

# South Lewis Central School

Home of the Falcons

2018-2019  
School and Community  
Directory and Calendar

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# Welcome to 2018 - 2019 at South Lewis Central



Welcome to the 2018-19 school year. It is our hope that you find this District Calendar and Directory helpful and informative. Please keep in mind that this calendar is compiled in June and printed in July. Therefore, there may be changes that occur to the schedule and information as the year unfolds.

As always the beginning of the school year will bring excitement, change, and a new start. It is our expectation that school be a great experience for you, your child, and our entire community. Our school district is the hub of the community with countless activities, events, and opportunities. As you review the calendar please note the many wonderful events and opportunities available. We hope to see you at many of them including musicals, athletic events, or special school events such as picnics. It truly takes the collective efforts of everyone for students to be successful, and we greatly value your involvement. The calendar also includes important information regarding policies and procedures that can prove helpful.

Our staff is looking forward to the school year with great excitement. We wish everyone a wonderful 2018-19. May this be our best year yet!

Sincerely,

Mr. Douglas Premo  
Superintendent of Schools

## **Welcome to South Lewis**

The 2018-2019 school year will begin for all students, UPK-12, with a full day of classes on Tuesday, September 5th.

### **School Start and End Times**

Elementary (K-4)	8:20 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Middle (5-8)	7:38 a.m. to 2:38 p.m.
High (9-12)	7:38 a.m. to 2:38 p.m.

### **New Student Registration**

New students should be registered as soon as possible at the building they will attend. Staff is available to help you register between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. each weekday. For more information, please call the appropriate school office as listed in the directory on the administration page of this calendar.

### **Kindergarten Registration**

Children are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten if their fifth birthday falls on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>. A birth certificate and proof of immunization are required. Registration for children entering Kindergarten in September 2019 will be held in the spring, with Kindergarten screening dates scheduled in May/June 2019.

#### **Please Note:**

**This District Calendar was prepared during July 2018. Therefore, dates of some activities may change as needed during the year. You may wish to call the appropriate school office to verify dates, times, and location or check the calendars on our website, [www.southlewis.org](http://www.southlewis.org).**

# Board of Education and District Administration



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education is comprised of nine members elected by district residents at the annual election and budget vote held each spring. Board members serve without pay for staggered five-year terms.

Under the Education Law of New York State, the school board is responsible for establishing policies, which govern the education of all children attending district schools; for preparing the annual budget; and for ensuring district adherence to state law and regulations. As Chief School Officer, the Superintendent of Schools is charged with seeing that school board policies are carried out.

Regular meetings of the South Lewis Board of Education are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the South Lewis Board Room (located directly next door to the District Office) unless otherwise announced. Additional Board meetings will be held the first Tuesday of each month on an as-needed basis. Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings.

## South Lewis School Board of Education 2018-2019

Mr. Barry Worczak, President	Mr. Scott Chrzanowski
Mr. Andrew Liendecker, V.P.	Mr. Michael Lisk
Mr. Tom Burmingham	Mrs. Dawn Ludovici
Mr. Paul Campbell	Mr. Richard Ventura
Mrs. Jessica Carpenter	



## DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools	Mr. Douglas Premo	348-2500
School Business Administrator	Mr. Barry Yette	348-2503
Principal, Glenfield Elementary	Ms. Christine Flansburg	348-2620
Principal, Port Leyden Elementary	Mr. Christopher Villiere	348-2660
Principal, Middle School	Ms. Judith Duppert	348-2570
Principal, High School	Mr. Chad Luther	348-2520
Director of Health, Phys. Ed & Athletics	Mr. C. Brian Oaks	348-2562
Director of Information Technology	Mr. Scott Carpenter	348-2567
Director of Special Education	Ms. Catherine Littlefield	348-2551
Curriculum-Data Coordinator	Mrs. Deborah Domagala	348-2517

## Where Do You Go With a Question or Concern?

Concerns or questions regarding your child's educational experience should be directed first to his or her classroom teacher. If more information is needed or you still have questions and/or concerns, you may want to schedule a meeting with your child's principal or, at the Middle-High School level, with your child's guidance counselor. A call to the Superintendent of Schools is most appropriate if you feel your questions have not been adequately addressed at the preceding levels. The final level of contact is the Board of Education. If you have questions regarding who to contact, call the Superintendent's office at 348-2500.

## DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the South Lewis Central School District is to assure that all students acquire knowledge and develop the skills and work habits to enable them to become productive members of society. This mission is best accomplished when school personnel maintain high expectations for all students, create a positive school climate, ensure a safe and orderly school environment, monitor students' progress on a frequent basis, and promote effective home-school communications.

# Health Services



## Health Services

Healthy children are more successful in school. Therefore, we provide health services under the guidance of a registered nurse in each building:

Glenfield Elementary	Heather LeVan	348-2625
Port Leyden Elementary	DeyLynne Farr	348-2665
Middle/High School	Kelly Mear	348-2525

## Immunizations

All children entering and attending school must be adequately immunized against polio, diphtheria, measles, mumps, rubella, varicella (chicken pox), and Hepatitis B. Two doses of MMR and varicella are required. Without proper proof of immunization, children will not be permitted to attend school. Questions regarding pupil immunizations may be directed to the appropriate school nurse and further information can be found at [health.ny.gov/immunization](http://health.ny.gov/immunization). New York State Public Health Law also requires all children entering pre-k and seventh grade to be immunized against Hepatitis B and children entering pre-k and sixth grade be immunized against chicken pox and T-dap, a booster shot. All 7th and 12th grade students will be required to be immunized against Meningitis. If you have any questions, please contact the appropriate school nurse.

## Communicable Infections

Any known communicable infections should be reported to child's nurse so that proper care can be taken for your child and others. The South Lewis Board of Education recognizes the concern of lice or nit (lice egg) infestation and its relationship to the health and education of our students. Because of this, it is the policy of the South Lewis Board of Education that: upon report of the possibility of lice or nits infestation, the school nurse will inspect the individual to confirm the presence of lice or nits. If infestation is confirmed, the student's parent/guardian will be notified to pick up their child. All students that are found to have lice or nits will be sent home. The parent/guardian is expected to treat the student and remove all nits from the student. The parent/guardian will accompany the student upon return to school. The school nurse will inspect the student. If there are live lice or nits present, the parent/guardian will take the student home for further treatment.

## Physical Examinations

### Meningococcal Vaccine

New York State Law requires that all children entering 7th and 12th grade will be required to have the meningococcal vaccine.

LEAD SCREENING: Students entering pre-k must have proof of lead screening.

TETANUS-PERTUSSIS BOOSTER: Required for students entering 6th grade.

**Please contact Public Health or your doctor to complete this requirement**

New York State Education Law requires that physical examinations be completed for the students prior to entering pre-k or kindergarten and in grade 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11, as well as for new entrants to school. Examinations may be completed by our school physician, or if you prefer, your own physician. Physical examinations also are required for students who wish to participate in interscholastic athletics. The school nurse annually screens vision, hearing,

height, weight, and from the ages of 8 to 16, scoliosis. Parents will be informed of any unusual findings.

## Special Health Needs

Please notify the school nurse if your child has any special health needs. This information is kept confidential and it can be important to a successful school experience. Examples of such health needs include bee sting allergy and/or allergy to any other substance; difficulty with vision, hearing, or speech; need for medication during the school day; need for special equipment such as crutches, walkers, or wheelchairs, either on a temporary or permanent basis. A current health/emergency form must be on file in the appropriate school nurse's office.

## Medication in School

New York State Law states that no medication can be administered at school except under doctor's orders. Even then, the medication must be given by the school nurse. This includes not only prescription medicines but over-the-counter remedies such as Tylenol, cough syrup, and cough drops. Parents/Guardians must deliver medications to school nurse. **Do not allow children to carry medicine to school.**

School nurses are permitted to dispense medication during the school hours, **only** when all the following conditions are met:

1. Written permission is received from parents.
2. Written doctor orders are received from physician with instructions for administering.
3. Parent/Guardian delivers the medicine to the nurse's office in a pharmacy container with label intact. (Ask your pharmacist for a second, smaller container for the school doses.)
4. The medicine will be counted by the nurse; both the nurse and the parent/guardian will then sign on the medication sheet.

## Student Accident Insurance

The South Lewis Central School District provides the opportunity for the parents to purchase student accident insurance through the Pupil Benefits Plan. The Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. operates on a non-profit basis and is under the supervision of the New York State Public School Athletic Association. The plan is available to all students in elementary, middle, and high school. The basic philosophy of the plan is to assist parents with expenses. The parent's or guardian's insurance is the primary insurance and the Pupil Benefits Plan is in the excess coverage position. The reimbursement is based on a schedule - so many dollars for each type of injury.

Parents will receive a letter during the month of September describing the policy, premium rates, and coverage. Parents can choose to purchase student insurance based on three types of coverage. Parents are required to return a form to indicate whether or not they intend to purchase insurance. Questions concerning the Pupil Benefits Plan can be directed to the District Office at 348-2511.

# Transportation

South Lewis Central Schools is one of the largest geographic school districts in square miles in the entire State. To serve over 1,000 resident students who attend our schools, South Lewis' bus fleets travel almost 2,700 miles each day and almost 500,000 each year. Our buses make approximately 40 runs per day.

Both you and your child should know their bus number, driver's name, and route number. Bus route information has been sent out to each parent during the month of August. If you have concerns regarding your child's bus route, please contact Michael Hanno, Transportation Supervisor, at 348-2590 or Frank McDougall, Dispatcher, at 348-2592.

## **Safety is Our First Priority**

Because your child's safety is our business, it is essential that students behave appropriately while riding the school bus. Any student whose conduct is unacceptable may be suspended from school transportation. Under New York State Education Law, if a child is permanently suspended from school transportation, it becomes the parent's or guardian's responsibility to transport the child to and from school.

## **School Bus Safety Tips**

### ***Waiting for the school bus...***

- Always be on time at the bus stop.
- HORNS ARE USED FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY – Drivers will NOT be tooting horns to let students know they are there.
- Wait quietly and in an orderly manner so that the bus driver can see you.
- Wait for the bus 15 feet off the road. Stand back and away from moving traffic.
- Never accept rides with friendly strangers who offer rides to school.

### ***Getting on the bus...***

- Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop.
- Never crowd around the door of the school bus.
- Go directly to a seat and stay there.

### ***Riding on the bus...***

- Always be courteous to the bus driver and other passengers.
- Remember where the emergency exits are and how to use them.
- Never put your head, arms, or hands out the open window.
- Do not distract the bus driver.

### ***Getting off the school bus...***

- Wait in the seat until the bus comes to a complete stop.
- Stay alert to any moving traffic.
- Never cross the road until it is safe and the bus driver gives you the crossing signal.

### ***In the winter...***

- Dress warmly - wear hats, mittens, boots.
- Do not stand or play on snow banks at the bus stop.

**Never try to retrieve fallen belongings from around or underneath the bus. Do not run out into traffic to retrieve your items.**



## **Safety Rules on the Bus**

1. Observe same conduct as in classroom
2. Be courteous, use no profane language
3. Do not eat or drink on the bus
4. Keep the bus clean
5. Cooperate with the driver
6. No tobacco products allowed on bus
7. Do not tamper with or damage bus or equipment
8. Stay sitting in your seat
9. Keep head, hands, feet inside bus
10. Do not bring any dangerous items or material on bus
11. Bus driver will assign seats
12. No animals on school bus
13. Do not fight, push, or shove

## **Emergency Closings/Early Dismissals**

Tune in to the following radio or television stations for information on school closings or early dismissals:

Radio	Radio	TV
WCIZ 93	WBDR 106.7	WSTM 3
WYYY 94	WSYR 570	WWNY 7
WKLL 94.9	WTNY 790	WSYR 9
WODZ 96.1	WBRV 900	YNN 10
WOUR 96.9	WIBX 950	WUTR 20
WFRY 97.5	WRUN 1150	WNYF 28
WLZW 98.7	WIXT 1230	WWTI 50
WOTT 100.7	WANT 1240	
WLLG 101.3	WTLB 1310	
WTOJ 103.1	WRNY 1350	
WTOJ 104.3		

You can also call our 24-hour weather information line at 348-COLD (2653) or visit our website [www.southlewis.org](http://www.southlewis.org) for closing or delay information. When schools are closed due to inclement weather conditions, all other activities including sports practice, athletic competitions, student activities, and community-related activities will be canceled.

Parents/guardians and children should have a procedure to follow in the event of an emergency early dismissal. Children will not be dropped off at home if there is not a parent or guardian present. The driver will be instructed where to take the child. Please be sure to make prior arrangements for the care of younger children if no adult will be home during the day. Please send notes to school for alternative drop off locations.

## **A Note to Kindergarten & Pre-K Parents**

As newcomers to school, kindergarten children need to know the rules of riding the bus. Please take the time to explain school bus safety rules to your child and escort him/her to the school bus stop so that together we can ensure the safety of your child. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the Transportation Department at 348-2590.

# School Counseling Services



## School Counseling Services

The school counseling program provides the following services: an annual review of each student's educational progress and career plans, instruction to help students learn about curriculum options and careers, individual and/or group counseling assistance to help students develop and implement post secondary education and career plans, and personal/social counseling for all students.

**Ms. Marianne Green** will provide school counseling services for students in grades 9-12 whose last names begin with the letters **A - K**. **Mrs. Julie Burmingham** will provide school counseling services for students in grades 9-12 whose last names begin with the letters **L - Z**. The counselors can be contacted by calling (315) 348-2530 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

## High School Student Schedules

Schedules for students in grades 9-12 will be distributed on the first day of school. If parents have access to Parent Portal, student schedules will be available on School Tool the week prior to the first day of school. Parents and students should take a few moments to review the schedule.

All students in grades 9-12 are expected to carry five and one-half credits each year. Students are highly encouraged to carry additional work if their schedule permits doing so. All students must have their high school programs of study approved by their School Counselor and their parents. Students must speak with the teacher of the course about what they can do to be successful, prior to meeting with their school counselor about withdrawing from a course. All schedule changes need to be completed by the end of the 5th week (first progress report deadline). Any withdrawal after this time will be subject to the discretion of the counselor and principal, and may result in a "withdraw fail" distinction.

Withdrawal from a course needs to be seriously considered by all parties. Every effort should be made by the student to seek another course of instruction if the withdrawal from the original course is granted.

## Access to Student Records

A parent, guardian, or student over the age of 18 has access to his/her child's or his/her own school records according to a federal law known as the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. Any records maintained by a school district as part of the official record are available for review by the parent or the student after reaching age 18. The law also controls sharing of pupil records with third party individuals or agencies. To request access to records or to ask questions regarding this law, please contact the student's building principal.

The following subject and credit requirements are also necessary:

## Minimum Graduation Requirements (Class of 2019)

Students must have accumulated at least 22 credits to graduate, and carry at least five and one-half credits each year.

<u>Required Subjects</u>	<u>Regents Diploma</u>	<u>Advanced Regents Diploma</u>
English	4 credits	4 credits
Social Studies	4 credits	4 credits
Math	3 credits	3 credits
Science	3 credits	3 credits
Spanish	1 credit	3 credits
Health	.5 credit	.5 credit
Art or Music	1 credit	1 credit
Physical Education	2 credits	2 credits
Freshman Seminar	.5 credit	.5 credit
Electives	<u>3 credits</u>	<u>1 credits</u>
Total	22 credits	22 credits

## Graduation Policies

The following local policies affecting graduation should be carefully noted:

1. Each pupil must take at least five and one-half units of credit per semester.
2. Physical education is required each year for graduation. One-half unit of credit per year will be awarded upon successful completion each year.
3. Students must have completed all graduation requirements in order to participate in the graduation ceremony.

## Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for graduation from South Lewis Central School, students must fulfill all requirements specified by the South Lewis Board of Education and the New York State Education Department. Each student must meet NYS Regents testing requirements in Mathematics, Science, Global Studies, US History, and English. Please contact your School Counselor for specific requirements.

# School Counseling Services



## Social and Emotional Development

We care about our students' total well-being, and we also recognize that a student's academic performance can be greatly affected by his/her physical, mental, and emotional health. Therefore, we offer a network of professional personnel and resources to provide both prevention and intervention assistance to students and their families when help is needed in such areas as substance abuse prevention, pregnancy, peer conflict resolution, divorce, suicide prevention, and other issues.

Many of our staff members are trained in intervention procedures, and a number of prevention and intervention programs are available in our schools. We also have collaborative partnerships with various municipal agencies, relationships that help provide better delivery of services to children and families.

## Student Testing

At various times throughout the school year, at all grade levels, students are required to take standardized tests. Many of the dates for these tests are noted on the calendar, so parents may be sure students are well rested and prepared at test time.

Students who plan to attend college should take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and the American College Testing (ACT) college entrance exams. Most colleges will accept either set of test scores, but, the two tests measure different abilities and achievement areas. It is a good idea for students to take both the SAT and the ACT. Most students take these tests in the spring of their junior year, but they may also take them in the fall of their senior year. Students interested in applying for a Military Service Academy should be sure to take the SAT/ACT in the spring of their junior year. Juniors should take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) which is good practice for the SAT. The PSAT is also the qualifying exam for National Merit Scholarship competition. The Pre ACT is scheduled in October for all sophomores. Students planning on entering the military should take the ASVAB, offered in November every year, though any student may sign up to take it because it has an excellent interest inventory and ability assessment.

Students may register online for the ACT at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) and for the SAT at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). The South Lewis school code, required for registration, is 335653. It is important to register early in order to get one's first choice of test sites. Questions regarding these test programs should be directed to your child's counselor at 348-2530.

Test dates for the above tests often appear on the website and in our monthly newsletter to parents, under the school counseling section.

**Choices:** Choices is a web-based college and career research tool that also includes an interest profiler to help students who are unclear about their college and career options. To access "Choices", go to [www.bridges.com](http://www.bridges.com). The site ID for South Lewis is 0100987, and the password is N8c9m2R4. Be sure to write your own portfolio name and password in a safe place.

## College Courses

South Lewis High School offers college courses through Tompkins Cortland Community College, Morrisville State College, and Jefferson Community College. These are offered as concurrent enrollment and distance learning courses.

### Tompkins Cortland Community College:

ENGL101 Academic Writing II	ENGL102 Approaches to Literature
MATH201 Calculus	MATH138 Pre-calculus
MATH200 Statistics	PHSC104 General Physics
ECON101 Introduction to Economics	POSC103 American National Government
MATH120 College Algebra	SPAN 280
SPAN 281	

### Morrisville State College:

HORT100 Introduction to Horticulture  
ENSC100 Introduction to Environmental Science  
ANSC100 Introduction to Animal Science & Industry

### Jefferson Community College:

PSY133 Introduction to Psychology  
SOC144 Introduction to Sociology  
ENG100 Composition  
BUS116 Business Math

# Student Expectations

## **Attendance**

State law requires that all children, ages 6 to 16, attend school. Regular attendance and punctuality are essential to learning and developing responsibility for future work experience. Parents/guardians are urged to assist us in the development of responsible young adults by seeing that children attend school regularly, except when they are ill.

Whenever your child is absent, be sure to call and inform the school nurse in the morning of the first day of absence. Unreported absences may result in the school nurse contacting the parents/guardians of the absent child. Students are responsible for any material covered and/or assignments missed during their absence.

Whenever a child has been absent or tardy, an excuse should be provided from the parent/guardian upon return to school. It is preferred that this excuse be written. Excessive absence or habitual tardiness will result in the scheduling of a parent conference. Continuous absence may result in a loss of credit or failure of the class.

Students who must leave during the school day are required to bring a request from a parent/guardian to their school health office or main office. All students must report to the health office and/or main office prior to leaving school.

If you have any questions regarding your child's attendance at school, contact your building principal. The phone numbers are listed on page two of this directory. The complete attendance policy is available by contacting the South Lewis District Office, PO Box 10, Turin, NY 13473 or by calling 348-2500.

## **Homebound Instruction**

Homebound instruction is a service provided to students who are unable to attend school due to medical, emotional, or disciplinary problems. Secondary students receive instruction for two hours per day and elementary students receive one hour per day. Students receive credit for their completed work while on homebound instruction.



Once a student has been absent for more than five consecutive days due to a medical, emotional or disciplinary reason, the school may arrange for homebound instruction. If the inability to attend is due to a medical or emotional reason, the parent should obtain from the child's physician a written medical request for homebound instruction.

## **Discipline**

School is a place for students to learn and develop healthy social relationships. In order for the school to provide an environment conducive to learning and growing, students must cooperate by respecting others as well as themselves. Specific disciplinary procedures are outlined in student handbooks and the district Code of Conduct, which may be obtained from your building principal.

Discipline is a responsibility that is shared by both home and school. South Lewis faculty and staff members support proper discipline habits for students and are happy to work cooperatively with parents in this effort.

## **Report Cards**

Grades are an indication of a student's effort and understanding of a subject. Report cards are issued quarterly and are mailed home at the Middle and High School levels.

Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled in the fall for students in grades K-8 in addition to their report cards. Parent teacher conferences for students identified as being at-risk in grades K-8 are scheduled in the spring. The dates for these conferences are noted on the calendar. Parent-teacher conferences for students in grades 9 through 12 are scheduled as needed.

Students who are having problems in a subject generally receive an interim report, outlining some difficulties students are experiencing and suggestions for improvement. Parents are encouraged to consult with teachers and/or guidance counselors when difficulties arise regarding a student's academic progress.



# Student Opportunities

## **Student Opportunities**

Students in every grade may explore a rich variety of activities through both classroom and co-curricular opportunities. We believe that a high percentage of student participation not only ensures a well-rounded education but also allows our students to find success in their areas of individual interest.

We also are finding that, more and more, colleges and universities are looking not just for the academically gifted students, but for young people who are willing to “get involved” by participating in their total school community.

Beginning in kindergarten, field trips allow students to make a tangible connection between classroom learning and real-life experience. Whenever possible, special guests offer an added dimension to the learning experience.

Extra-curricular activities provide opportunities for expanding special interests and abilities. Activities include academic and special interest clubs, choral and instrumental activities and drama productions. At the Middle-High School level, students are offered the opportunity to participate in interscholastic academic competitions throughout the school year. Students at all levels are encouraged to explore their creativity through art and music.

The athletic program at South Lewis emphasizes the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play. The purpose of our athletic program is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the participants. Along with this, we encourage leadership, initiative, good judgment, and courtesy. Interscholastic athletics include baseball, basketball, cross-country, football, golf, skiing, soccer, softball, swimming, track, volleyball, and wrestling.

## **Student Clubs and Activities**

A student's involvement in extra-curricular activities is an important part of a complete education. This involvement provides the student with an opportunity to discover and develop talents and abilities. Each student is encouraged to select wisely from a wide range of activities and to participate in those areas which hold the greatest promise.

## **Working Papers**

South Lewis Central School cooperates with the New York State Labor Department in the issuance of working papers required by law for minors, ages 14-18, who seek part-time or full-time employment. Students must submit proof of age and must have had a physical examination within the last year. Students must apply in person and sign in the presence of a school official. A parent's signature is also required on the application. Working papers are issued through the High School main office.



## **Resource Rooms**

The Resource Rooms are designed to provide special education students with an opportunity to:

1. Get help with reading skills
2. Develop study skills
3. Receive help with content subjects
4. Take make-up tests under supervision
5. Meet in small study groups
6. Read and study

The Resource Rooms serve as a resource for bringing together skills and content for faculty and students alike. Students with special needs (those classified through CSE) will be regularly scheduled for classes here. Vocabulary development, comprehension, and reading skills are strengthened through use of various reading materials and methods along with student subject textbooks.

## **Special Education Programs**

The South Lewis Central School District provides a continuum of educational programs for students with disabilities. Most services for students with disabilities are provided within the South Lewis District, with a few in neighboring school districts through BOCES. Anyone who suspects that his or her child may have a disability that would require special educational services should call the Committee on Special Education (CSE) at 348-2535.

## **Library Media Center**

The Library Media Center is to be used for quiet study, research, and book selection. In addition to books and magazines, computer resources and audio-visual materials are available for students to use to complete assignments or to pursue new interests. The library staff will assist students in the location and proper use of resources and equipment available. Library computers are also available for student use after school.

## **Driving Permit Exams**

Students may take their written exam for their driving permit in the High School Guidance Office. Students will take the exam on a computer, in about 15 minutes. When they pass, they will be issued a form to take to DMV, along with the other necessary papers they need in order to obtain a permit, take an eye exam, and be issued a permit. The Guidance Office will not issue the actual permit.

# School and Community: A Partnership



## **Use of School Facilities**

The South Lewis Central School District welcomes the use of its facilities by co-curricular, youth, community, and civic groups. Approval of applications to use school facilities are based on the following priorities:

1. School-related groups
2. Recreational programs for youth
3. Community organizations
4. Other groups and activities

When using school facilities, the following general regulations must be observed:

1. Adequate adult supervision at all times
2. At least one supervisor must have CPR/AED certification
3. Payment of personnel costs when additional staff must be assigned to cover an event (at the established hourly rate)
4. In cases where a potential liability could accrue to the school district, groups will be requested to present a certificate of insurance

Complete regulations and the required application may be obtained in the District Office.

## **Communication**

A regularly published district newsletter, highlighting school events and educational issues, is made available to all residents of the district beginning with the first issue in September. This is supplemented by building publications and individual communication between teachers and parents. Student achievement and activities also are publicized through the local media.

The district's official newspapers for publication of legal notices are the Watertown Daily Times, the Lowville Journal and Republican, and the Boonville Herald.

The South Lewis website, [www.southlewis.org](http://www.southlewis.org), is also a good source for information about the South Lewis Central School District. The District calendar, sports calendars, lunch menus, and individual building calendars are all available on the website. The website offers resources for parents and community members.

## **Income Tax Information**

New York State residents must include the name and code number of the public school in which they live when filing income tax forms. The tax code number for South Lewis is **602**.

## **Notification of Rights Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) And Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPPA)**

Parents of a student under 18, or a student 18 or older, have a right to inspect and review any and all official records, files, and data directly related to their children, including all material that is incorporated into each student's cumulative record folder and intended for school use or to be available to parties outside the school or school system and specifically including, but not necessarily limited to, identifying data, academic work completed, level of achievement (grades, standardized achievement test scores), attendance data, scores on standardized intelligence, aptitude and psychological tests, interest inventory results, health data, family background information, teacher or counselor ratings, and observations and verified reports of serious or recurrent behavior patterns.

A parent of a student under 18 years of age, or a student 18 years of age or older shall make a request for access to a child's (his/her own) school records, in writing, to the elementary principal of the building to which such student is assigned or the guidance counselor in the secondary school. Upon receipt of such request, arrangements shall be made to provide access to such records within a reasonable period of time, but in no case, no more than 45 days after the request has been received.

If information contained in the student's record is believed to be inaccurate or misleading, the parent or eligible student should write the principal, clearly identifying the part of the record they want changed and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the district decides not to amend the record as requested, the parent or eligible student will be notified of the decision and advised of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

Student records and material contained therein, which is personally identifiable, are confidential and may not be released or made available to persons other than parents or students without the written consent of such parents or students.

# Athletics



## **Athletic Participation**

Boys and girls in grades 7 through 12 may take part in interscholastic sports. As athletes and representatives of South Lewis Central School, students participating in interscholastic athletics are expected to maintain high standards of conduct. These standards, as well as disciplinary measures for violations, are set forth in the Regulation for Interscholastic Athletics and the Middle School or High School Student Handbook, which is given to each student athlete. Athletes are also responsible to the South Lewis Academic Eligibility Program. South Lewis strives for academic excellence from all students. Academic Eligibility is an effort-based program to assist students with their academics. Copies of these regulations are available from C.Brian Oaks, Athletic Director. Additional copies of student handbooks are available from the Middle and High School Principals.

## **Athletic Philosophy**

**MODIFIED:** All students at the seventh and eighth grade are encouraged to participate in interscholastic athletic teams. Unless there is an overabundance of students trying out for a particular team, no student will be excluded in the selection process. Students may participate as long as they pass the physical examination and meet the school standards of good citizenship, positive attitude, and good practice attendance. Basic skill development is stressed at this level. The participant should become versed in the rules of the game. Every effort is made to give play to all participants.

**JUNIOR VARSITY:** Along with refinement of basic skills, increased emphasis is placed upon team play and physical conditioning. Winning is considered important and participants are taught how to cope with winning, losing, and crowd influence during athletic contests. An attempt will be made to allow all participants to play.

**VARSITY:** Ability and attitude are the determining factors in making the team at the varsity level. The varsity level of competition is the culmination of the high school athletic program. Team play, sportsmanship, individual physical ability, motivation, and mental attitude are very important aspects of competition at this level. The team definitely plans to win, but varsity contestants should accept the fact that important lessons are to be learned from losing. It is recognized that not all participants play in every contest.

## **Athletic Procedures**

All students who would like to participate in South Lewis Athletics must fulfill all the following responsibilities before being allowed to participate in practice or games:

1. Students need to sign up for South Lewis Athletics by registering on FamilyID. FamilyID is an online and secure registration platform that provides our community with an easy, user friendly way to register for our programs.

Students and their families can get to FamilyID though our website, [www.southlewis.org](http://www.southlewis.org) and go to Parent/Community to find FamilyID. Click on FamilyID and Log In/Create and Account. Once into FamilyID, select the program you want to register for and complete all the necessary forms.

For assistance with FamilyID you can call them at: 1-888-800-5583. You may also contact the school at: 315-348-2520.

2. South Lewis has developed white card deadlines for the purpose of deciding whether we will have particular sports or what levels we will have for each sport. Please encourage your student athletes to meet all deadlines so that we may offer solid, well organized, successful sports for all athletes.

3. All student athletes are required by NYS Public High School Athletic Association and the Education Department to have a physical approved by the school physician once every 12 months. No athlete may participate after the season of the one (1) year anniversary of his/her last physical. Physicals will be offered to student athletes for all sports during the next school year. (If a student fails to get a physical provided by the school, the student and the student's parents will be responsible for getting and paying for a physical.)

## **Spectator Code of Behavior**

1. Direct all energies to encouraging the teams.
2. Avoid actions which offend visiting teams or individual players.
3. Show appreciation of good play by both teams.
4. Learn the rules of the game in order to be a more intelligent spectator.
5. Treat all visiting teams with respect.
6. Accept the judgment of coaches and officials.
7. Encourage other spectators to participate in the spirit of good sportsmanship.
8. Be positive!

## **Sport Schedules**

To find South Lewis Falcon athletic schedules:

1. Visit the South Lewis website [www.southlewis.org](http://www.southlewis.org), click on sports schedules
2. Call the sports line for daily schedules at 348-2580

## *Alma Mater*

*High above the rolling valleys,  
On a hilltop proud and grand  
In a sphere of living knowledge  
Our Alma Mater stately stands.*

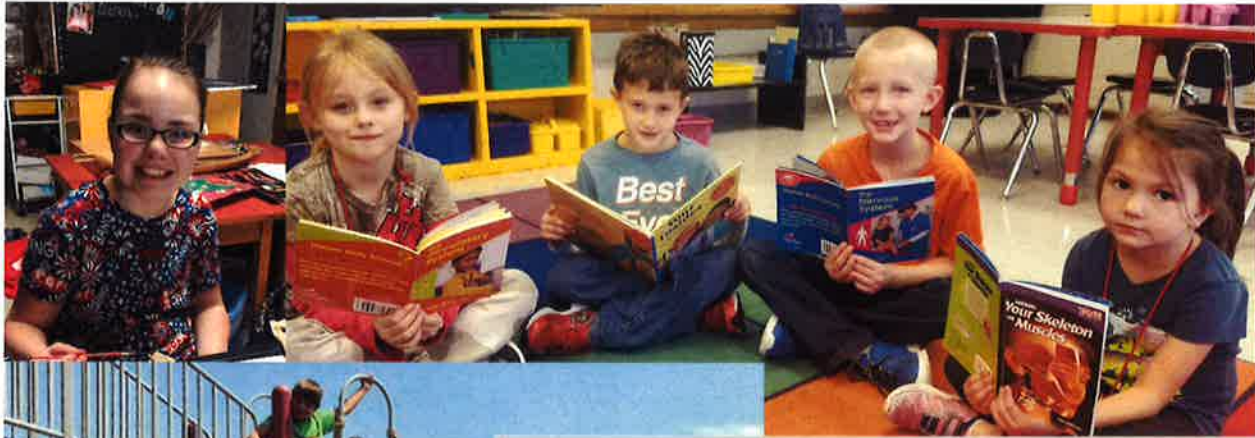
*As we pause along life's journey  
And recall the years gone by,  
We will raise our voices singing  
Hail to thee, South Lewis High!*

# JULY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Summer School Begins	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# AUGUST 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Last Day of Summer School	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 JV & Varsity Fall Sports Begin	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Varsity 8 Man Football Begins	24	25
26	27 Modified Football Begins	28	29	30	31	



# SEPTEMBER 2018




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 <b>No School Labor Day</b>	4 UPK/K Meet & Greet 3:00 - 4:00 pm Modified Sports Begin <b>Superintendent's Conference Day</b>	5 <b>First Day Of School</b>	6	7	8
9	10 MS PTG - 3:00 pm	11 PL & MS/HS School Bus Safety Drills GF PTO - 3:15 pm	12 GF School Bus Safety Drills PL Open House and Title I Parent Night 6:30 - 7:30	13	14	15
16	17 PL Picture Day GF Open House and Title I Parent Night 6:30 - 7:30 pm Constitution & Citizenship Day	18 BOE Meeting 6:30 pm	19 Senior Class Picnic PL PTO - 3:20 pm Senior Portraits, Baby Pictures and Directories Due	20 4th Grade X-Country Run Senior Picnic(Rain Date) MS/HS Open House 6:30 - 8:00 pm Lewis County College & Career Fair	21 4th Grade X-Country Run (Rain Date)	22
23 30	24	25	26 GF Picture Day	27 8th Grade Mountain Biking Trip to Potato Hill Farm MS Activity Night Grades 7&8 6:30 - 8:00 pm	28 Grade 4 Bald Mountain Hike 5th Grade Trip Hiking Potato Hill Farm Homecoming Football Game	29 Homecoming Dance 7:00 - 10:00 pm



OCTOBER 2018





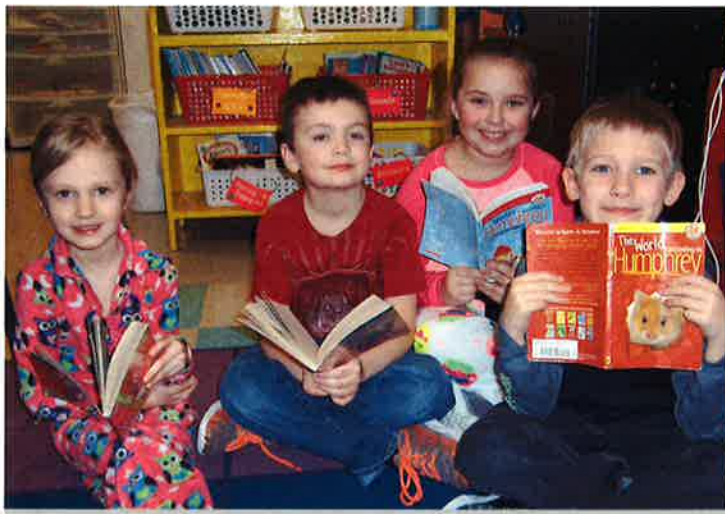
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Grade 4 Bald Mtn. Hike (Rain Date)	5 7th Grade Trip To Beaver Camp	6
7	8 <b>Columbus Day No School</b>	9 GF PTO - 3:15 pm	10 MS Picture Day PSAT (Juniors)	11 PL Grandparents Day UPK - Grade 2 HS Picture Day Pre ACT (Sophomores)	12 PL Grandparents Day Grades 3 & 4 HS Picture Day 7th Grade Beaver Camp Rain Date	13
14	15 MS PTG - 3:00 pm Family Swim Begins	16 BOE Meeting 6:30 pm	17 PL PTO - 3:20 pm	18 GF Grandparents Day UPK - Grade 2	19 GF Grandparents Day Grades 3 & 4 Winter I Sports Sign Up Deadline	20
21 <b>National School Bus Safety Week October 22-26</b> 	22	23	24	25	26 MS Grandparent's Day	27 ACT @ Lowville For Seniors
<b>National FFA Convention</b> 						
28	29 GF Picture Re-takes Modified Winter I Sports Begin	30 Fall Bi-County Rehearsal	31 Halloween PL Halloween Parade 1:45 pm GF Halloween Parade 2:00 pm			



# NOVEMBER 2018




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 MS Activity Night Grades 5&6 6:30 - 8:00 pm	2 Fall Bi-County Rehearsal	3 Fall Bi-County Rehearsal & Concert  SAT @ Lowville For Seniors
4	5 JV & Varsity Winter Sports Begin  PL Picture Re-Takes  MS PTG - 3:00 pm	6  <b>Election Day</b>	7	8  MS Career Day	9  First Marking Period Ends  Broadway Recital 7:30 pm	10
11	12  <b>No School Veteran's Day</b>	13  GF PTO - 3:15 pm	14  PL PTO - 3:20 pm	15  ASVAB Test	16  Area All-State Festival	17  Area All-State Festival
18	19  <b>ES/MS Parent Teacher Conferences Early Dismissal 11:15-MS, 11:45-ES</b>  Evening Conferences 5:00 - 8:00 pm	20  BOE Meeting 6:30 pm	21	22  <b>Thanksgiving</b>	23	24
			<b>← Thanksgiving Break - No School →</b>			
25	26	27	28	29  MS Musical 7:00 pm	30  MS Musical 7:00 pm	




# DECEMBER 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 MS Musical 2:00 pm
2	3	4 GF PTO - 3:15 pm	5	6	7	8
9	10 MS PTG - 3:00 pm	11	12 HS Winter Concert 7:00 pm	13 HS Concert Snow Date 7:00 pm	14	15 HS Musical Auditions
16	17	18 BOE Meeting 6:30 pm	19 MS Winter Concert 7:00 pm	20 MS Concert Snow Date 7:00 pm	21 MS/HS Holiday Music Assembly	22
23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29
						
	30 New Year's Eve	31				




# JANUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <b>New Year's Day No School</b>	2 Students Return To School	3 Recreational Ski Begins	4 Modified Basketball Sign Up Deadline	5
6	7 Modified Basketball Begins	8 GF PTO - 3:15 pm	9	10	11	12
13	14 MS PTG - 3:00 pm	15 BOE Meeting 6:30 pm	16	17	18	19
20	21 <b>Martin Luther King Jr., Day No School</b>	22 Winter Bi-County Rehearsal	23	24	25 Second Marking Period Ends Winter Bi-County Rehearsal	26 Winter Bi-County Rehearsal & Concert
		<b>Regents Exams</b> 				
27	28	29	30	31		

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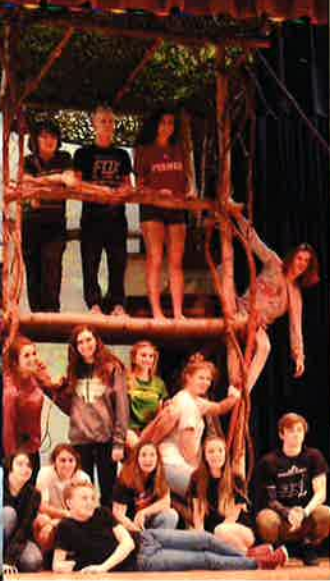




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 6th Grade Snowshoeing Trip	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 MS PTG - 3:00 pm	12 GF PTO - 3:15 pm BOE & Budget Meeting 6:30 pm	13	14 Valentine's Day MS Activity Night Gr. 7&8 6:30 - 8:00 pm	15 MS Mid-Year Awards Assembly 1:30 pm Spring Sports Sign-Up Deadline	16
17	18 President's Day	19	20	21	22	23
						
24	25	26	27 Falcon Elementary Physical Education Show K-2 6:00 pm 3-4 7:15 pm	28		



# MARCH 2019



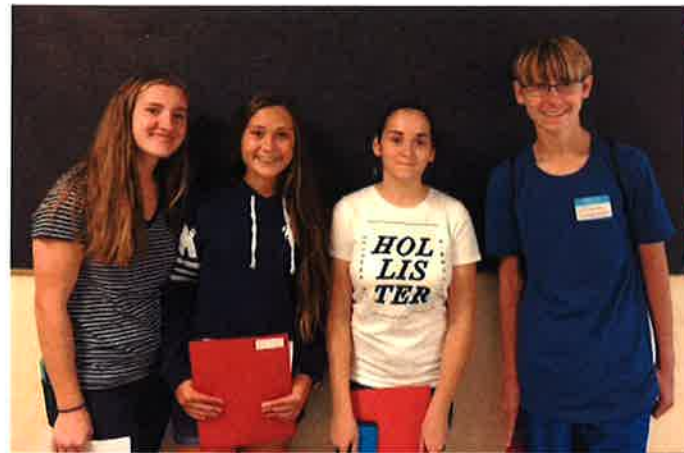
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 JV & Varsity Spring Sports Begin	5 GF PTO - 3:15 pm BOE Budget Meeting 6:30 pm	6	7	8	9
10	11 MS PTG - 3:00 pm <b>Petitions For BOE Seats Available in District Office</b>	12 Spring Parent Teacher Conferences Early Dismissal 11:15-MS, 11:45-ES	13 Spring Parent Teacher Conferences 2:45-4:00 pm	14	15	16
17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>	18 PL Spring Pictures GF Spring Pictures Modified Spring Sports Begin	19 BOE & Budget Meeting 6:30 pm	20 PL PTO - 3:20 pm	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 FOSPA 5:00 - 6:30	28	29	30
31				<b>← HS Musical 7:00 pm →</b>		



**APRIL 2019**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Gr.3&4 NYS ELA Testing	3 Grades 5-8 NYS ELA Testing	4 Gr.5&6 MS Activity Night 6:30-8:00 pm	5 3rd Marking Period Ends Spring Bi-County Rehearsal	6 Spring Bi-County Rehearsal & Concert
7	8 MS PTG - 3:00 pm	9 GF PTO - 3:15 pm	10	11 Petitions For BOE Seats Due in District Office by 5:30 pm	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Good Friday	20
21 Easter Sunday	22 No School Easter Monday	23	24 PL PTO - 3:20 pm BOE Meeting & BOCES Vote 6:30 pm	25	26 FFA Banquet 7:00 pm	27
28	29	30 Gr.3&4 NYS Math Exam				



**MAY 2019**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 NHS Inductions 7:00 pm <b>Gr.3&amp;4 NYS Math Exam</b>	2 Senior Trip Parent Meeting 7:30 pm <b>NYS FFA Convention</b>	3	4 NYSSMA Solo Festival <b>SAT @ Lowville For Juniors</b>
			<b>Grades 5-8 NYS Math Exam</b>			
5	6 MS PTG - 3:00 pm	7	8 MS Academic Awards Banquet 6:00 pm	9	10	11
				<b>Senior Class Trip</b>		
12 <b>Mother's Day</b>	13 4th to 5th Grade Plan Your Future Day PL PTO - 3:30 pm 4th to 5th Grade Parent Orientation 7:00 pm	14 GF PTO - 3:15 pm  BOE Meeting & Public Hearing 6:30 pm	15 NJHS Inductions 1:30 pm	16	17	18
				<b>5th Grade Trip</b>		
19	20	21 Festival of the Bands Concert 7:00 pm MS/HS Science Fair 6:00 - 8:00 pm <b>Annual Budget Vote &amp; BOE Elections Noon - 8:00 pm</b>	22 Grades 4&8 Science Performance Test	23	24	25
26	27 <b>Memorial Day No School</b>	28 In House Solo Festival	29	30 GF Kindergarten Screening	31 PL Kindergarten Screening  5th Grade Band Trip	



**JUNE 2019**







# JULY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

# August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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