

# SGSC PARENT NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 19TH-23RD, 2022

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Hello Everyone,

We are excited to see all of our Aggie Achievers on 9/19/22! We truly have THE BEST achievers (students) in the state of Georgia! THANK YOU all for answering the phone when we call, supporting the decisions that we make, working with your child to improve, creating a loving and happy home for our achievers, and the list goes on and on....

Please use the following link to recognize your child's teacher or any staff member - <https://forms.gle/3j3bY65ofyw6oNAU7> - if you feel inclined to. I have polled the staff to learn about their "love language," and not surprisingly, the majority of our teachers' "love language" was words of affirmation. They simply want to hear that they are appreciated, supported, and cared about. Thank you all for being willing to SHOUT OUT your child's teacher or any staff member that makes a difference in your child's life!

DO NOT drop your child off in the teacher parking lot in the morning to avoid the car line drop off. This is dangerous because there is a lot of traffic in that area. Our line moves quickly, so please just go through the line like everyone else. Model the behavior that you expect your child to exhibit - if we ask them to follow the rules, you should do that same. Thanks for your help with this. We do not want anyone to get hurt.

We are having so many Achievers that are being checked out early throughout the week - especially on Fridays. Please remember - EARLY CHECKOUTS ARE DISCOURAGED AFTER 2:30 PM. Early checkouts after 2:30 PM are discouraged due to ongoing instructional practices that include remedial and acceleration opportunities for Achievers. In addition, students are also transitioning to various areas to prepare for dismissal.

Although early checkouts are discouraged, we do realize that extenuating circumstances such as doctor's appointments and family emergencies will occur. We will make every effort to accommodate, but **please do not come to check your child out to simply avoid waiting in the car rider line.**

If you need a change in transportation, you must provide this IN WRITING. This can be through a note sent to school with your child or you can email [transportation@sowegastemcharter.org](mailto:transportation@sowegastemcharter.org) to request the change. **These requests should be in place no later than 1:30 pm on the day of the request.**

You can find our [Student Handbook](#) on our school website ([www.swgeorgiastemcharter.com](http://www.swgeorgiastemcharter.com)) as well as many other important documents and information.

**RECOGNIZE YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER(S):** If you or your child would like to SHOUT OUT any staff member, please feel free by using the link: <https://forms.gle/3j3bY65ofyw6oNAU7>. It is important that we recognize those staff members that are such an important part of your child's life - it makes them feel special as well!

Parents - I want you all to know that we value your ideas and thoughts at SGSC. If you, at any time, feel that you could provide information or ideas about ways to improve SGSC, please click here - <https://forms.gle/JiFECdiizhqZYsdj9> - and share. We may not be able to do everything that is recommended, but know that we will be open and listen. Thanks!

Below, I have included an image of our adopted Vision and Mission Statements for SGSC. We are so excited to be able to work with you all to accomplish both the vision and mission for our school!

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

Sincerely,  
Ginger Almon

SGSC Elementary School PBIS Matrix				
	Restrooms	Hallways	Classroom	Bus
<b>S</b> <b>Be Safe</b> Students will maintain the safety of themselves and others.	Stand in a line, wait your turn. Follow all posted signs. Follow all directions from adults. Follow all directions from peers.	Walk on the right. Walk on the left. Walk on the right. Walk on the left.	Stand in a line, wait your turn. Follow all posted signs. Follow all directions from adults. Follow all directions from peers.	Stand in a line, wait your turn. Follow all posted signs. Follow all directions from adults. Follow all directions from peers.
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SGSC Middle/High School PBIS Matrix				
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Aggies are responsible, respectful, safe and persevere.

SGSC Vision	
A focused, competitive, hands-on, and joyful learning environment for all students that will prepare them to become successful, gracious, scholarly citizens.	
SGSC Mission	
Provide distinguished and integrated instruction in an environment that cultivates respect, is inclusive of all, and lays the foundation for excellence and life-long learning.	



22-23 BUS ROUTES			
Be at your stop by 8:00 AM, 15 min. before arrival as directed by the driver. Arrive at your bus stop ON TIME.			
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## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

In the event of excessive tardies, early dismissals, and absences the following notifications and actions shall occur:

**TARDIES and/or EARLY DISMISSALS**

- 5 Total of any combination of TARDIES and/or EARLY DISMISSALS = Letter of Notification to the student's Parent/Guardian(s).
- Once a student accumulates 5 Tardies and/or Early Dismissals the total time out of school due to tardies and early dismissals will be calculated and every 4 hours accumulated will be counted as one (1) absence.

**ABSENCES**

- 5 ABSENCES = Letter of Notification to the student's Parent/Guardian(s).
- 10 ABSENCES = Letter of Notification to the student's Parent/Guardian(s) of referral to the Attendance Protocol Committee, as well as a possible referral of the case to the Department of Family and Children Services and local law enforcement (based on state truancy laws).
- 12 ABSENCES = Possible loss of course credit or grade level retention; decided upon by the Attendance Protocol Committee.

Compulsory attendance issues may result in discipline measures being enforced.

## AGGIES CELL PHONE POLICY

FROM BELL TO BELL - THERE IS NO CELL.

Cell phones and other electronic devices are not permitted to be used during school hours or any other electronic devices such as smart watches, tablets, etc. during school hours.

Cell phones and other electronic devices should be turned off upon school arrival and students should store cell phones and other electronic devices in their locker or backpack upon arriving at school. Cell phones and other electronic devices may not be kept in clothing pockets.

- Phones and other electronic devices must be turned off at all times while in the school building. If a phone/watch rings during class, the teacher will confiscate the phone. "Forgotten" in turn of the cell phone/electronic device is not an excuse.
- Use of a cell phone/watch during class will be considered cheating and appropriate disciplinary action will be taken.
- Students are prohibited from using a cell phone or any other electronic device to take photographs or record video at any time on school property. This includes taking photographs or video recordings in restrooms, locker rooms, etc.
- If a student violates the Cell Phone Policy, the teacher or school staff member shall confiscate the cell phone or other electronic device and turn it in to the office.

**First offense:** the phone/watch device is taken away until the end of the day and kept in the front office.

**Second offense:** the phone/watch device must be picked up by a parent or guardian.

**Third offense:** within the student's assigned to school for the day of the phone is taken away for ten school days to be kept at the school's principal's office.

**Additional offenses:** cell phone or other electronic device being used to take a photograph or video recording on school property. Furthermore, students who do not adhere to these guidelines will be subject to other disciplinary actions.

- A student is required to hand over the cell phone/watch device and all its individual parts, including but not limited to the battery and memory cards, to a teacher or school staff member upon request. Failure to do so will result in a suspension.
- The student assumes all risks in bringing such cell phones and other electronic devices onto school property or in school-related functions.

[www.southwestgeorgiastemcharter.com](http://www.southwestgeorgiastemcharter.com)

# 22-23 SCHOOL CALENDAR

## Southwest Georgia STEM Charter

### 2022-2023 School Calendar

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




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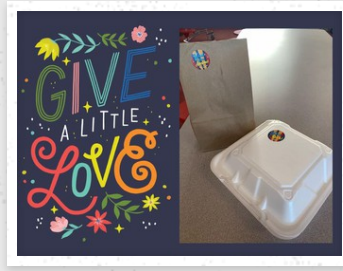
Employee Planning (no school for students)  
First and Last Day of School

Date	Event
Aug 3-9	Pre-Planning for Teachers
Aug 10	First Day of School for students
Sept 5	Labor Day - School Closed
Oct 10	Columbus Day - School Closed
Nov 11	Veterans' Day - School Closed
Nov 21-25	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 19- Jan 4	Christmas Break - No School
Jan 3-4	Employee Planning (no school for students)
Jan 16	Martin Luther King Jr Birthday
Feb 20	Presidents Day
March 31	Employee Planning (no school for students)
April 3-7	Spring Break - School Closed
May 25	Last Day of School for Students
May 26	Post-Planning for Teachers

# SGSC CAFETERIA INFORMATION

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

SEPTEMBER 2022 Southwest Georgia STEM Charter				BREAKFAST
 <b>Southwest Georgia STEM Charter</b> is a charter school serving students in grades K-5 in the Southwest Georgia region. The school is located at 1000 SW Georgia Blvd, Albany, GA 31707. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.sgstemschool.org">www.sgstemschool.org</a> .				
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## SEPTEMBER 2022

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## Southwest Georgia STEM Charter

## LUNCH

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# BREAKFAST

## LUNCH

# Counselor's Corner

## FROM MS. MCBRIDE...

Positive affirmations are powerful statements that can help anyone develop a growth mindset. Even our kids. There are lots of feelings that come with being a kid. Children are changing and growing all the time, and in so many ways. They're processing new emotions they've never felt



before and are navigating situations they have no experience with. Positive affirmations can bolster a child's self-esteem while helping them combat negative thoughts and feelings.

Though we wish it weren't the case, many children face struggles with mental health and battle negative thoughts. Life can be hard, even for the smallest of people. Peer relationships are difficult to navigate and can leave many children feeling inadequate or lonely. Academics don't come easily to all students. Some struggle to keep up with their class work, quickly feeling discouraged and not capable.

Sometimes their problems do seem small to us adults. It's just a scraped knee or a hurtful word from a kid on the playground. But it's often a much bigger deal to them. It's our job to give our children skills to cope with these negative feelings. Social emotional learning is just as important as any other academic topic or life skill they're learning.


Practicing morning affirmations can help you start your day on the right track. It puts you and your child in a good headspace for tackling the rest of the day.

Positive self-talk also becomes easier with practice. Some of your child's favorite affirmations will become second nature, popping into their head when they need them most.



# **morning**

## **AFFIRMATIONS**

- I am important
  - Today is going to be a good day
  - The world needs me
  - Today I choose happiness
  - I believe in myself
  - Today is a fresh start
  - Today I will do my best
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# UPCOMING EVENTS AT SGSC

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**September 19th** - Double-Header varsity softball games against Quitman Co. @ SGSC - 4:00 pm

**September 20th** - Varsity softball game against Early Co. @ Blakely - 5:30 pm

**September 22nd** - School pictures for all students

**September 22nd** - Double-Header varsity softball games against Miller Co. @ SGSC - 4:00 pm

**September 22nd** - Middle school football game against Calhoun Co. @ SGSC - 5:00 pm



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# SGSC SPORTS SECTION

## FROM COACH CROWDIS...

What's up Aggie Nation!

Congrats to Coach Haley and the Aggie Cross Country team for competing in their first meet yesterday! They have been working hard to get ready. All the athletes competed well and look forward to improving their times at the next meet.

The Lady Aggie Softball teams swept the week by winning all of their games! Congrats girls and coaches! This coming week is a big week for Varsity Aggie Softball as they play five games in four days. You have the chance to cheer them on at home on Monday and Thursday as they play doubleheaders both days. On Tuesday they head over to Blakely to play Early County.

The middle school football team lost a heart breaker to Spring Creek Charter 12-8 this past week. The boys played great though and they look forward to the rematch in two weeks. This coming week Calhoun County visits on Thursday for our first ever Aggie football home game!

This will be a huge day for Aggie Athletics!

Lots of chances to support Aggie athletics this week! I hope you will join us at all of our home games!

Let's Go Aggies!



**SGSC Football**  
Head Coach: Ben Crowdis  
Assistant Coach: Shawn Banks  
Volunteer Assistant Coaches: Stephen Scarborough and Nathan Ziglar  
Middle School Football 2022

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 5	PCA	Edison, GA	5:00 PM
Sept. 7	Calhoun County	Edison, GA	5:00 PM
Sept. 15	Spring Creek Charter	Bainbridge, GA	4:30 PM
Sept. 22	Calhoun County	SGSC	5:00 PM
Sept. 29	Spring Creek Charter	SGSC	4:30 PM
Oct. 6	PCA	SGSC	5:00 PM




**SGSC Softball**  
Middle School Softball 2022  
Head Coach: Tonya Germany

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Aug. 11	Early County	Cheneyman	4:30 PM
Aug. 18	Miller County	Colquitt	4:00 PM
Aug. 23	Seminole County	Donalsonville	4:00 PM
Aug. 24	Clay County	Shellman	5:00 PM
Aug. 30	Clay County	Fl. Gaines	4:30 PM
Aug. 31	PCA	Edison	4:00 PM
Sept. 6	Early County	Blakely	4:30 PM
Sept. 15	Calhoun County	Edison	4:00 PM
Sept. 22	Miller County	Shellman	4:00 PM
Sept. 27	Seminole County	Shellman	4:00 PM
Oct. 3	PCA	Shellman	4:00 PM

**Varsity Softball 2022**  
Head Coach: Alex Lowery  
Assistant Coaches: Amy Fern and Bubba Redding

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Aug. 9	Calhoun County	Shellman	5:00 PM
Aug. 11	Quitman County	Georgetown	4:00 PM
Aug. 16	Early County	Shellman	5:00 PM
Aug. 18	Miller County	Colquitt	5:00 PM
Aug. 28	Seminole County	Donalsonville	5:00 PM
Aug. 31	Terrell County	Shellman	5:00 PM
Aug. 31	PCA	Edison	5:00 PM
Sept. 1	Bainbridge Charter	Bainbridge	5:00 PM
Sept. 8	Bainbridge-Clay	Shellman	5:00 PM
Sept. 13	Mitchell	Camilla	5:30 PM
Sept. 15	Calhoun County	Edison	5:00 PM
Sept. 19	Quitman County	Shellman	5:00 PM
Sept. 20	Early County	Blakely	5:30 PM
Sept. 22	Miller County	Shellman	5:45 PM
Sept. 27	Seminole County	Shellman	5:45 PM
Sept. 29	Terrell County	Dawson	TBA



**Southwest Georgia STEM Charter School**  
Cross Country 2022  
Head Coach: Haley Kintzinger


Date	Race	Location	Time
September 10	Lee County Invitational	Leesburg, GA	8:00 AM Check In
September 18	Marion County Invitational	Buena Vista, GA	8:00 AM Check In
October 1	Southland Raider Run	Americas, GA	8:00 AM Check In

# Aggie Adventures

**AGGIES POSITIVE OFFICE REFERRAL**

**Alexis Posey**


Alexis' Cheer Coach wrote:  
"Alexis has been putting her leadership skills to good use during cheer. She works well with all the other girls to make sure that everyone knows what to do and stays on task. She is always willing to lend a helping hand when others struggle and tries her best to stay positive and be kind. When I have spoken to her and offered behavior suggestions for her classes, she has taken my advice and worked hard to correct her actions. Alexis sets a great example of what I expect in an Aggie Cheerleader!"



**AGGIES POSITIVE OFFICE REFERRAL**

**Gwen Williams**

Gwen's teacher wrote:  
"Gwen is thriving in first grade! She works so hard every day. She cares so much about her work and wants to make sure she is learning all she can. I love how much care and attention she puts into everything she does. Gwen is so sweet and a bright spot in everyone's day!"




**AGGIES POSITIVE OFFICE REFERRAL**

**Kaidyn Flowers**

Kaidyn's library teacher wrote:  
"Kaidyn Flowers has been such a helper to me and his friends in the Media Center. He has helped over half of his class get set up and logged in to AR. Thank you so much Kaidyn. I love your kind and helpful attitude."









**POSITIVE  
OFFICE  
REFERRAL**

**Madilynn  
Dring**




Madilynn's teacher wrote:  
"Madilynn demonstrates the qualities of what an Aggie Achiever should be. She is always kind and respectful to everyone she encounters. She is also a hard worker and shows perseverance when faced with a challenge. She makes sure to follow along in class and participates every chance she gets. Great job, Madilynn!"




**POSITIVE  
OFFICE  
REFERRAL**

**Walker  
Bagwell**




Walker's teacher wrote:  
"Walker deserves a positive office referral for coming to school each day with a positive attitude. He is always eager to learn and tries his best! Walker has already read 137,472 words because he comes in each day ready to take an AR test! Keep up the hard work and dedication!"




**POSITIVE  
OFFICE  
REFERRAL**

**Michael  
Waldon**




Michael's library teacher wrote:  
"Michael sure does enjoy his reading time in the Media Center. He uses his time wisely. He has taken up to 3 AR tests and passed all in one day. Thank you "Groovy" for working so hard. You make me so happy!"




**POSITIVE  
OFFICE  
REFERRAL**

**JAMES  
BOLTON**




James' teacher wrote:  
"James deserves a positive office referral because he is consistently reading and testing on 3-4 AR books per week. He is very close to meeting his word count goal for the quarter already. I am so proud of him for being a role model for Accelerated Reader. Keep being an awesome reader, James!"



**POSITIVE  
OFFICE  
REFERRAL**

**Jesse  
James**



Jesse's teacher wrote:  
"Jesse is such a sweet student. He always tries his hardest and is always very respectful to his classmates and teachers. Jesse is a great example of what it means to be an Aggie Achiever! Keep up the great work, Jesse! We are so proud of you!"



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**AGGIE STAFF**

**Michelle Horne**

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**SCHOOL LEADER  
shout  
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**KIM CROWDIS**



**FOOTBALL**

**#1  
JAKADEN  
YOUNG**



**OFFENSIVE  
PLAYER OF THE WEEK**



**FOOTBALL**


**#9  
JAEKENDRICK  
COLEMAN**




**DEFENSIVE  
PLAYER OF THE WEEK**















**Class of 2024**



**Class Ring  
Ceremony**







## FROM MRS. KIM CROWDIS...

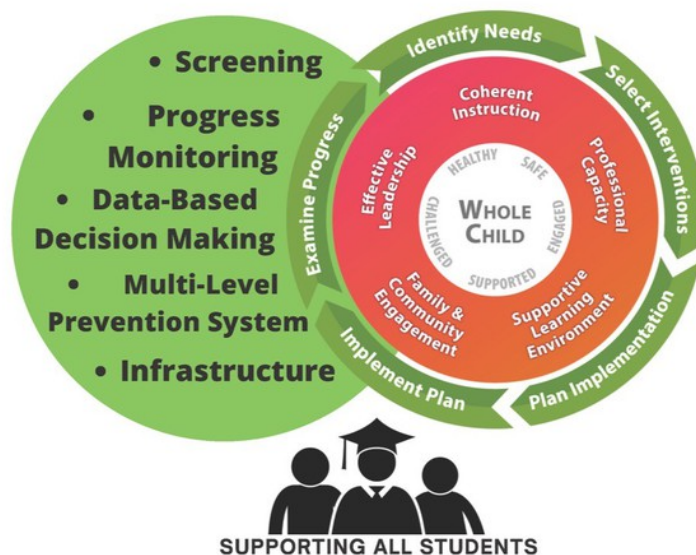
Hey Parents!

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



# From the MTSS Coordinator



## FROM MRS. LESLIE PRESLEY...

Parents - I have included some great educational apps for your children to use outside of school to further their education. Having fun while learning can make great family activities!

# Educational Apps for Families



## Bill Nye the Science Guy

An interactive, multifaceted science app that will get kids excited about science. Available for iPhone, iPad Touch, and iPod.

## Blue Planet Tales

Offers an educational approach to the past with read along stories that include brightly colored and attractive characters children love. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

## BrainPOP Featured Movie

Each day, there is a new animated documentary spanning everything from planet Mars to Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android, and Apps for Windows.

## Duolingo

PC Magazine awarded this app the Editors' Choice for Language Learning. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

## Google Earth

Allows kids to explore the globe with a touch of a finger. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## iTunes U

This app offers access to free educational content from top schools and prominent libraries around the world. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## Kapitali

Teaches students about the stock market by allowing them to practice trading with a \$100k virtual portfolio. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## Marble Math Lite: Multiplication

This app combines the fun of a maze game with the challenge of practicing multiplication skills. Available for iPad.

## Monster Physics Lite

Coleful graphics and fun missions make this app engaging, as kids explore principles of physics. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## NASA App

Official NASA app, jam-packed with information on the U.S. space program and astronomy. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

## News-O-Matic

This kid-friendly current events app boils down the daily news into simple articles that are appropriate for kids. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## Parent Toolkit

This app helps parents to navigate their child's growth and development from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade in the classroom and beyond. Test TOOLKIT to 33733 to get the app on your mobile device!

## Read Me Stories

With this app, a new eBook for kids is added every day. Each word is highlighted as the voice tells the story so that kids can learn to read along. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

## SAT Word Slam Free

This app helps build SAT vocabulary by providing helpful mnemonic hints in the form of rhymes, audio, and signature "Remember This" clues. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## Sushi Monster

An entertaining and stimulating math app from Scholastic that provides clever and challenging addition and multiplication practice. Available for iPad.

## SwipeSpear

This app puts Shakespeare plays into plain and simple English. It also has engaging features such as a searchable Shakespeare Dictionary, a biography, study guides and lesson plans. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android, and Apps for Windows.

## VideoScience

A growing library of over 80 hands-on Science lessons that demonstrate easy to recreate experiments designed to inspire and excite kids of all ages. Available for iPad.

## Weird but True

This app, by the National Geographic Society, teaches kids about all their favorite subjects – animals, weather, space, history, and more. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

## WWF Together

The app offers information on tons of species, including elephants, whales, and kids can learn how far they live from their favorite animals, play with on-screen origami animals, or try out "tiger vision." Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

Elementary Level Middle School Level High School Level

Parent Engagement Program

GABOE  
Georgia Department of Education  
Mecklenburg County, Georgia's State Superintendent

The listed resources are not endorsed by the Georgia Department of Education but offered as possible tools for Title I schools and

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