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# TROJAN PRIDE NEWS

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## **Greetings South Central School Community!**

I am excited about the start of a new communications tool that we will be investing in, a newsletter delivered to all district residents! I hope you find the information contained in the newsletter to be informative, helpful and keeps you in touch with the happenings of the school system. I am anticipating this newsletter to be distributed to residents in August, October, December, February, and April. As always, you can also check out our website and social media outlets, or simply call the school.

Together we can,
Ben Chaffee, Jr., Superintendent

## Possible new school facility on the horizon?

The South Central Board of Education is expected to participate in a \$17 million school facilities project that will be co-funded with the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission, where the OFCC will fund approximately 70% (\$12 million) and the district will be expected to fund 30% (\$5 million). The scope of the project will be to perform minor renovations to the existing K8 building and then add approximately 33,500 additional square feet to that building for high school classes.

The board of education is also considering adding an additional 23,500 square feet to the project in order to support a competition gym that will accommodate approximately 1200 visitors, athletic locker rooms, and enlarging some career-tech classroom spaces. This additional space, called a Locally Funded Initiative (LFI), will cost approximately \$6.3 million. This additional space will be funded solely by the district; therefore, the overall project will require a total local contribution of approximately \$11.3 million.

"What an exciting time for the students, staff, and community of South Central Local Schools," remarks Ben Chaffee, Jr., Superintendent. "Our school has been excellent stewards of district finances, and our staff has done a remarkable job of maintaining our current facilities. However, with the State willing to contribute nearly ¾ of the cost of the base project, I believe it to be the right thing to do and offer the option to our community. Hopefully, people will support updating our facilities so that we can further educate students for their future!"

The board of education is considering a possible March 2020 levy ballot, where the funding scenario will include both a property tax and a traditional income tax combination. The board will have two public readings of the ballot language prior to filing with the Huron County Board of Elections in mid-December 2019.

For more information on the current status of the OFCC facilities project, please visit the district's website dedicated to the project (<a href="http://southcentralfac.com">http://southcentralfac.com</a>) or call 419-752-3815 and ask to speak to the superintendent or treasurer.

# Organizations/Community

#### **Community Day**

It is with great excitement to announce our 2019 South Central Community Day on Saturday, October 19 from 1-6 pm at South Central Elementary School. The entire community is invited to join us in a totally free day of fun!

The Chinese Acrobats have been scheduled to come for two shows at 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm. This promises to be an exciting show for all ages! Both performances will be in the Elementary gym and are free to attend for everyone. Several local agencies and groups will also be present to provide information. We are hopeful to have a few food vendors there as well.

If your group would like to participate in the event, or you can help out with the event, please call the Elementary school at 419-752-5021. We look forward to seeing everyone rain or shine!

#### **SADD**

The South Central Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) group is currently wrapping up their new membership for the 2019-2020 school year! This year's officers are President: Ellery McKee, Vice President: Paige Roswell, Secretary: Emma Keysor, and Treasurer: Rachel Bond. The officers have designed the new SADD t-shirt, which they will wear for several events and promotions throughout this year. The first event SADD will celebrate is Red Ribbon Week, slated for October 28 - November 1. The national theme for this week is "Send A Message. Stay Drug Free!" SADD will also be promoting awareness in the fall on the topics of Safe Teen Driving, The Great American Smokeout, and Giving Back for Thanksgiving.

#### **National Honor Society**

The South Central National Honor Society group has already begun volunteer work for the 2019-2020 school year! This year's officers are; President: Isabella Hauler, Vice President: Paige Roswell, Secretary: Rachel Bond, and Treasurer: Taylor Willets. On August 30, 2019, NHS members volunteered at the annual COSI on Wheels event held at the South Central Elementary. Each member led various scientific experiments at stations for the students. Throughout the fall members will also continue to give of their time by peer tutoring and mentoring other students. The officers will also lead the group in a Giving Back event when Thanksgiving is near.

SC Theatre will present Rodgers and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music* Friday, November 8, 7:00 pm and Saturday, November 9, 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Box Office Night is scheduled for October 16, 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the South Central Choir Room.



# South Central Athletics

Darren Hunt, HS Athletic Director

Tyler Lauber, JH Athletic Director

Winter practices officially start for Girls Basketball October 25, Boys Basketball November 1, and Wrestling November 15.

A current physical packet (Pre-participation Physical Evaluation,
Informed Consent Agreement, Concussion Form, Sudden Cardiac Arrest

Form, Emergency Medical form, Parent Approval/Insurance/Athletic Training Services Form) must be current (within the past 12 months) and approved by the athletic department before practice begins.

Physical packets for the 2019-2020 school year are available in the high school office and board office.

OHSAA Winter Sports Parent Meeting for parents and athletes in grades 7-12 will be on Wednesday, November 13, at 6:30 pm in the high school cafeteria. Must attend if your son/daughter is participating in a sport this winter and you did not attend the fall meeting.

Winter Sports Picture Day is Monday, November 18, for High School Sports.



## 2019-2020 Athletic Ticket Prices

Student Presale tickets \$4.00 (Good for all home events and away Firelands Conference events). Purchase in High School and Junior High offices.

Adult Presale tickets \$5.00 (Good for all SC home events only).

Varsity events at the door \$6.00 (Adults and Students).

Non-Varsity and Junior High events at the door \$5.00 Adults and \$3.00 Students.

Family passes \$250.00 (Good for school aged immediate family members to all SC home events for the 2019-2020 school year).

Senior Citizen passes free of charge for seniors age 62 and over that reside in the SC school district. Available in the High School/Athletic Office.

Athletic Booster club meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the High School Cafeteria.

# South Central High School

Thomas Hellickson, Principal

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# South Central FFA Special Recognition



Congratulations to the South Central F.F.A. Chapter for their continued excellence as they have once again been recognized as a 3-Star Chapter. This is the highest star rating a chapter can receive. This rating made our F.F.A. eligible for the National Premier Chapter Award process. Our chapter was then compared to other chapters and selected as one of ten high schools chosen for the National Model of Excellence Recognition. There will be an interview and selection process at the National Convention in

late fall to determine the overall national winner. Congratulations to Mrs. Lucha and her students. Go S.C.!!!

# **Teen Leadership Corp Blood Drive**

TLC is once again sponsoring Blood Drives at the high school to support the American Red Cross. One donation will save three lives as wells as helps a TLC member earn a local scholarship. The dates are November 1, March 4, and May 19. Please contact the high school office at (419) 752-3354 to schedule an appointment as the date approaches. Donors must be sixteen years of age or older. If you are under eighteen years old, you must have a signed parent permission slip to donate.



# **South Central High School Veterans Events**

We live in a country with freedoms like none other. We would like to thank all those who are serving or have served in any branch of the military for their dedication and sacrifice. As one small way of showing our appreciation, South Central High School will be hosting a Veterans' Day Program on Wednesday, November 6. If you are a Veteran please mark your calendar and join us as our

guest for breakfast with a special program to follow. More information will be released as the date approaches.

# **Parent-Teacher Conference Nights**

South Central High School is committed to building a strong collaborative relationship with our parents. Therefore, please contact our teachers at any time through email, by phone or feel free to contact the office to help facilitate a meeting. We will host three Parent/Teacher Conference Days to assist our parents in staying connected with their high school student's progress throughout the year. The dates are Wednesday, November 6, 3:00 pm -7:00 pm, Thursday, November 7, 7:30 am – 6:30 pm and Wednesday, January 22, 3:00 pm -7:00 pm.

# **Important Upcoming Events/ Dates:**

10/23, Q1 Report Cards Home

11/6, Veterans' Day Events

11/25, Q2 Interims Home

11/1, TLC Blood Drive

11/8 & 11/9, Musical – The Sound of Music

11/27-12/2, Thanksgiving Break

11/6, P/T Conferences

11/8, No School – Teacher Work Day

12/14, Band Winter Craft Fair

11/7, P/T Conferences

11/11, Picture Retake Day

12/16, H.S. Choir Concert

# South Central Middle School

Alicia McKee, Principal

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Fall sports are wrapping up, students are a quarter of the way through the year, and the staff has settled into their teaching routines. The Middle School is underway and as busy as ever. At this point students have many grades posted and they can be checked on Progress Book. Parent teacher conferences are November 6 and 7 and ALL parents are encouraged to come in and meet the teachers and find out a little more about what is going on in the classroom.

I would like to congratulate the following students for being selected to the Principal's Leadership Team. This is a team that focuses on school improvement, student motivation and making the school a fun place to learn. Congratulations to: Ember Phillips, Jessica Doughty, Corbin Barber, Caiden Wilson, Grant Wallace, Chloe Beverly, Casey Back, Mayson Middaugh, Izzy Lucha, Jaleigh Riddle, Mya Inmon, Shane Paynter, and Karinne Mitchell.

If you are not already receiving Friday Notes and the monthly newsletter from me please email your name and the email you would like to add to our school email blast at <a href="mailto:amckee@south-central.org">amckee@south-central.org</a>. This is a great way to keep in touch with what is going on every week at the school. You can also access both on our new school website as well as our daily announcements that students hear every morning.



SCMS Students working on Morning Announcements



Academic Board for Most Growth, Perfect, Scores, and Advanced Scores



The Flag Crew that puts up and takes down the flag daily.



Junior High Student Council

Front Row: (L-R): AJ Carney, Dylan Allen, Hunter Caudill, Diton Farnsworth

Middle Row: (L-R): Dixon Blanton, Cheyenne Alberty, Bryan Chaffee, Alivia Walcher, and Olivia Hudson

Back Row: (L-R: Lauren Ingram, Becka Hess, Sam Beverage, Carter Caudill, Kendyl Beverly, Jayla Tolliver, Kaili Ingram

(Not pictured: Karinne Mitchell and Eric Sanders)

#### **Important Upcoming Events/Dates:**

10/29-11/1, Mohican

11/6 & 11/7, Parent/Teacher Conferences

11/11, Picture Retakes

11/27-12/2, No school

12/4, Winter Band Concert

12/18, Winter Choir Concert

12/20, Early Dismissal @ 1:30 pm

12/23-1/3, No School

1/6, Return from Break

# South Central Elementary School

Nathan Richards, Principal

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On behalf of the staff, I wanted to thank the students and parents for making the start of the 2019-2020 school year a great success! We have several events, field trips, assemblies and student rewards planned throughout the school year. We have already had COSI on wheels, a fourth grade field trip to Historic Lyme Village for their Pioneer Days, as well as the NED show which had a message about being kind and how to be a good friend.

#### **Events**

October 14 Chinese Acrobat assembly

October 19 Community Day

October 25 school wide field trip to Honey Haven Farms

October 28 K-3 to see the play "Pete the Cat"

November 4-7 Scholastic Book Fair



An area that we continue to work to improve on is reading. We continue to use small group instruction, targeted reading intervention time for all students in grades K-4 as well as our community volunteer program. We plan on adding an additional volunteer program to help boost our reading achievement. If interested, please contact the elementary office @ 419-752-5021.

#### **Fundraiser**

We try to make all field trips free for all of our students by doing fundraisers. Currently, the Pepperoni Roll Fundraiser is October 21 through November 8. The pepperoni rolls are about 7 inches and are only \$2 each. You can buy them individually or by the case (13 in a case). Please contact the school at 419-752-5021 to place an order or mail a check to the school made out to South Central Elementary. Please be sure to list the quantity of pepperoni rolls when ordering. All rolls can be picked up from the school on November 20 after 12:00 pm. All proceeds go to pay for field trips, assemblies and student rewards! Thank you for your support!

#### **Volunteers**

We are always grateful for all of our volunteers; you truly make a difference! For anyone interested in becoming a volunteer at the school, please remember that you need to have a current background check submitted to the Board of Education. Please contact the school should you have any questions.

#### **Attendance**

This school year I would like some help from parents getting your child to school on time. Last year, we had too many tardy students. The cumulative classroom instruction missed can really set a student behind. All help with getting your child to school before school starts would be greatly appreciated! As always please feel free to call the school if you have any questions or concerns. I am looking forward to another awesome school year!!!



# **General Information**



Are you interested in becoming a substitute? South Central Schools is looking for subs in the following areas: Custodians, Cooks, Aides, Bus Drivers, and Teachers. Contact Aimee Lloyd at alloyd@south-central.org or call 419-752-3815 ext. 11238.

South Central is committed to strong communication with our community as we feel it plays a vital role in helping us serve our students. Therefore, we are excited to announce our new website which can be viewed at <a href="www.south-central.org">www.south-central.org</a>. The new website is more user friendly and contains important information such as news articles, live feeds, reminders, important events, helpful documents, lunch menus and more. All this information is just a click or two away for your convenience. Feel free to download the South Central Trojans App through the Apple or Play Store for even faster access to this information.

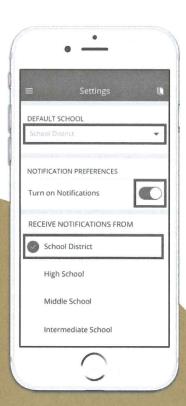
# Don't miss any updates from South Central!

# Follow these steps when downloading the mobile app:

- 1. Search 'South Central Local Trojans' in your phone's app store and download the app
- 2. Select 'ALLOW' when prompted on initial download to ensure you receive notifications
- 3. Open the SC Trojans app, and navigate to the left-side menu for 'SETTINGS'
- 4. Ensure your settings are turned on and your school is selected









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To follow along with the latest information for our school, please visit the following:

South Central Website:

www.south-central.org

District FaceBook page

# **South Central Board of Education**

Twitter: @SCTrojanPride

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 6:00 am—3:30 am

Board of Education Meetings are held the Third Monday of each month. Location: High School Library at 7:00 pm

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Christina Warrick, Treasurer cwarrick@south-central.org

Thomas Lucha, BOE President tlucha@south-central.org

Huron County Community Library
Greenwich Branch—419-752-7331
Mon-Wed 10:00 am—7:00 pm
Thurs-Fri 10:00 am—5:00 pm
Sat. 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Wednesday's 10/2-11/20, Evening Storytime 5:30 pm Friday's 10/4-11/29, Storytime 11:00 am 10/7 & 11/4, Tweens & Teens Crafts 4:00 pm 10/21 & 11/18, Teen Pizza & Craft Night 4:00 pm 10/9, Fire Prevention & Safety Fair 5:30 pm 10/12, Fall Fest 10:00 am 10/28 & 11/25, Adult Craft Night 5:30 pm

North Fairfield Branch—419-744-2285 Mon. 10:00 am—7:00 pm Tues.-Thurs. 12:00 pm—7:00 pm Fri. 9:00 am—5:00 pm Sat. 10:00 am—2:00 pm

10/7, Turkey Challenge starts
10/7, Adult Event Sit N Stitch 10:00 am
10/17, Adult Craft Night 5:30 pm
10/18, Tweens & Teens Craft Sweetest Day 4:00 pm
10/21, Tweens & Teens Craft Pumpkin Decorating 5:00 pm
10/25 & 11/1, Storytime 11:00 am
10/26, Trick or Treat 4:30 pm
11/8, Tweens & Teens STEM Activity 3:30 pm
11/20, Caramel Apples 3:30 pm