to keep track of your student's progress throughout the school year to ensure success for your student.

Each team posts daily to the "homework slides" any materials that are being covered in class and students need to complete outside of class. These slides also outline any upcoming tests, quizzes, or projects. To access the homework slide navigate to our building website: https://shipk12.org/middleschool then navigate to your student(s) team page on the left hand side. At the bottom of each team page is a link to the homework slide.

Important Attendance Reminders

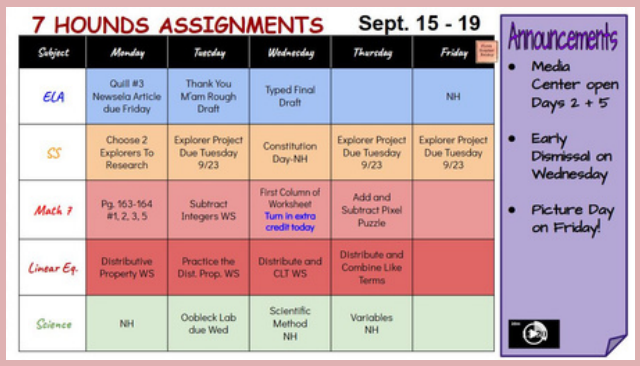
A reminder that students may have up to 10 days of excused absences prior to requiring a doctor's note. **Excused absences could include illness with a parent note, Educational Trip days, or appointments with a parent note.** After 10 days of excused absences all future absences will require a doctor's note to be excused. Students accruing more than 4 unexcused days will be asked to attend an attendance meeting and additional ramifications. If you have questions, please reach out to your student's assistant principal.

Safe 2 Say is an anonymous tip app and website that any user can report warning signs, threats to themselves or others, self harm, and other concerns before it is too late. Tips are assessed and process through the crisis center and acted upon as necessary by local agencies and school personnel.



Report Cards

Report Cards will be sent home with students on November 3rd for the 1st Marking Period. This is the only time we will send report cards home. Each student will receive one printed report card with directions of how to access future report cards digitially.



7 HOUNDS ASSIGNMENTS Sept. 15 - 19

Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ELA	Quill #3 Newsela Article due Friday	Thank You Ma'am Rough Draft	Typed Final Draft		NH
SS	Choose 2 Explorers To Research	Explorer Project Due Tuesday 9/23	Constitution Day-NH	Explorer Project Due Tuesday 9/23	Explorer Project Due Tuesday 9/23
Math 7	Pg. 163-164 #1, 2, 3, 5	Subtract Integers WS	First Column of Worksheet Turn in extra credit today	Add and Subtract Pixel Puzzle	
Linear Eq.	Distributive Property WS	Practice the Dist. Prop. WS	Distribute and CLT WS	Distribute and Combine Like Terms	
Science	NH	Oobleck Lab due Wed	Scientific Method NH	Variables NH	

Announcements
- Media Center open Days 2 + 5
- Early Dismissal on Wednesday
- Picture Day on Friday!



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Dolly Dollar Days

DONATION CAMPAIGN

Supporting Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

November 9 – December 8, 2026

Help put books into the hands of young readers.

Donations can be cash or checks.

Make checks payable to:

SAMS Choral Activity Fund

Campaign ends at the

SAMS Choral Concert

December 8, 2026 • 7:00 PM

SAMS Auditorium

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

A Midsummer Night's Dream

SASHS Drama Club

201 Eberly Drive

Nov 5th, 6th: 7PM

Nov 7th: 2PM and 7 PM

Adults: $10

Students: $8

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SAMS ATTIC

WINTER COAT & HYGIENE DRIVE FOR SAMS ATTIC

Coordinated by Shippensburg University Social Work Students

MORE THAN 1 IN 3 CHILDREN experience material hardship.

Material hardship can mean struggling to afford everyday necessities like clothing, hygiene products and other basic needs.

(Schenck-Fontaine & Ryan, 2022)

OCT 9 - NOV 13

DROPBOXES LISTED ON QR CODE

SCAN THIS QR CODE FOR THE SAMS ATTIC CHECKLIST!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT OUR TEAM!

Josh Woods -Chairperson
(717) 881-8342
Zakarai Coble - Community Liaison
(717) 977-2886
Zoe Barahona - Historian
(717) 398- 1876
Chrissy Weaver - Publicist
(717) 494 6696
David Holloman - Evaluator
(267) 707- 3153



Register

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

Register at www.franklinctc.com or use the QR code.

4:30-6:00 PM - EXPLORE Local Business Opportunities

5:30-7:00 PM - Self-Guided Tour

MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

27 PROGRAMS OF STUDY

- Agricultural Mechanics
- Allied Health
- Animal Science
- Auto Collision and Repair
- Auto Technology
- Building Construction Trades
- Carpentry
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Dental Assisting
- Diesel Mechanics
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical Occupations
- Electronics
- Engineering Technology
- Graphic Communications
- Heating, Venting, and A/C
- Information Systems Technology
- Landscaping & Horticulture
- Machining Technology
- Marketing/Web Design
- Mechatronics
- Medical Assisting
- Protective Services
- Veterinary Assisting
- Welding
- Workforce Development

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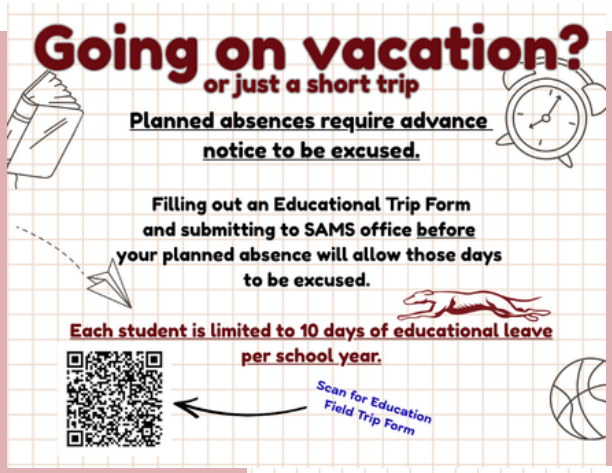
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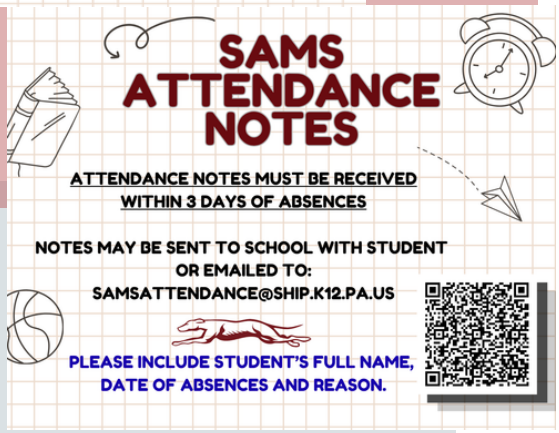
Social Media:

Middle School Administration does their best to keep families, students, and the community apprised of the fun and exciting activities taking place within the building and classrooms. Please consider following the middle school on social media to stay apprised of happenings.

Shbg Middle School

@shbgmiddleschool





PTO:

The PTO has made great strides for the Middle School. We are thankful for the parents of our students that want to support our building through this manner. Monthly meetings will occur on the third Wednesday of every month throughout the school year. Please check the calendar of events for dates and times. The PTO has been able to fundraise for various field trips and events for our students. We look forward to seeing you there.

Website:

The middle school has an active website as part of parent and community communication. The website includes a building calendar, team and department pages, and additional helpful links. Visit the website frequently to stay up to date on middle school happenings. www.shipk12.org/middleschool

Community Resources:

Aliff Counseling -- 717.477.2556
(School Based Mental Health Provider)
Crisis and Suicide Hotline --988
Cumberland/Perry Drug and Alcohol -- 717.240.6300
Crisis Chambersburg Hospital -- 717.264.2555
Drew Michael Taylor Grief Support --
https://drewmichaeltaylor.org/

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

Principal --
Stephanie Barnhart
Assistant Principal --
David Mosher – Last Names A - K
April Fitz -- Last Names L - Z
School Counselor --
Angie McKee -- Last Names A - K
Kirsty Herb -- Last Names L - Z
School Social Worker --
Tabitha Curtis