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SOUTH LEWIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



NEWSLETTER



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To School
Information”
and
“Transportation”



Dear Parents, Residents and Community Members:

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year! **Our staff has been working extremely hard in preparation for the first day of school for students on Wednesday, September 5th.** Teachers and staff will be in session on September 4th for orientation, faculty meetings, workshops and last minute preparations.

The Transportation Department is ready to transport students. They have sent out route notification postcards with pick-up times. These postcard times often need to be adjusted slightly once the year starts. If you have not received notification, please contact Transportation Supervisor Mike Hanno at 348-2590.

The Cafeteria Department is ready to feed our students. Breakfast will cost \$1.25 and lunch will cost \$2.75 for full pay students. However, all students in grades UPK to 4th at both Port Leyden and Glenfield Elementary will again eat breakfast and lunch free regardless of family income through a program called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). This program is not available to our MS/HS students in grades 5-12. If you have any questions regarding our nutrition program, please contact Cafeteria Manager Lisa Strait at 348-2543.

Our Buildings and Grounds Department is in the process of preparing our classrooms and facilities for the start of the school year.

Administrative staff in the district and building offices have also been working diligently to prepare for another school year. Supplies and materials have been stocked, schedules have been finalized, rooms have been readied, and new staff has been hired. Should you have any questions, please contact the appropriate office at:

Glenfield:	348-2620	Port Leyden:	348-2660
Middle School:	348-2570	High School:	348-2520
District Office:	348-2500		

Please take time to review the September newsletter. As a district we are required to send out annual notices of which many are included. These notices are: Permission to Survey Students, Disclosure to Military Students, Student Privacy, Attendance, Code of Conduct, Pesticide Notification, Disclosure of Student Information, Asbestos Notification, Staff Qualifications, Limited English Proficient Students, Homeless Notification, Parents Rights and Body Mass Index. Also included is information on Equal Opportunities in Educational Programs, our Title I Parental Involvement Policy and our Student Accident Insurance.

A reminder that our elementary students should be at school and entering classrooms no later than 8:20 AM each day with school ending at 3:00 PM. Our middle-high school students start their school day at 7:38 AM and end the day at 2:38 PM.

The 2018-19 school year is shaping up to be another great year. We again will have a School Resource Officer, School-Based Health Center, School-Based Dental Program, and provide nearly all school supplies for our students. Additionally, we continue to make technology improvements and are entering Year 2 of our 1:1 Technology device initiative with iPads or Chromebooks for all of our students. Additionally, in the Fall we will be launching a new website and Smartphone App in order to better communicate with our stakeholders and community.

Lastly, I am excited to announce that the Board of Education has adopted a date of Tuesday, October 23rd for a re-vote on the Capital Project that would consolidate the District into a single UPK-12 campus. We heard the voters last year and have made impactful changes to the plan based on their feedback. Over the next two months you will have many opportunities to learn about the revised project. Also, we will have a Public Hearing on the revised project on Monday, October 15th @ 6:30pm at the MS/HS Auditorium.

I trust that everyone has had a wonderful summer and is looking forward to the school year as much as I am!

Sincerely,



Douglas Premo
Superintendent of Schools

SOUTH LEWIS CENTRAL SCHOOL IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

24 Hour Schools Weather Information Line (348-COLD)	315-348-2653
Glenfield Elementary School, Glenfield	
Glenfield Elementary Principal's Office	315-348-2620
Nurse and Attendance Office	315-348-2625
Emergency Line	315-376-3400
Port Leyden Elementary School, Port Leyden	
Port Leyden Elementary Principal's Office	315-348-2660
Nurse and Attendance Office	315-348-2665
Emergency Line	315-348-5117
South Lewis High School	
High School Principal's Office	315-348-2520
High School Guidance Office	315-348-2530
Nurse	315-348-2525
Attendance	315-348-2526
Athletic Director	315-348-2562
School Sports 24 Hour Information Line	315-348-2580
Emergency Line	315-348-8997
South Lewis Middle School	
Middle School Principal's Office	315-348-2570
Middle School Guidance Office	315-348-2575
Nurse	315-348-2525
Attendance	315-348-2526
Athletic Director	315-348-2562
School Sports 24 Hour Information Line	315-348-2580
Emergency Line	315-348-8997
Bus Garage & Transportation Office	315-348-2590
	315-348-2592
District Office & Superintendent of Schools	315-348-2500
Emergency Line	315-348-5567
Special Education Office	315-348-2535
School-Based Health Center	315-348-2585



“SAVE THE DATE”

2018 LEWIS COUNTY NIGHT OUT

Friday, September 7, 2018

Lewis County Fairgrounds 5:30pm to 7:30pm

“Lewis County Night Out” is sponsored by the Lewis County Youth Bureau, Lowville Police Department, Lewis County Opportunities, Inc, and Northern Regional Center for Independent Living. The event is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; recovery, and generate support for, and participation in local anticrime efforts. During this year’s opening ceremony, Kendra Virkler will sing the National Anthem and we will be recognizing our Volunteer Fire Departments. There will be demonstrations by local Law Enforcement Agencies K9 units, the NYS Police Rollover Simulator, and a Medical Helicopter-onsite (weather permitting). Additionally, there will be a Smoke House interactive display; Stop DWI Exhibit; Lowville Village Police Department-processing Safe Child ID cards; over 35 prevention awareness agency informational tables including the Community Crisis Response Team, and North Country Addictions Resource Center. There will be youth activities including: Face Painting and Balloon Sculptures; Reality Check; Fatal Vision Goggle experience for teens; and more. There will be drawings for gift cards/door prizes throughout the evening; McGruff the Crime Prevention Dog will be on-site; Moose Radio will be broadcasting from the event; and there will be **FREE FOOD** by Lamont’s.

Please mark your calendar, and join us for “Lewis County Night Out” on Friday, September 7th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Lewis County Fairgrounds.

South Lewis Parent Portal

South Lewis Central School District uses a system called SchoolTool to secure student information. Student contact information, schedule, attendance, and grades are stored in this system and used as a resource every day for teachers and administrators. We believe that parents are an important partner in our efforts to make all children successful. In an effort to strengthen this partnership, we are continuing to make student information available to parents through a secure website.

You may sign up for a parent portal account by going to your child’s school office where you may fill out the correct form. You must have valid identification with you in order to obtain an account. Once your form has been validated by the school secretary, an account will be set up and directions emailed to you.



You will also be able to sign up at any of the building Open Houses this fall. There will be a designated area in each building for you to sign up for this account and even try out the account while we are there to help you. All you need is identification and a valid email address.

2019 Talon

**Yearbook Order Day
will be Friday, October
12th.**

On “Order Day” no money is necessary, Jostens will bill you directly. However, it is important to note that if you do not pay your Jostens bill by January 31, 2019, you will forfeit any personalization and you will have to pay a late fee.

The base price for the book is \$60.00 if ordered and paid for by January 31, 2019. If paid for after that date a \$10 late fee will be added. Personalization and icons are extra.

QUESTIONS????

Contact:
mmhoch@southlewis.org

PERMISSION TO SURVEY STUDENTS (PRPA)

If a survey contains one or more of the following categories, schools and contractors must protect student privacy and give parents the right to inspect the survey.

The eight categories are:

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or parent
2. Mental and psychological problems of the student or the student's family
3. Sex behavior or attitudes
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior
5. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships
6. Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers
7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parent
8. Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

Parents or guardians have the right to inspect, upon request, a survey created by a third party before the survey is administered or distributed by a school to students.

Parents have the right to remove their child from participation in any survey containing one or more of the eight categories of information noted above.

If you do not want your child(ren) surveyed or would like to see the survey before it is given, please complete the following form and return the form to the office of the school that your child(ren) attend.

Please circle appropriate response:

I **do not** want my (son/daughter) to take any survey given in school.

I **want to see** a copy of the survey prior to the survey being given in school.

Name of Student _____

Signature _____

Print Name _____

Relationship to Student _____

Please Note: This form **must be returned** to the school office your child(ren) attend by October 3rd if they are not to take surveys or you want to review the survey prior to it being given.



EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS (NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY)

The South Lewis Central School District, in accordance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Title VI of The Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act, or the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, age, marital or veteran status, or disability. The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to provide an environment free from harassment and intimidation in the educational programs or activities it operates.

We do not permit discrimination by employees, school volunteers, students and non-employees such as contractors and vendors, as well as any third parties participating in, observing or otherwise engaged in activities subject to the supervision of the district. This includes recruitment and employment practices, pay and benefits, counseling services for students, access by students to educational programs, courses and activities. The Board also prohibits harassment based upon an individual's opposition to the discrimination or participation in a related investigation or complaint proceeding under the anti-discrimination statutes.

This policy of non-discrimination and anti-harassment will be enforced on school district premises, in school buildings and at all school sponsored events, programs and activities including those that take place off school premises. Inquiries or complaints should be forwarded to the Superintendent of Schools.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE (FOR NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY)

The compliance officers for Title IX, Section 504 and other grievances related to student activities are C. Brian Oaks, Director of Health, Physical Education, and Athletics and Julie Birmingham, Guidance Counselor. The compliance officer for all employee related activities is C. Brian Oaks. Both can be contacted at the School District Office, PO Box 10, Turin, NY 13473.

The compliance officer, upon request, will provide a copy of the district's grievance procedure to any employee, student or other covered person.

A copy of each of the Acts and Regulations upon which this notice is based will be made available, upon written request to the district compliance officer.

Homeless Students In The South Lewis District

Parents, students, and community members are to be aware that all homeless students have the right and responsibility to attend school. They may attend the school district they live in or their school of origin. Being homeless should not interfere with their right and responsibility to an education.

Homeless children must be provided transportation services, educational services and meals through school meal programs comparable to those offered to other children in the school they would attend.

For more information, please contact Mr. C. Brian Oaks who is the local liaison for homeless children. His address is South Lewis Central School, PO Box 10, Turin, NY 13473. His telephone number is (315) 348-2562.

The State Coordinator for Education of Homeless Children is Sheila Evans-Tranum. Her address is Room 375 EBA, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234. Her telephone number is (718) 722-2796.

AHERA NOTIFICATION

The South Lewis Central School District has had an inspection for the presence of asbestos-containing materials in accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of 1986. Under the Federal guidelines, each building in the district was completely inspected for all asbestos-containing materials. A copy of the Survey Report and the Management Plan is available in each building's office and in the District Office. If you have any questions, please contact Richard Poniktera, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, at 348-2504.

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY STUDENTS

Under No Child Left Behind (NCLB), all students, including students with limited English proficiency, must meet New York's proficient level of academic achievement by 2013-2014. Limited English proficiency students will become proficient in English Language Arts and reach high academic standards, at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in English Language Arts and mathematics.

School - Home Messaging System

South Lewis Central School District has the service to enable school administrators to record, schedule, send, and track personalized voice messages to South Lewis students, parents, and staff in minutes. The purpose of this service is to provide up-to-date and immediate feedback to parents/guardians about school closings, delays, early dismissals, emergency situations and other information.

The service will dial a number three times if no one answers or the answering machine does not pick-up. The call service can leave a message at the primary telephone number or up to six telephone numbers (including emergency contacts) if an emergency situation occurs. We hope this service improves home-school communication to keep parents/guardians informed of what is going on at school.

**Written Complaint and Appeal Procedures
For Title I, Parts A, C, and D
Or Section 100.2(ee) of Commissioner's Regulations
Regarding Academic Intervention Services**

As required by Title IX, General Provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the New York State Education Department (NYSED) has adopted the following procedures for receiving and resolving complaints and for reviewing appeals from decisions of local educational agencies (LEAs). Complaints concerning violations of ESEA Title I, Parts A, C, and D, or of the General Education Provisions Act; or of Section 100.2(ee) Academic Intervention Services of the Regulations of the Commissioner are covered by these procedures.

LEAs must disseminate free of charge, adequate information about the State Complaint and Appeal Procedures to parents of students, and appropriate private school officials or representatives. [General Provisions Regulations, 34 CFR Sections 299.10-299.12]

Procedures for Filing Complaints/Appeals with a LEA:

Who may submit a complaint?

Any public or nonpublic school parent or teacher, other interested person, or agency may file a complaint.

What must a complaint contain?

All complaints must:

- be written;
- be signed by the person or agency representative filing the complaint;
- specify the requirement of law or regulation being violated and the related issue, problem, and/or the concern;
- contain information/evidence supporting the complaint; and
- state the nature of the corrective action desired.

What must an appeal from a LEA's response contain?

An appeal must contain:

- a copy of the original signed complaint ;
- a copy of the LEA's response to the original complaint or a statement that the LEA failed to respond in 30 business days.
- In New York City or rest of State outside of New York City, a copy of the LEA and the Department of Education's response to the original complaint or a statement that the Department of Education failed to respond within 30 business days; and a statement identifying those parts of the LEA's response which the party wishes to appeal.

Where should a complaint/appeal to the LEA be sent?

Complaints/appeals regarding the LEA's administration and implementation of its ESEA Title I Grant or Academic Intervention Services for students identified under Commissioner's Regulations Part 100 should be sent first to the School Superintendent of the LEA against whom the complaint is made. The LEA has a 30 business day period in which to resolve a complaint.

For the rest of the State outside of New York City, Title I complaints should be first sent to the Superintendent of LEA. If the local LEA fails to resolve the complaint within 30 business days, or fails to resolve the issue to the satisfaction

of the complainant, the complaint should be sent to the Title I School and Community Services Office, Room 365 EBA, New York State Education Department, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234.

Procedures for Filing Complaints/Appeals with the New York State Education Department

The State Education Department will review complaints when the complaint pertains to:

- the State's administration of the ESEA Title I Basic Grant, Migrant Education, or Neglected or Delinquent Program;
- an appeal from the decision of an LEA regarding an action by the LEA.

Complaints that do not meet the above criteria, including complaints concerning the LEA's administration of its Title I Program, will be referred for possible resolution to the LEA against whom the complaint is made.

What timelines pertain to the State Education Department's review of complaints/appeals from an LEA action?

Within 60 business days of the receipt of the complaint/appeal, department staff will complete an on-site review (if necessary) and/or records examination and will notify all parties of its findings. An extension of the 60-day complaint resolution period is permitted under CFR Part 229.11 (b), for exceptional circumstances.

Where shall complaints or appeals to the State Education Department be sent?

Complaints/appeals regarding Title I for LEAs outside of New York City local school districts/schools should be sent to:

New York State Education Department
Title I School & Community Services Office
Room 365 EBA
89 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12234



How long does a public or nonpublic teacher, parent, or agency have to file an appeal from a decision of a LEA or the New York City Department of Education?

An appeal must be requested and postmarked within 20 business days of receipt of the LEA's response to the original complaint.

Who shall conduct the review of complaints or appeals?

The Title I representative in the State Education Department office who is assigned as the program manager for the LEA against which the complaint is made and other Department staff as may be appropriate shall conduct the review of complaints or appeals.

What shall the State Education Department's response to the complaint contain?

The Department's response shall contain:

- the names of persons interviewed;
- the records or other evidence examined;
- relevant dates/times/locations/events:

- summary of findings; and
- nature of corrective action to be taken including applicable timelines.

How will State Education Department staff monitor the timely and appropriate implementation of the corrective actions called for in the complaint/appeal resolution?

Failure of the LEA to take corrective action within the time period stipulated in the complaint resolution shall be cause to withhold all, or a portion of, the ESEA Title I allocation to the LEA.

Does the State Education Department maintain a record of all complaints/appeals?

Yes. Copies of correspondence, related documents, investigative reports, and summary reports involved in the complaint/appeal resolution will be maintained by the State Education Department for five years. Records will be made available to interested parties in accordance with the provisions of the New York State Freedom of Information Law (Public Officers Law Sections 84-89).

What shall constitute exceptional circumstances for extending the 60-day limit for State Education Department review of complaints and appeals for relief from an LEA action?

The State Education Department has determined that exceptional circumstances may include, but need not be limited to, such occurrences as:

- illness of involved parties;
- cancellation of scheduled on-site reviews due to unscheduled school closings;
- the need for extended review activities beyond those specified in the written notification;
- and/or any other mutual agreement to changes in review scope or activity.

When exceptional circumstances are identified, the revised date for the completion of the complaint review will be provided in writing to all parties involved in the complaint or appeal. All parties to the complaint have the right to initiate a request for an extension beyond the 60-business day complaint resolution period based on exceptional circumstances. All such requests must be presented to the State Education Department.

Procedures for Adjudicating Appeals from the Decision of the State Education Department

May a person/agency dissatisfied with the State Education Department's complaint resolution file an appeal?

Yes, parties dissatisfied with the State Education Department's complaint resolution may file an appeal directly with the United States Department of Education at:

United States Department of Education
Compensatory Education Programs
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.
Room 3W230, FOB #6
Washington, D.C. 20202-69132



TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

The South Lewis Central School District recognizes the rights of parents/guardians to be fully informed of all information relevant to their children, including children who participate in programs and projects funded by Title I. The Board of Education encourages participation of parents of students eligible for Title I services in all aspects of their child's education. In order to facilitate parental participation, the District will:

1. Involve parents in the joint development of the Title I plan. If the plan is not satisfactory to the parents of children participating in Title I programs, the District will submit any parent comments to the State Education Department at the time the Title I plan is filed;
2. Provide necessary coordination, technical assistance, or other support needed to assist each Title I school in planning and implementing effective parental involvement activities in each building to improve student academic achievement and school performance;
3. Build each Title I school's and parent's capacity for strong parental involvement through implementing and encouraging participation in appropriate parental involvement activities;
4. Coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies, with parental involvement strategies under other programs including, but not limited to, the Head Start Program, Literacy Collaborative Program, Even Start Program, and state run preschool programs;
5. Conduct, in conjunction with parents, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parental involvement policy in improving the academic quality of Title I schools. The evaluation shall include identifying barriers to greater participation by parents in the District and using the findings of the evaluation to improve and to revise the parental involvement policies of the District;
6. Involve parents in school activities of Title I schools;
7. Involve parents of children in Title I programs in decisions regarding how funds designated for parental involvement activities are to be spent;
8. Direct each school building receiving Title I funds within the District to develop jointly with parents, a written parental involvement plan for the building. Each plan and policy will be distributed to parents on an annual basis in an understandable format and in a language parents can understand when possible. Building level plans will be consistent with the District Parental Involvement Policy in all respects;
9. Make all parental involvement policies and plans available to the local community and update them periodically to meet the changing needs of schools and parents. Updates are to be done jointly with parents;
10. Assist parents of children in Title I schools in understanding such topics as the state's academic content, student achievement standards, state and local academic assessments, Title I requirements and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;

11. Provide materials and training to help parents of children in Title I schools work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training and using technology as appropriate to foster parental involvement;
12. Educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff in Title I schools, with the assistance of parents, about the value and use of parent contributions and in how to reach out, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implementing and coordinating parent programs and building ties between parents and school;
13. To the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities in Title I schools with Head Start, Literacy Collaborative, Even Start, public preschool and other programs;
14. Conduct other activities in Title I schools such as parent resource centers that encourage and support parents to more fully participate in the education of their children.

The Board of Education hereby directs each building principal of a Title I school to ensure that a building level parental involvement plan is generated with the participation of that building's parents. In addition to those goals stated above, each such building level plan will describe the details for:

1. Convening an annual meeting at a convenient time to inform parents of their school's participation in Title I programs and explain Title I requirements and rights of parents to be involved. All parents of children participating in Title I programs will be invited to the meeting;
2. Offering a flexible number of meetings including morning or evening. Each building level plan may provide, with funds available under Title 1, for transportation, child care, or home visits as such services relate to parental involvement;
3. Involving parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way in the planning, review and improvement of Title I programs including the planning, review and improvement of the school's parent involvement policy;
4. Providing parents of participating children with timely information about programs, a description and explanation of the curriculum in use in Title I programs, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, the proficiency levels the students are expected to meet, and, if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children or respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicable;
5. Developing a school-parent compact, jointly with parents that outlines how the parents, school staff and students will share responsibility for improved student academic achievement and detailing the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help all children achieve the state's standards.
6. The compact must include:
 - (a) a description of the school's responsibility to provide high-quality learning curriculum and instruction, in a supportive and effective learning environment, that enables children served in Title I schools to meet the State's student academic achievement standards;
 - (b) describe the ways in which each parent will be responsible for supporting their child's learning; such as monitoring attendance, homework completion, television watching, volunteering in their child's classroom and participating in appropriate decisions relating to the education of their child and the positive use of extracurricular time;
 - (c) addressing the importance of communication between teachers and parents on an ongoing basis including, but not limited to, annual parent-teacher conferences which include a discussion of how the compact relates to the individual child's achievement, frequent reports to parents on their child's progress, reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in the child's class, and observation of classroom activities.

PARENTS' RIGHTS REGARDING INFORMATION ABOUT QUALIFICATIONS OF THEIR CHILDREN'S TEACHERS

Parents and guardians have the right to request the following specific information about the professional qualifications of their children's classroom teachers:

- If the teacher has met New York State qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas he or she teaches
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived
- The teacher's college major; whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees
- The qualifications of any instructional aide(s) or similar paraprofessionals if they provided services to your child

Requests for information about the qualifications of your child's teacher(s) can be directed to their school principal. All requests will be honored in a timely manner.

Disclosure To Military Recruiters

We are required to provide, upon request, the names and addresses of all Juniors and Seniors to Military Recruiters. If you or your son/daughter do not want us to release this information, please complete the form on the right and return it to the High School Office, PO Box 40, Turin, NY 13473.



Name of Student: _____

I **do not** want my (son's / daughter's) name released to a military recruiter.

Signature _____

Print Name _____

Relationship to Student _____

Please note: This form **must be returned** to the High School Office **by October 1** in order for your child's name **not** to be placed on the list provided to military recruiters.

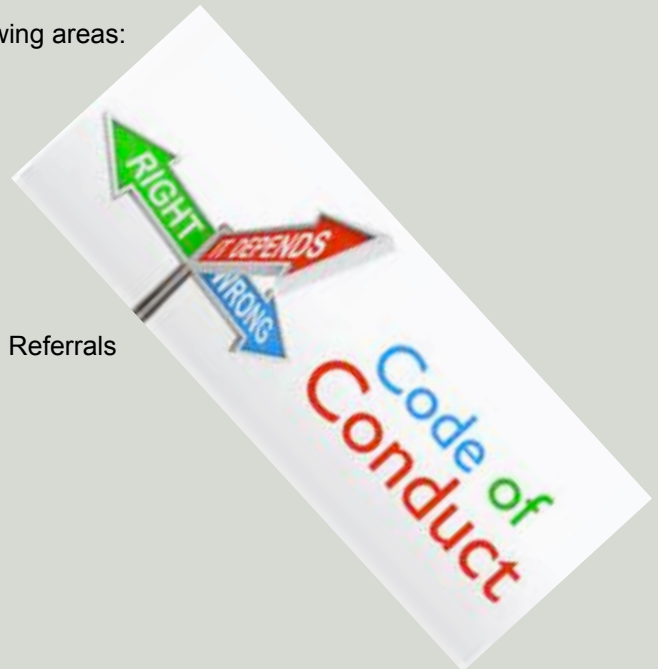
CODE OF CONDUCT SUMMARY

The New York State Legislature requires every school in New York State to have a code of conduct in place to assure security and safety in schools.

The South Lewis Code of Conduct establishes regulations regarding maintenance and order on school property, including school functions. The code governs the conduct of students, teachers, other school personnel and visitors. Provisions in the South Lewis Central School Code of Conduct address: 1) conduct, dress and language deemed appropriate and acceptable or inappropriate and unacceptable; 2) acceptable and respectful treatment of teachers, administrators, school personnel, students and visitors; 3) appropriate range of disciplinary measures for violation of the code; and 4) the role of teachers, administrators, other school personnel, the Board of Education and parents.

The South Lewis Central School Code of Conduct addresses the following areas:

- Introduction
- Definitions
- Student Rights and Responsibilities
- Essential Partners
- Dignity for all Students Act (Dignity Act)
- Student Dress Code• Prohibited Student Conduct
- Reporting Violations• Disciplinary Penalties, Procedures and Referrals
- Alternative Instruction
- Discipline of Students with Disabilities
- Corporal Punishment
- Student Searches and Interrogations
- Visitors to the Schools
- Public Conduct on School Property
- Dissemination and Review



The entire South Lewis Central School District Code of Conduct is available upon request in the South Lewis Central School District Office, P.O. Box 10, Turin, NY 13473.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

South Lewis Central School is providing the opportunity for you to purchase student accident insurance through the Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. The basic philosophy of the plan is to assist parents with expenses. The parent's or guardian's insurance is the primary insurance. The plan is an accident insurance policy which does not cover sickness. Please note: **the school district does not provide insurance coverage for students.** Parents may choose to purchase insurance for their children in case of an accident at school or during interscholastic sports.

COVERAGE A:

This covers all school sponsored activities and interscholastic sports including football. The initial cost is \$75.34 per student

COVERAGE B:

This option covers all school-sponsored activities and interscholastic sports **except** football. The initial cost is \$68.89 per student.

COVERAGE I:

This covers all school sponsored activities **excluding interscholastic sports and intramural tackle football.** The initial cost is \$6.52 per student.

Further information will be sent home with your child on the first day of sports practice or the first day of school. All children will be required to return a sign-off sheet to the school indicating your decision regarding coverage.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY

It is the belief of the South Lewis Central School District that opportunities for students to achieve their fullest potential are maximized by regular school attendance that allows a student to take advantage of full interaction with his or her teachers and peers. The South Lewis Central School District also believes that class attendance is a major component of academic success, and that improved student achievement will reduce the dropout rate. Therefore, it is the goal of the South Lewis Central School District to provide for the early identification of attendance problems and to establish effective methods to address such problems. Successful implementation of this policy will require cooperation among all members of the school community, including parents, students, teachers, administrators and support staff.

Commencing July 1, 2003, each student's presence or absence shall be recorded (in writing or electronically) in a register of attendance during each period of scheduled instruction. In non-departmentalized K-5 grades, school districts must record each student's presence, absence, tardiness and early departure once per school day. Scheduled instruction shall include actual instruction or supervised study activities. Any absence from the school day or portion of the day shall be recorded in the register as excused or unexcused. In addition, any student's late arrival or early departure from scheduled instruction will be recorded as excused or unexcused.

The register of attendance should include the following for each student:

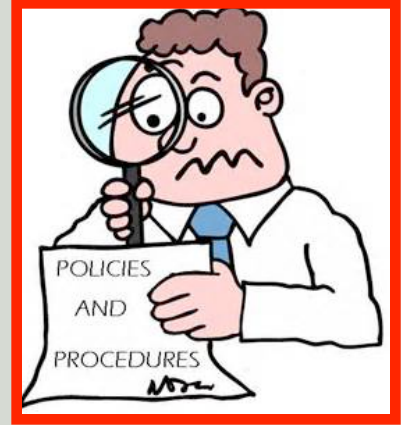
1. Name
2. Date of birth
3. Full names of parent(s) or person(s) in parental relationship (guardian)
4. Address of student's residence
5. Phone number(s) where parent(s) or guardian(s) may be contacted
6. Date of student's enrollment
7. Record of the student's attendance on each day of scheduled instruction
8. Record of each scheduled day of instruction during which the school is closed, for all or part of the day, because of extraordinary circumstances (weather, facilities problem, etc.), and
9. Record of the date when a student withdraws from enrollment or is dropped from enrollment in accordance with Ed. Law §3202(1-a).



A teacher or any other South Lewis Central School District designated employee shall be responsible for all entries in the register of attendance. If a South Lewis Central School District designated employee makes the entries in the registry, a teacher or other district employee shall supervise maintenance of the register of attendance. Each register entry must be verified by the oath or affirmation of the person making the entries.

The following list of reasons are considered excused absences. (Next to the reason is the letter code that shall be recorded in the reason section of the attendance register):

1. illness (I)
2. death in the family (DF)
3. doctor appointments (DA)
4. quarantine (Q)
5. required court appearances (RCA)
6. approved college visits (ACV)
7. approved cooperative work programs (ACWP)
8. religious observance (RO)
9. attendance at health clinic (AHC)
10. military obligation (MO)
11. disciplinary detention of an incarcerated youth (DDIY)
12. religious education/instruction (REI)
13. school suspension (with alternative instruction requirements met) (SS)
14. driver's test (DT) and
15. school approved events (SAE).



Any other reason shall be considered unexcused absences. The following nonexclusive list includes possible examples of unexcused absences:

1. student skip day
2. family vacations
3. traveling
4. shopping/hair appointments
5. baby sitting
6. missing the bus
7. working
8. hunting/fishing
9. private lessons/activities
10. cold weather
11. needed at home



The register of attendance shall be reviewed by the principal in charge of each school building and by a South Lewis Central School District designee. The designee shall be responsible for addressing students' unexcused absences, tardiness and early departures from scheduled instruction.

Students who have an unexcused absence, late arrival or early departure from scheduled instruction will be subject to a series of incremental interventions which may include, but not be limited to, counseling, loss of privileges, warning or suspension.

Periodic "hall sweeps" will be conducted to identify students who are absent from scheduled instruction without an excuse. Where consistent with other school practices, teachers and staff shall detain students in the hallways who are absent from a class period without excuse and take the student to the Building Principal's Office or report the student to an appropriate administrator.

The attendance record shall be consulted for the purpose of grading and denial of course credit as defined in this policy. South Lewis Central School District believes there is an important relationship between class attendance and

student performance. Consequently, students must maintain attendance of 90% in order to receive course credit. (Attendance means being in class on time and ready to learn). For semester courses, the designee will notify parents or guardians at three unexcused absences, tardiness or unexcused early departures and remind them of the attendance policy. At six unexcused absences, tardiness or unexcused early departures, a parent/guardian conference will be held to develop intervention strategies. For year-long courses, the designee will notify parents or guardians at six unexcused absences, tardiness or unexcused early departures and remind them of the attendance policy. At 12 unexcused absences, tardiness or unexcused early departures, a parent/guardian conference will be held to develop intervention strategies. Students may not exceed nine unexcused absences for semester courses and may not exceed 18 unexcused absences for year-long courses. Nine or more unexcused absences per semester or 18 or more unexcused absences will result in denial of course credit.

Students (of compulsory school age) with excused absences will be given the opportunity to make up work in order to gain course credit. If the absence is excused, the student is to arrange with his or her teacher for an assignment to make up the missed work. Make up opportunities must be completed by a date specified by the teacher. Upon the completion of the assigned make-up work, the student shall be deemed to have attended the class(es) missed. Perfect attendance for students is explained in South Lewis Board of Education Policy 7110.

If and when a student is in jeopardy of being denied course credit or promotion due to their poor attendance record, the building administrator shall notify the parents/guardian. Before a student is denied credit/promotion for reaching the maximum unexcused absences, the student and parent/guardian have the right to appeal. The parent/guardian must ask for an appeal in writing to the Superintendent of Schools within 10 business days of notification.

Students with perfect attendance shall be recognized at a school-wide assembly program.

South Lewis Central School District shall annually review this attendance policy and make any revisions necessary in order to improve student attendance. This review shall include an examination of current intervention strategies, as well as the development of new and effective intervention strategies to improve school attendance, thereby improving students' performance.

South Lewis Central School District will provide each teacher, student and his/her parent or guardian with a copy of the attendance policy at the beginning of each school year and shall make copies available to any other member of the community upon request in the school office.

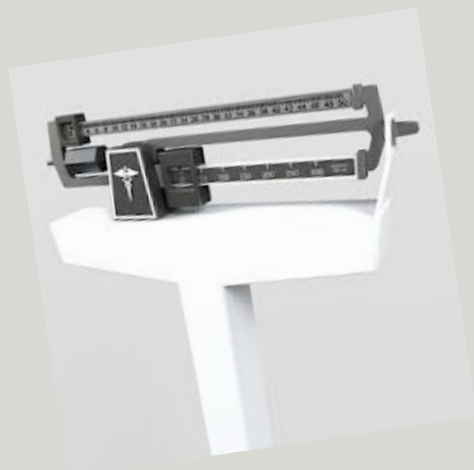
NEW YORK STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT SURVEY ON BODY MASS INDEX

As part of a required school health examination, a student is weighed and his/her height is measured. These numbers are used to figure out the student's body mass index or 'BMI'. The BMI helps the doctor or nurse know if the student's weight is in a healthy range or is too high or too low. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status group be included as part of the student's school health examination. Our school has been selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health. We will be reporting to New York State Department of Health information about our students' weight status groups. Only summary information is sent. No names and no information about individual students are sent. However, you may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report.

The information sent to the New York State Department of Health will help health officials develop programs that make it easier for children to be healthier.

If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department's survey this year, please print and sign your name below and return this form to:

Mr. C. Brian Oaks
Director of Physical Education, Health, and Athletics
South Lewis High School
PO Box 40
Turin, NY 13473



Please do not include my child's weight status information in the 2018 - 2019 school survey.

Print Child's Name

Print Parent's Name

Parent's Signature

Date



Senior Pictures - High School Picture Days - 2019 Yearbook



Attention Class of 2019!

September 12th is Senior Picture Deadline. Due at this time are: Senior Portraits, Baby Pictures with Parent Message, Senior Directories, Senior Memory or Quote. Please note if you include a parent message with your baby picture, **there is a fee of \$10 for 200 characters or less and \$20 for more than 200 characters.** Make checks payable to South Lewis Yearbook. Questions? Contact Megan Hoch: mmhoch@southlewis.org

High School Picture Days will be Thursday, October 11th and Friday, October 12th. Both individual and organization/group photos will be taken at a later date.



Transportation News

By Mike Hanno

School will be opening soon. Please be aware of the yellow bus with the amber or red flashing lights, not only in our district, but wherever you may drive. Students who have permission to drive to school should be reminded to DRIVE SAFELY. Parents should make sure students get up on time so they will not be in a hurry to get to school.

Postcards with bus assignments will be delivered to all homes prior to school opening. Students should be ready early until exact pick-up times are determined. It will take a week or so to adapt to loading times and road conditions for correct times to be established.

The bus will stop at your house daily. Have your children ready at least five minutes before scheduled pick-up time. If they will not be riding on any day, we would appreciate a call so we can inform the driver. Please call your respective school if there will be an alternate pick-up or drop-off for your children. Your children will need a bus pass to be dropped off at a place other than home. Bus notes are to be turned in to the school office, not given to the driver. In an emergency situation, we can be reached at the bus garage weekdays from 5:30 AM - 5:00 PM at 348-2590 or 348-2592.

Bus safety drills will be performed within the first seven days of school. We will also be teaching bus safety to all elementary students with the use of our Safety Bus. We stress the importance of safe riding, including conduct on the school bus, bus rules, loading and unloading safely, and evacuating the bus in case of an emergency.

Please supply your child with a backpack to get their homework and any other possessions to and from school. Using a backpack greatly reduces the chance of papers being blown under the bus and a child trying to retrieve them. We would like to stress that backpacks should not have things like key chains or drawstrings dangling from them that could get caught.

Don't forget that school bus transportation is the safest, most environmentally friendly, as well as the most economical means of transporting students. Driver training, student training and community support of safe driving habits will help us stay that way.

The South Lewis Transportation Department thanks you for your support.

PARENTAL RIGHTS REGARDING THE REFERRAL AND EVALUATION OF CHILDREN FOR THE PURPOSES OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES OR PROGRAMS

Upon a child's enrollment or attendance at a public school in New York State, the child's parent, guardian, or person in parental relation to that child has the right to refer the child to the school district's Committee on Special Education to have the child evaluated and a determination made whether the student is a student with a disability and, therefore, eligible for special education and/or related services.

For additional information regarding this process, please visit the State Education Department's website and review "A Parent's Guide to Special Education," at:

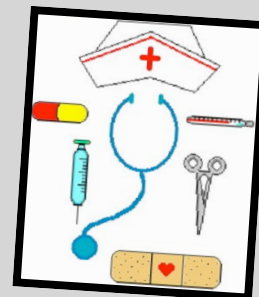
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/policy/parentsguide.pdf>

You may also contact the District's Committee on Special Education ("CSE") Chairperson, Catherine Littlefield at 315-348-2535.

Disclosure of Student Information

In certain circumstances, the law permits us, and it is our policy, to disclose personally identifiable information about a student without obtaining specific consent from the student or the student's family. Among these circumstances are:

- * Disclosure to officials of another school, school district, or BOCES in which the student seeks or intends to enroll, or is already enrolled, when the other school requests the information to facilitate the enrollment or transfer;
- * Disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. We consider the following to be school officials for purposes of this Notice: a person employed by the school or school district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the school board; a volunteer, contractor, or consultant who, while not employed by the school, performs an institutional service or function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of personally identifiable information from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, therapist; or employees of a BOCES or other school district who are providing educational services to students or providing technology support or other shared services to students or providing technology support or other shared services to the District. A school official typically has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.



WELCOME BACK!!!! The South Lewis School Nurses are excited to welcome back all of the students and parents for the 2018-2019 school year! We wish that everyone has a healthy and successful year ahead. The Middle School/High School is staffed by Mrs. Kelly Mear, RN. Mrs. Heather LeVan, RN is the Glenfield Elementary nurse. Mrs. DeyLynne Farr, RN is the nurse at Port Leyden Elementary.

The NYS fluoride mouth rinse program has been discontinued at this time but students can be enrolled in the South Lewis School Based Dental Program to receive dental cleanings and fluoride treatment at school. Also, remember to sign up your child for the School Based Health Center where they can receive Urgent Care Visits, NYS mandated physicals, and immunizations. The School Based Health Center phone number is 315-348-2585.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

The **NYS IMMUNIZATION LAW** REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING IMMUNIZATIONS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 6TH, 7TH AND 12TH GRADE

6th Grade : T-dap (Booster) T-tetanus, D-diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (whooping cough)

7th Grade : MENINGOCOCCAL conjugate

12th Grade : MENINGOCOCCAL conjugate

2 Varicella shots (commonly known as the "chicken pox"). If you have a question about your student's shot record, please call your School Nurse for information.

All students entering school in September **MUST** show proof of these immunizations. Immunizations may be mailed, dropped off at schools or faxed.

Fax Numbers:

HS/MS: 348-2510

Port Leyden: 348-2661

Glenfield: 348-2621

In order to complete these requirements, please contact your primary care provider or Lewis County Public Health @ 315-376-5453.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us. Working together is the key to success!

Medications in School

The following procedure must be followed regarding medication given at school.

1. All medications (including over-the-counter and prescription) should be in the original container labeled with child's name, dosage, and doctor's name. A state mandate requires that we must have written doctor's permission to administer any medication in school, and we also need a permission note from the parent/guardian.
2. The parent/guardian must assume responsibility to have the medication delivered directly to the health office in a properly labeled original container. Please bring enough medication to last 20 school days or the equivalent of one month. Please keep enough at home to eliminate bringing it back and forth to school every day.
3. When medication is brought into school by the parent/guardian, it will be counted by the nurse and parent/guardian. The nurse and parent/guardian will sign the child's medical record verifying the number of pills brought in.

Please tell your child to never take the medicine by him/herself. The nurse and/or another designated person will be available to dispense the medicine to your child.

Lice

Each year approximately 6-12 million children between the ages of 3 and 12 years of age are infested with head lice. Remember that South Lewis Central School District has a "NO NIT" policy. This means that there should be no nits present for your child to return to school. A **parent or guardian** will need to bring the child to the nurse's office to be checked **before** starting the school day. If nits or live lice are found even after treatment, the child will need to be sent home. The key to nit and lice removal is hair combing with a fine tooth comb or special lice removal comb as well as a head lice treatment. Washing and cleaning personal items daily is the best way to keep lice at bay. This treatment should be repeated seven days after the first treatment, since the incubation period of the lice life cycle is seven days. If you have any questions, please feel free to call your school nurse's office.



PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

New York State Education Law Section 409-H, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and non-public elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all parents, guardians, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year and during summer school.

The South Lewis Central School District is required to maintain a list of parents, guardians, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list.

If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the form below and return it to Mr. Richard Poniktera at South Lewis Central School, PO Box 10, Turin, NY 13473 or by fax to (315) 348-2510.

South Lewis Central School
District
Request for Pesticide Application
Notification
September 2018

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

South Lewis Central Schools

District Newsletter Request Form

If you would like a hard copy of each issue of the South Lewis Central School District newsletter mailed to you, please complete this form and return it to the address below. You can also call the District Office at 315-348-2500 and provide the needed information.

South Lewis Central Schools
ATTN: Douglas Premo
4264 East Road
PO BOX 10
Turin, NY 13473

DATE: _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Thank You!

Lewis County Department of Social Services is Looking for Families to Foster Children

Although Lewis County has seen a drop in foster care placements, the need for foster/adoptive homes is still there. Many of our homes are currently full and therefore are unable to take on more children. Currently, Lewis County has eleven open foster/adoptive homes of which three are able to accept placements. The remaining eight homes are either full, used for temporary respite, or are relative foster care placements. At this time, Lewis County is looking for families who are able to take larger sibling groups and older children as it is our desire to keep siblings together. We also are striving to obtain foster/adoptive homes in each of the five school districts within the county, but also including Adirondack Central School and Carthage Central School which are just outside the county line. In the event that a child has to come into care, it is our goal to keep them in their home town, within their school district, and close to their family/friends. So...please remember, **“To the world you may be just one person, but to one person, you may be the world.”** Help make a difference today and become a Lewis County Foster Parent. And for those of you who may have relatives or friends close to you that are struggling and at risk of losing their children, ask about our relative foster care or kinship care options. For more information contact Mekesha Davis at 376-5724.

South Lewis Middle School - Students of the Month

Faculty members selected five students for the April 2018 "Student of the Month" program. This program is sponsored by the National Junior Honor Society and recognizes students who demonstrate a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and good citizenship in our school and community. Jaden Morczek, son of Benjamin and Amanda Morczek of Constableville, was the fifth grade recipient of this award. Aleigha Hill, daughter of Christopher and Bethany Hill of Turin, was the sixth grade recipient. Jackson LaParr, son of Brian LaParr of Brantingham and Brandie Arndt of Lowville, was the seventh grade recipient. Owen Highers, son of Nicholas Highers of Port Leyden and Shannon Sullivan of Constableville, was the eighth grade recipient. The Related Arts "Student of the Month" for April was Shaun McManus, a fifth grade student and son of Fred McManus and Candi Sharpstene of Lyons Falls. Congratulations to each student and their family.



The students from left to right are: Owen Highers, Jackson LaParr, Jaden Morczek, Shaun McManus, and Aleigha Hill.

Faculty members selected five students for the May 2018 "Student of the Month" program. This program is sponsored by the National Junior Honor Society and recognizes students who demonstrate a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and good citizenship in our school and community. Anthony Preston, son of Corinna and Matthew Preston of Lyons Falls, was the fifth grade recipient of this award. Quenten Brown, son of Krista and Gary Brown of Lyons Falls was the sixth grade recipient. Brooke Kraeger, daughter of Ashley Kraeger and Bruce Kraeger both of Port Leyden, was the seventh grade recipient. Shaylagh Randall, daughter of Rebecca and Thomas Randall of Constableville, was the eighth grade recipient. The Related Arts "Student of the Month" for May was Leah Greene, a seventh grade student and daughter of Brandi Lewis of Constableville and Jason Greene of Glenfield. Congratulations to each student and their family.



The students from left to right are: Anthony Preston, Quenten Brown, Brooke Kraeger, Leah Greene and Shaylagh Randall.

Faculty members selected five students for the June 2018 "Student of the Month" program. This program is sponsored by the National Junior Honor Society and recognizes students who demonstrate a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and good citizenship in our school and community. Haley Poore, daughter of Tammy Poore of Brantingham and Adam Poore of Lyons Falls, was the fifth grade recipient of this award. Camryn Battles, daughter of Stacy Battles of Boonville and Ryan Battles of Port Leyden, was the sixth grade recipient. Clayton Kraeger, son of Ronald and Angeline Kraeger of Lyons Falls, was the seventh grade recipient. Keaton Nagy, son of Douglas and Kelly Nagy of Lyons Falls, was the eighth grade recipient. The Related Arts "Student of the Month" for June was Daniel Ortlieb, an eighth grade student and son of Daryl and Amy Ortlieb of Boonville. Congratulations to each student and their family.



The students from left to right are: Clayton Kraeger, Daniel Ortlieb, Keaton Nagy, Camryn Battles, and Haley Poore.

OPEN HOUSE 2018



The annual South Lewis Middle/High School Open House and AIS Title 1 Information Night will be held on Thursday evening, September 20, 2018 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

South Lewis Middle School Holds National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony

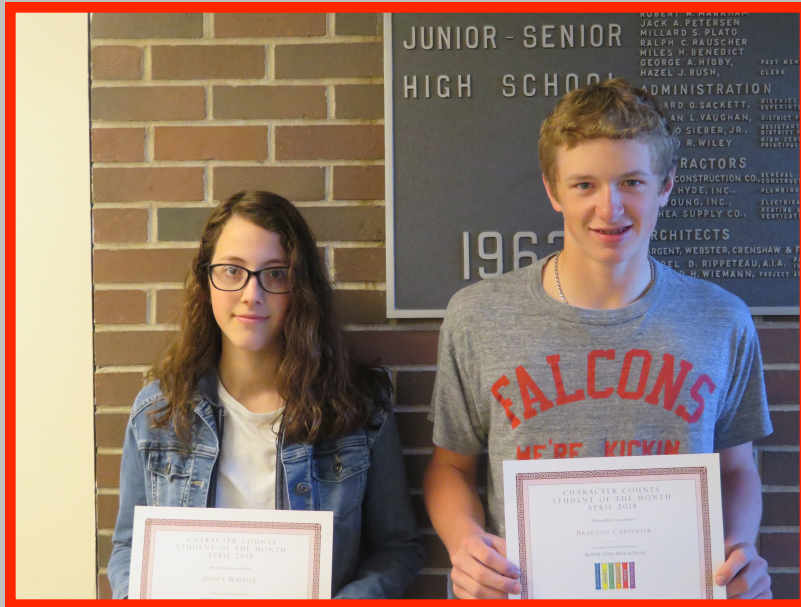
The Morgan Lewis Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society held its annual induction ceremony at South Lewis Middle School on May 24, 2018 at 1:30 pm. The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) recognizes outstanding middle school students. Students must apply for membership and must meet strict criteria. Students meeting this criterion demonstrate excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, character and citizenship. These characteristics have been associated with membership in this organization since its inception in 1929.

The current members of The Morgan Lewis Chapter of NJHS at South Lewis Middle School developed and carried out the induction ceremony. The program was led by Shaylagh Randall, President, along with help from the other current members of the Society. Congratulations to all of the new inductees and their parents for being selected to join the South Lewis Middle School National Junior Honor Society.

Bottom row: 2018 Inductees: Kaylee Bice (Grade 7), Gabriella Earl (Grade 8), Carin Young (Grade 7), Andrew Higby (Grade 7), Carson Dosztan (Grade 7), Brooke Kraeger (Grade 7).

Back Row: 2018 Inductees: Bruce Weiler (Grade 7) Aidan McGuire (Grade 7), Olivia Millard (Grade 7), Skye Everson (Grade 7), Claudia Case (Grade 8), Sarah Schindler (Grade 7).





Students of the Month were selected for May, 2018 for South Lewis High School. Jessica Widrick and Branton Carpenter were chosen for exceptional grade point averages and modeling good character to wrap up the Character Counts Pillars for the 2018 school year. Jessica was a 10th grader and is the daughter of Luke and Michele Widrick, Chases Lake Rd, Glenfield, N.Y. Branton was also a 10th grader and is the son of Brad and Jennifer Carpenter, Wynn Rd, Constableville, N.Y.

The South Lewis Central School District will be launching a new website and it's own mobile app this winter, in order to better communicate with the school related personnel and community.



The district's website had become out-dated as technology and website viewing habits drastically changed in recent years and with many viewers using personal devices in place of computers. Now, with a clean, responsive design and an app that can push out notifications to those who have downloaded it, the District hopes parents, grandparents, staff, students, community members and newcomers will be able to find the information they are looking for when they visit as well as get real time information pushed right to their devices. Information on downloading the app and the migration to the new site will be shared via the district's web page as well as School Messenger as the new site is finalized.



South Lewis Falcon Pride Booster Club

The 2018 Spring South Lewis Falcon Pride Booster Club Golf Tournament was another fundraising success thanks to the many generous sponsors, golfers, volunteers, and coaches. Turin Highlands once again played host for the tournament and, in addition to beautiful weather and gorgeous greens, provided a delicious dinner that exceeded par! Sixteen teams joined the tournament ranks to shoot it out in several divisions of competitive play. (Many thanks to Coaches Brian Greene and Mike Niles for being the resident pros regarding this organizational challenge.) Athlete volunteers assisted in several fundraising efforts (50/50 raffles, a bake sale, and an auction) on the course and in the clubhouse; their presence was noticed and very much appreciated throughout the day.

The Falcon Pride Booster Club uses funds generated by this tournament to assist athletes with training camp costs and summer league fees, to present scholarship monies and student athlete awards, and to provide jackets to champion South Lewis athletes.

Currently, Club members are working to plan a fall fundraising event on the South Lewis campus that will draw together the community and highlight the hard work of our athletes and coaches. Look for more details in the near future!

HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE INFORMATION

SCHOOL COUNSELORS: Ms. Marianne Green will work with students whose last names begin with A through K. Mrs. Julie Birmingham will work with students whose last names begin with L through Z. Please contact them if you have questions regarding academic planning, career and college counseling or personal issues/counseling referrals.

COLLEGE AND CAREER PLANNING EXAM: ALL sophomores will take the Pre-ACT on Thursday, October 11, 2018 to help counselors advise students on career and college planning and finding the right fit. There is no fee for this test. More information will be provided in the fall.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), which is given to juniors, will be administered at South Lewis on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 7:45. Registration will take place in the School Counseling Office October 1st through October 5th. The fee, payable at registration, is \$16.00. This test is good practice for the SAT and it qualifies students for national scholarships. Any student interested in attending college should take this exam.

Senior Section:

College bound seniors who want to retake the SAT or who do not have a score yet, should take the October or November test. Please register online and let the secretary in the School Counseling Office know when you have completed the registration. South Lewis' code (required for registration and for South Lewis to receive your scores) is 335653. These dates are important for seniors planning to attend college who have not taken one of these exams or who wish to repeat one previously taken.

SAT:

October 6, 2018 (test locations are: Rome, Utica and Watertown)

November 3, 2018 at Lowville Academy

May 4, 2019 at Lowville Academy

ACT:

October 27, 2018 at Lowville Academy

June 8, 2019 at Lowville Academy

School Codes required for the SAT/ACT:

South Lewis School Code: 335653

Test Center Codes: Lowville: 33570 (SAT) - 181500 (ACT)

SAT Registration: www.collegeboard.com

ACT Registration: www.actstudent.org

In September, the counselors will be conducting 1:1 senior meetings with 12th graders (and parents who would like to be involved in the process).

Topics covered with each student include graduation requirements, type of diploma, activity resume, future plans, college application procedures, financial aid information, and job and resume information. Seniors and their parents are encouraged to contact Ms. Green or Mrs. Birmingham with any questions or for any assistance they might need regarding these topics.

Counselors will share upcoming college entrance exam registration dates and test dates. Applications for private and State University of NY colleges will be available online at www.commonapp.org or www.suny.edu. After your college application has been completed online, inform the secretary in the School Counseling Office so your official high school transcript can be sent to the college(s) you applied to. (Applications will not be processed until they receive your transcript.) Please let us know application deadlines when applications are handed in, especially if you are applying early decision. All requests for transcripts, recommendations, and help with college applications need to be completed by Friday, November 16, 2018.

SCHOLARSHIP BULLETINS will be distributed to seniors during Government and Economics classes. The scholarships will also be listed on the South Lewis School Counseling section of the South Lewis website and the South Lewis School Counseling Office Facebook page. Students should check bulletins carefully to see if they are eligible for any scholarships and pick up applications in the School Counseling Office or complete the application online. Counselors are available to assist with this.

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS: All college applications should be completed and requests for transcripts be submitted to the School Counseling Office by Friday, November 16, 2018, remember; even if you apply online, the college will want information from the School Counseling Office.

Please communicate with your school counselor about every college you apply to. We are here to assist you with that process.



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FastWeb's Top 10 Admission Tips

- Meet with your counselor! Counselors have important information about colleges, admissions and financial aid. Many colleges also require a counselor recommendation.
- Take a strong course schedule. Your class record is a big part of your college application.
- Ace the entrance exams.
- Find the school that's right for you. Ask your school counselor for advice. Complete a FastWeb College Search(www.fastweb.com). Learn more about schools via their Web sites, campus visits and college fairs.
- Fill out the application accurately and neatly. Approach each application as if it were the only one that you're filling out. Read the directions and follow them precisely. Make a draft copy first, then revise and proofread.
- Craft excellent application essays. Start by brainstorming for an original topic and hone your unique point of view. When writing, be clear, concise and well-organized. Don't forget to check grammar and spelling.
- Submit applications early and watch for deadlines.
- Get great letters of recommendation. Choose adults who know you well such as teachers, employers, coaches, and clergy. In advance, provide required forms, a stamped addressed envelope, a list of your activities and accomplishments, and the date your recommendations need to be mailed.
- Follow up on your applications.
- Dazzle them at your college interview. Stay calm. Prepare by practicing with friends and bring a few questions to ask. Dress for the occasion. Follow up with a thank-you note.



COLLEGE VISITS: There will be College Representatives at South Lewis from Hartwick College on October 23rd at 12:30 and SUNY Plattsburgh on October 24th at 12:45.

HIGHER EDUCATION DAY will be held at Jefferson Community College October 1st during the day for juniors and from 5:30 pm to 7 pm for all others. Details will be available soon. ALL juniors will attend Higher Education Day with their counselors during the day. They will attend a college fair and receive information regarding college admissions, financial aid, college athletics, and preparing for college. Seniors planning to attend college should also go to Higher Education Day from 5:30-7:00 if they are still researching colleges. Sophomores and freshman are welcome as well.

ALL SOPHOMORES have the opportunity to compete in this year's HOBY competition. HOBY is a state-wide competition that encourages students to become active citizens. It is a prestigious competition. Only one student from each high school is selected to attend the NYS HOBY seminar. The winner at the state level proceeds on to the National competition. Students are encouraged to pick up an application in the School Counseling Office once the applications arrive. Listen to the morning announcements!

Last year, Iza Liendecker attended and would be excited to share her experiences with you. Ask Iza about HOBY!

2018-2019 NATIONAL STANDARDIZED EXAMS

SOPHOMORES

PreACT: October 11, 2018 in the S.L. Gym at 7:45 am

JUNIORS

PSAT: October 10, 2018 in the S.L. Gym at 7:45 am. In advance, provide required forms, a stamped addressed envelope, a list of your activities and accomplishments, and the date your recommendations need to be mailed.

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SOUTH LEWIS

OURCES OF STRENGTH

MENTAL HEALTH * MEDICAL ACCESS * FAMILY SUPPORT * SPIRITUALITY

POSITIVE FRIENDS * MENTORS * HEALTHY ACTIVITIES * GENEROSITY

SPREADING HOPE, HEALTH, & STRENGTH

DISCOVER Your SOURCES OF STRENGTH

Mission: Our mission is to provide the highest quality evidence-based prevention for suicide, violence, bullying and substance abuse by training, supporting, and empowering both peer leaders and caring adults to impact their world through the power of connection, hope, help and strength.

Vision: We believe that many strengths are more powerful than one, and our united goal is to activate and mobilize these strengths in ways that positively change individuals and communities.

We Are Sources of Strength

We are a group of diverse **students and adults** from many different corners and cultures of our school and community. We believe that life has ups and downs, that all of us will go through good times and tough times. Our mission is to ensure that during the rough times no one gets so overwhelmed or hopeless that they want to give up.

Our mission is to **spread Hope, Help, and Strength** into every corner of our community.

Our mission is to help students and staff turn to their strengths and their supports that are all around. We are **Connectors** to Help and Strength.

Our mission recognizes that our voice has great power and we use it to **BREAK the SILENCE** when someone is struggling, and to connect them to the help they need and deserve.

We **Spread Hope** by focusing on stories of strength, rather than on stories of trauma. We know our most powerful impact comes from our personal actions, conversations, and messages that use our music, our art, our writing, our activities, our social media, our culture, and our voice. This gives life to our efforts.

Please stop in the South Lewis School Counseling Office for more information about Sources of Strength or becoming a Peer Leader.

Breakfast: \$1.25**September 2018****Lunch: \$2.75**

Menu subject to change by Food Service Manager

September vegetable of the month is garlic

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
Labor Day No School	No School	BREAKFAST Assorted Whole Grain Donuts LUNCH Fried Chicken Drum Stick, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Corn, Sautéed Spinach with Garlic, Fresh Fruit, Diced Peaches	BREAKFAST Assorted Jump Start Break- fast LUNCH Beef Totchos, Shredded Lettuce, Salsa, Sour Cream, Seasoned Summer Squash, Seasoned Green Beans, Apple Juice, Diced Pears	BREAKFAST Bacon and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Cherry Blossom Chicken, Seasoned Rice, Garlic Roasted Broccoli and Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices
10	11	12	13	14
BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Beef Pattie with Beef Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Garlicky Green Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Juice	BREAKFAST Bacon, Egg, and Chip Muffin LUNCH Hot Dog or Chili Dog with Cheese, Pasta Salad, Baked Beans, Pickled Beets, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Fruit Juice	BREAKFAST Muffin Topper Jump Start LUNCH Buffalo Popcorn Chicken, French Fries, Celery Sticks with Low Fat Dip, Seasoned Brussel Sprouts, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Sausage and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Dunkers with Marinara Sauce, Fresh Veggie Cups with Dip, Cook's Choice Homemade Soup, Garlic Roasted Spinach, Fruit Choices, Jell-O with Topping	BREAKFAST French Toast Sticks with Syrup LUNCH Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup with Crack- ers, Baby Carrots with Low Fat Ranch, Pickles, Potato Chips, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Juice
17	18	19	20	21
BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Turkey and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Garlic and Dill Green Beans, Buttery Corn Niblets, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Assorted Bagels with Cream Cheese LUNCH Personal Pan Pizza, Cook's Choice Homemade Soup, Brus- sel Sprout Bake, Cucumber and Tomato Salad, Fruit Choices, Oatmeal Raisin Cookies	BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Hamburger or Cheeseburger on Roll, Macaroni Salad, Pickle Spears, Baked Beans, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Apple Muffin Top Breakfast LUNCH BBQ Ribs on Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned California Blend Veggies, Cherry To- mato Cups, Fruit Choices, Fruit Juice	BREAKFAST Bacon and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Chicken Nuggets with Dipping Sauce, Zucchini and Potato Bake, Seasoned Cauliflower, Citrusy Man- darin Oranges, Fresh Fruit
24	25	26	27	28
BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Deli Sub Day (Ham, Turkey, or Tuna), Sliced Cheese, Leafy Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes, Home- made Turkey and Rice Soup, Potato Chips, Pickle Chips, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Assorted Whole Grain Donuts LUNCH Homemade Macaroni and Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Seasoned Peas and Carrots, Assorted Muffins, Fruit Juice	BREAKFAST Sausage and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Homemade Meatball Hoagie with Mozzarella, Seasoned Baby Carrots, Buttery Noodles, No Bake Cookie, Fresh Fruit	BREAKFAST Assorted Bagels with Cream Cheese LUNCH Beef Burritos with a Dollop, Seasoned Rice, Sour Cream, Tossed Salad with Dressing, Fruit Choices, Fresh Banana	BREAKFAST Ham, Egg, and Cheese Muffin LUNCH South Lewis Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Mixed Green Salad, Garlic Dinner Rolls, Seasoned Green Beans, Peach Cobbler with Top- ping, Fresh Fruit

DAILY LUNCH CHOICES: MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

Small Cafeteria: Pizza or Deli Sandwich (Ham, Turkey, Tuna, PBJ)
On Your Choice of Breads, Rolls and Sliced Cheese, With Soup

Large Cafeteria: Salad or Yogurt Platter
Other Items May Be Purchased Separately.

DAILY LUNCH CHOICES: ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Choice 1 - Daily Menu Choice
Choice 2 - PBJ Meal
Choice 3 - Tuna Sandwich Meal
Choice 4 - Yogurt Meal

Pizza or Deli Sandwich (Ham, Turkey, Tuna, PBJ)
On Your Choice of Breads, Rolls and Sliced Cheese, With Soup

Breakfast: \$1.25**October 2018****Lunch: \$2.75**

Menu subject to change by Food Service Manager

October vegetable of the month is Tomato

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	5
BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Chicken Pattie on Whole Wheat Roll, Cucumber and Tomato Salad, Potato Chips, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Bacon, Egg, and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Hamburger in Gravy Over Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Seasoned Brussel Sprouts, Buttery Corn Niblets, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Assorted Bagels with Cream Cheese LUNCH Homemade Macaroni and Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Assorted Muffins, Seasoned Peas and Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Warm Cinnamon Applesauce	BREAKFAST Assorted Whole Grain Donuts LUNCH Grilled Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Tomato and Macaroni Soup, Baby Carrots with Low Fat Dip, Pickled Beets, Fruited Jell-O Squares with Topping	BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Lucky Plate Day, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices
8	9	10	11	12
No School Columbus Day	BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH Loaded Fries or Hot Dog on Whole Wheat Roll, Crumbled Bacon, Cheese Sauce, Sour Cream, Steamed Broccoli, Fresh Veggie Cups, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Assorted Bagels with Cream Cheese LUNCH Turkey and Gravy, Seasoned Green Beans, Seasoned Butternut Squash, Cranberry Sauce, Pumpkin Cream Cheese Cookies, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH Cherry Blossom Chicken with Egg Roll, Seasoned Rice, Seasoned Corn, Garlicky Spinach, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Dunkers with Dipping Sauce, Homemade Tomato Soup with Crackers, Fresh Spinach and Strawberry Salad, Seasoned Beets, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices
15	16	17	18	19
BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH Sloppy Joes on Whole Wheat Roll, Tator Tots, Seasoned Peas and Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST French Toast Sticks LUNCH Deli Sub Day (Ham, Turkey, or Tuna), Shredded Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes, Sliced Cheese, Hot Pepper Relish, Potato Chips, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH Soft Tacos, Shredded Lettuce, Diced Tomatoes, Salsa, Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream, Seasoned Corn, Seasoned Rice, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Tornado LUNCH Chicken Tenders with Dipping Sauce, Seasoned Potato Wedges, Seasoned Cauliflower and Broccoli, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH French Toast Sticks with Syrup, Sausage Links, Hash Browns, Stewed Tomatoes, Seasoned Carrots, Blueberry Coffee Cake, Fruit Choices
22	23	24	25	26
BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH South Lewis Pizza, Fresh Romaine Salad with Fresh Veggies, Herb Roasted Chickpeas, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Sausage and Cheese Muffin LUNCH BBQ Rib on Whole Wheat Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Seasoned Peas, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH Crispy Chicken and Ranch Wrap, Homemade Cream of Broccoli Soup, Fresh Veggie Cups, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Bacon, Egg, and Cheese Muffin LUNCH Baked Ziti and Meatballs with Homemade Sauce, Cheesy Bread, Fresh Spring Mix Salad with Fresh Veggies, Fruit Juice, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Breakfast Break LUNCH Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup with Crackers, Pickled Beets, Potato Chips, Pickle Spear, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Fruit Choices
29	30	31		
BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Hamburger or Cheeseburger on Whole Wheat Roll, Tator Tots, Fresh Veggie Cups with Hummus, Pickle Spear, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices	BREAKFAST Bacon and Cheese Muffins LUNCH Fried Chicken Drum Sticks, Mashed Potatoes, Buttery Corn, Tomato Salad, Rice Crispy Treats, Fruit Juice	BREAKFAST Jump Start Breakfast LUNCH Hot Dog or Chili Dog with Cheddar Cheese on Whole Wheat Roll, Seasoned Wedges, Coleslaw, Seasoned Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Choices		

DAILY ENTREES: MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

Large & Small Café—Choice 1—Daily Menu Choice
 Salad Plate
 Yogurt Parfait
 Large & Small Café—Monday, Wednesday, and Friday—Subs
 Large & Small Café—Tuesday and Thursday—Pizza
 Large & Small Café—Hot Choice Offered

DAILY ENTREES: ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
 Choice 1—Daily Menu Choice
 Choice 2—PBJ
 Choice 3—Tuna Sandwich
 Choice 4—Yogurt Meal
 Wednesday—No Sandwiches

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School begins
September 5th
Welcome Back Students

SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION BEGINS SEPTEMBER 1st

School tax bills will be delivered to homeowners by the 1st of September with payment due on or before September 30th. Postmark date is accepted as on-time payment. A two percent late fee is added to any payments made from October 1 – October 31.

The tax collector will be available to accept payment in person at Community Bank in Lyons Falls every Thursday and Friday from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM from September 1 through October 31. After October 31st unpaid taxes are returned to the Lewis County Treasurer and can no longer be paid to the school.



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