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Lessons Learned in the First Half of 2020



Superintendent McRae

WOW (followed by several minutes of stunned silence)!

I believe this IS the most appropriate "recap" I have for the 2019-2020 school year. As we opened our doors to students and staff last August, none of us could have possibly imagined that we would be closing them for a final time on March 13th. Furthermore, while coping with the pandemic, we battled the ravages of a

flood that rivaled the infamous flood of 1986, and most recently witnessed the unjust atrocities we inflict upon one another without rhyme or reason. Although it is often said that we will never be given more than we can handle, I am certain many in our school community would challenge that dictum.

We hear all too often how much our students, staff, and community missed out on during the pandemic, including but not limited to preschool and kindergarten graduation, the final days before moving on to the next school for 5th and 8th grade students, 8th grade Washington D.C. trip, Prom and After Prom, concerts, spring sporting events, award ceremonies, and year end celebrations. However, the purpose of this article is an attempt to put a positive spin on the discussion and look toward the future. Ironically, this is my 25th year with the Swan Valley School District. Given that "silver anniversary" I think it is only appropriate to find a silver lining in the dark cloud that has hovered over us since mid-March 2020.

Without a doubt, our graduating seniors have been challenged like no other group. Normally, I meet with each of the senior capstone classes and attempt to convey an inspirational message as they leave our halls and enter the real world. This year, I was asked to provide a message for their graduation video. Once again, I wanted that message to focus on what we have learned (thus far) from this experience. I share that message here:

Many years from now, I think it goes without saying that you will all look back on your senior year...and refer to it as UNFORGETTABLE!

I understand that this is not how you envisioned the last few months of your k-12 educational experience...

None of us could have imagined experiencing a pandemic that would force you to stay physically distant from your family

and friends and miss out on all of the activities that make this rite of passage so special...not only for you...but also for your families and our entire community.

However, I want to encourage you to remember your senior year for the positive things it has brought your way...

So, I would like to share with you some of What I've learned this year and I would like you to embrace those that resonate with you and live those lessons as you go out and conquer the world...

- I've learned that you cannot control everything that directly impacts your life. However, you can control how you react to it! Feeling sorry for yourself, whining, or looking for others to blame is not healthy... don't do it!
 - Physical separation does not have to become emotional separation...back in the day, soldiers realized this through the importance of letter writing and picture; today we achieve it through the use Zoom and Facetime
 - I've learned that you should enjoy the little things in life because one day you will look back and realize... they were really the big things.
- What is your list of little things during this pandemic... a hug or a handshake? Dinners out with friends? Or simply being able to leave the house?
- I've learned that life can change in a moment's glance and without warning; try to enjoy each and every day and be grateful for whatever you have regardless of its quantity or quality.
 - For everything in life there is a reason; failure and tragedy are by design. They are part of nature's plan to make us resilient and able to dodge future punches as they come our way.
 - I've learned how important it is to simply SLOW DOWN. Arguably, this is the most common lesson learned during this pandemic...

We are so focused on the hustle and bustle of daily life and the immediate access to information through technology that we likely don't do those things that force us to slow down. Like...

- Spending quality time with family
- Taking a walk or a bike ride
- Reading a book
- Putting a puzzle together or playing a board game
- Having a real thought provoking conversation
- Exploring and appreciating nature
- Just going out in the garage or in the yard and knocking out a project or two with your own bare hands

• Finally, I've learned that whatever the situation... it WILL get better and our individual level of patience, determination, and faith will guide us through it.

I have faith in the Class of 2020; they will overcome and they will enter the "real world" and make us proud.

We, on the other hand will prevail and our school community will get back to the business of educating our youth. We have learned so much more about this "business" since that fateful Friday the 13th in March. Families, school staff, and the overall community have likely learned the following:

- The "3 R's" of reading, writing, and arithmetic quickly became "relinquish, reimagine, and reinvent."
- Student ownership for learning and parental engagement is no longer optional.
- Parents now have a better understanding of what it takes to be a teacher. Our society has devalued this profession over the years, but the pandemic has convinced us that they are the "heroes" that we have for so long taken for granted. We have all gained a new appreciation for the work that teachers do day in and day out and the extreme value it has in shaping our youth.
- The importance of daily face-to-face contact with bus drivers, teachers, coaches, administrators and other school personnel was quickly realized.
- We've learned that our 1:1 iPad environment that is in its 6th year, has put us "ahead of the curve" for the transition to virtual learning. That does not mean but that has not had its challenges.
- We've learned that our schools provide so much more than academics to our students and providing other resources (i.e meals, mental health supports, and structured physical activity) becomes quite challenging in the "virtual learning world."

Some would argue that this has been a catalyst for change in the overall state of education that may have been conveniently needed as some schools and classrooms look very similar to those established in the early 20th century. While we know that is not the case in Swan Valley, I would agree that could use some parts of this "experiment" to learn what works well for students and families and create a system that utilizes some of this.

At this time, there is still much uncertainty as we look to welcoming Vikings back in the fall. Governor Whitmer has commissioned a Return to Learn advisory group that is tasked with establishing guidelines for local school districts. Three subgroups: rural, urban, and suburban will focus on the unique

needs of school districts given their demographics. Unfortunately, we suspect that the findings of the group may not be available until July. Therefore, we have surveyed all families on the issue and plan to create a district committee of various stakeholders to make decisions on Swan Valley's Return to Learn for the fall of 2020. The overarching question to be answered is that, in the absence of a vaccine, how do we manage social distancing on our buses, hallways, cafeterias, and classrooms? The Return to Learn committees will analyze the Center for Disease Control recommendations for school opening which include but are not limited to the following:

- Some degree of remote learning with staggered schedules and possible future closure due to waves of infection
- High risk students/teachers continue to teach/learn from home
- Increased hygiene measures for all who come in contact with schools and children; frequent wipe down of all surfaces; face covering; signage to remind all who enter school facilities
- Smaller class sizes and modified classroom layouts that allow social distancing
- Reduced sharing of objects
- Improved ventilation with circulation of outdoor air
- Physical barriers (i.e partitions) where 6' separation may be a challenge
- Staggered arrival and dismissal times
- Modified or cancelled Sports, extracurricular programs, assemblies, and parent/teacher conferences
- Coping and resilience: research has shown that adverse childhood experiences impacts students overall development. The COVID-19 pandemic can be added to the list for some, if not all, of our students. It is critical that schools continue this support for our students and families.

Reopening of our schools is critical to a full economic return; more parents can work when their children are in school. I think we can all agree that although our continuity of learning plan worked for the short term this spring, it must look very different for 2020-2021. While the CDC guidelines are critical to any "return to normalcy" there are also many education related issues to resolve like the challenges with grading and assessment (both formative and summative) for example.

Until we can be together once again, I encourage everyone to be kind to one another and remember that we will get through this together. *Once a Viking, Always a Viking!*

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of light, it was the season of darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair."

Charles Dickens, *A Tale of Two Cities* 1859

WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER.



Swan Valley Adult & Alternative Education

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Swan Valley Adult and Alternative Education provides a blended and online learning opportunity. All students work independently by using online curriculum and classes are self-paced per semester. Classes are Monday through Thursday from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm and on Friday from 9:00 am until 12:30 pm. Students are expected to complete two virtual courses as part of their school day. Alternative students are age 16-22 and Adult students are 22 and older. Free and reduced lunch is available in our evening program. All teachers are highly qualified in each of the core curriculum. Any student wishing to apply to this program needs to contact Ms. Hanson and have on hand a copy of his/her transcript, discipline and attendance records, along with a copy of their birth certificate and two pieces of residency are required. Please call the number listed above to make an appointment.

Credit Recovery for Swan Valley High School students is also available through the Alternative program. Students who are deficit in graduation requirement credits need to make an appointment with the principal or assistant principal to create a credit recovery plan. These students are required to attend on Tuesday and Thursday from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The cost of classes are \$100.00 for credit recovery and free/reduced lunch student cost is \$50.00.

Swan Valley Community Education classes are held on week-nights throughout the school district. Classes range from technology, enrichment, development, exercise, STEM classes and K12 programs. To see the list of class offerings, or to register, please go to our website at <http://swanvalleyschools.com>

Classes Begin August 2020

TIME	COURSE	TEACHER
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY		
2:00-3:00pm	2nd Hour Academic Success	Hanson
MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY		
3:00-5:00pm	3rd Hour English Courses	LaBrake
5:00-7:00pm	5th Hour Math Courses	Mojica
7:00-9:00pm	7th Hour Virtual Courses	Online
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY		
3:00-5:00pm	4th Hour Science Courses	Halvin
5:00-7:00pm	6th Hour Wood Technology A/B	Wachowicz
5:00-7:00pm	6th Hour Social Studies Courses	Haggitt
7:00-9:00pm	8th Hour Virtual Courses	Online
FRIDAY		
9:00am-12:30pm	1st Hour Electives Courses	Hanson

Swan Valley School District Board of Education Meetings

Thursday, June 11, 2020 • 7:00pm Administration Center
Thursday, July 16, 2020 • 7:00pm Administration Center
Thursday, August 20, 2020 • 7:00pm Administration Center

**The above listed meetings may be electronic meetings.*

Congratulations 2020 Adult & Alternative Education Graduates!



Stephanee Ackerman



Peter Blum



Donald Carrigan III



Chandler Easterling



James Goulding, Jr.



Cale LaBrosse



Alyssa Murray



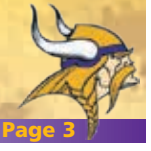
LaSaria Chacon



Taylor Pahssen



Jacob Shinaver-Baker



Swan Valley Learning Center



Swan Valley Learning Center is a fully licensed year-round program that provides before and after school care, as well as a full and part-time preschool program.

Swan Valley Learning Center has a Summer Program!

Our certified and enthusiastic team is dedicated to providing the best care for your child. With licensed teachers on staff at all times, we are sure to enhance your child's experience while they are away from home.

During our Summer Program, we provide a nutritional balanced breakfast daily, with a variety of hot and cold choices to ensure they start their day out right. We offer many opportunities for learning and fun through weekly field trips. We plan many on site activities by incorporating outside resources to assist with additional learning programs

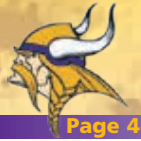
to keep our children engaged. Our Summer Program offers variety and quality care. Your children will be sure to create memories they will remember for a lifetime.

Any child who meets the age requirement (3-12) is welcomed to attend our Summer program, resident or non-resident. Hours of operation are 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information, please call 989-921-2461 or email Louisa Marx at lmarx@swanvalley.k12.mi.us

Note: Due to COVID 19, field trips may not be incorporated in our 2020 Summer Program.





SWAN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC HONORS

Class of 2020

Swan Valley High School Top 10



Samuel Lea
VALEDICTORIAN



Yina Todd
SALUTATORIAN



Taylor Sas



Alyssa Vasquez



Trent Alworden



William Lipscomb



Ethan Champney



Bridget Raedy



Jack Raines



Cassidy Palmateer

Swan Valley High School Top 20

Samuel Lea
Yina Todd
Taylor Sas
Alyssa Vasquez
Trent Alworden
William Lipscomb
Ethan Champney
Bridget Raedy
Jack Raines
Cassidy Palmateer
Anna Dornseifer

Katelyn Taylor
Mikayla Lietzke
Norris Nguyen
Rachel DuRussel
Adlar Feldotte
Audree Midcalf
Marissa Walker
Camille Baniel
Samantha Inman
Ara Nab
Emma Krupnek

Senior Scholars (No. 1 & 2 in class by GPA)

Anna Dornseifer
Rachel DuRussel
Adlar Feldotte
Emma Krupnek
Samuel Lea
Ara Nab
Jack Raines
Katelyn Taylor
Yina Todd
Ethan Champney

Presidential Award Recipients

Samuel Lea
Yina Todd
Taylor Sas
Alyssa Vasquez
Trent Alworden
William Lipscomb
Ethan Champney
Bridget Raedy
Jack Raines

Cassidy Palmateer
Anna Dornseifer
Katelyn Taylor
Mikayla Lietzke
Norris Nguyen
Rachel DuRussel
Adlar Feldotte
Audree Midcalf
Samantha Inman



SVHS Recognized by US News & World Report 2nd Year in a Row



It's official! Swan Valley High School is a 2020 Best High School, based on rankings that U.S. News & World Report compiled. Swan Valley's updated U.S. News profile page can be found at: <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/michigan/districts/swan-valley-school-district/swan-valley-high-school-10319>.

U.S. News 2020 Best High Schools numerically ranked nearly 18,000 schools nationwide this year. In the program, Swan Valley High School achieved the following:

- Ranked 3,950 out of 18,000 in USA (Top 22%)
- Ranked 142 in the State of Michigan
- Ranked 3 in Saginaw County

The Best High Schools rankings are produced in conjunction with RTI International, a global research firm. U.S. News doesn't collect data directly from high schools – all data comes directly from official third-party sources. U.S. News receives AP and IB data directly from the College Board and International Baccalaureate, respectively, for use in the rankings. The state assessment data and graduation rates are from each state, and other data comes from the U.S. Department of Education Common Core of Data.

Congratulations to the staff, students and Swan Valley community on achieving this recognition.

CUPCAKE WARS Comes to SVHS...Virtually

Cupcake Wars hit the virtual world during Learning from Home. Mrs Ball's baking classes were asked to design and bake cupcakes that would fit a spring/summer theme and present them virtually. The students in both classes came up with some great designs and interpretations of the theme using the resources they had at home. Swan Valley baking students and high school staff members were asked to vote on their favorite cupcakes based on the students' interpretation of the spring/summer theme. Although taste would

traditionally have been one of the most weighted criteria used, appearance and creativity were the virtual scale used to determine winners.

Themes ranged from campfire scenes to lady bug colonies, with some students preferring to go down the summer flavor path of citrus flavored ingredients. Considering limited resources, flood evacuations, and the stay at home order, the contest was still a success even though the flavors were not appreciated by all.



SVHS Financial Literacy Class

The 2020 Michigan Finals of the Council of Economic Education's Personal Finance Challenge.

Normally, the event is held at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago in Detroit, but of course this year they could not. Big Bummer. However, they did the best they could using Zoom and Schoology, which our students are very adept at using, and held the event virtually.

THE SVHS TEAM FINISHED 6TH IN THE STATE! THAT'S FANTASTIC!

The students who represented SVHS at the Council of Economic Education's Personal Finance Challenge were *Yina Todd, Samuel Lea, Trent Alworden, & Jacob Martin*. Congrats to the four of them!

Upcoming Tests for Students

OCTOBER 2020:

- **ACT:** This is a district administration of the ACT college admission test, open only to Swan Valley juniors and seniors. The cost of the assessment will be announced at a later date and WILL NOT include the writing test.
- **PSAT/NMSQT for all juniors:** This is your last opportunity to "tune up" for the April SAT. The assessment and score will also enroll juniors in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

FALL 2020:

- **Rescheduled Michigan Merit Exam:** Statewide testing: 9th grade student will take the PSAT 9, 10th Grade students will take the PSAT10 and 11th grade students will take the SAT.





SVHS 2019-20 Career Academic Honors

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

FRESHMEN

Stella M. Adams
 Ellianna R. Avila
 Brooke M. Bailey
 Jackson R. Beery
 Jakob D. Benjamin
 Brian M. Booth
 Ethan M. Brooks
 Parker R. Burkey
 Kylie N. Call
 Rose L. Campbell
 Nathaniel E. Coffel
 Owen G. Diefenbach
 Piper Feldotte
 Hannah J. Fogg
 Owen R. Galsterer
 Gracelyn Ginardi
 Makenzie L. Grandy
 Drew M. Griffith
 Andrew O. Grover
 Adison J. Hallead
 Melody R. Hartwick
 Braylen Himmlein
 Ethan J. Hoepfner
 Alex T. Inman
 Sawyer S. Johnson
 Karly A. Jones
 Drew Kaeckmeister
 Aida D. Karst
 Connor M. Klein
 Adam J. Kuhn
 Nicholas J. Kumar
 Brooke L. Leddy
 Claire Leddy
 John C. McCarthy
 Matthew L. McKim
 Collin A. Miller
 Katelyn R. Niss
 Erin E. Peters
 Elena C. Psetas
 Rachel I. Resio
 Adeline R. Schalk
 Ava G. Schiebner
 Kiersten P. Schiebner

Maya Schnorenberg
 Tayla E. Slaybaugh
 Autumn Snook
 Lexie T. Stephens
 Logan J. Turek
 Joscelyn R. Whelton
 Jacob K. White
 Sam M. Wickham
 Sarah K. Wortley

SOPHOMORES

Kayla M. Baase
 Alyssa Bell
 Kyra A. Booth
 Caleb A. Brandel
 Dodge A. Butler
 Rachel A. Ciesla
 Thomas G. Davis II
 Avarie B. Dupuis
 Amy M. Earley
 Nicole A. Enderi
 Brody J. Fennelly
 Mason A. Ferrier
 Emma E. Gaertner
 Trevor A. Grandy
 Alessia M. Gunter
 Zachary R. Hahn
 Madison T. Hinskey
 Maxwell D. Kerby
 Elizabeth K. Killingbeck
 Genevieve E. Kilts
 Alyssa A. Leddy
 Alexander W. McClure
 Jeremiah Neumann
 Ethan A. Parker
 Adam J. Pitts
 Abigail I. Rigterink
 Julia A. Rosas
 Hailey M. Sobol
 Lauren R. Sprague
 Matthew Todd
 Alexandra E. Turner
 Halie M. Turner
 Brice W. Tweddle
 Madison S. Walker
 Amy L. Walkiewicz
 Meagan N. Woods
 Abigail R. Woycik

JUNIORS

Nolan M. Bailey
 Michaela Bell
 Olivia G. Bell
 Leah M. Benjamin
 Mitch D. Benson
 Alexis I. Bissonnette
 MaKenna M. Dawson
 Maya E. Demand
 Ian M. Erlenbeck
 Malerie G. Ferrier
 Hailey L. Florence
 Aiden R. Hooverman
 Rachel S. Joslyn
 Zoe M. Kalnbach
 Gavin E. Kinney
 Jaina M. Kittle
 Hannah G. Koch
 Brooke M. Kolevar
 Brooke I. Krieger
 Rachel L. Krupnek
 Justin C. LaFountaine
 Ellie E. MacDonald
 Alexander J. Mileski
 Nicholas E. Peters
 Christopher S. Rigterink
 Riley J. Schreur
 Elizabeth N. Simons
 Patricia M. Stark
 Bowen Steinke
 Emma J. Stephens
 Teagan B. Waite
 Hannah I. Webb
 Jalen Williams

SENIORS

Trent J. Alworden
 Camille C. Baniel
 Mallory Brooks
 Olivia M. Caylor
 Ethan J. Champney
 Anna C. Dornseifer
 Rachel A. Durussel
 Adlar H. Feldotte
 Samantha R. Inman
 Mitchell L. Jebb
 Abigail K. Kerby
 Emma E. Krupnek
 Mia R. Lazzaro

Samuel B. Lea
 Mikayla N. Lietzke
 William J. Lipscomb
 Jacob L. Martin
 Hannah A. Mercer
 Audree P. Midcalf
 Ara J. Nab
 Norris Nguyen
 Cassidy Palmateer
 Bridget K. Raedy
 Jack W. Raines
 Jady R. Rogers
 Taylor N. Sas
 Nicole E. Seamon
 Katelyn E. Taylor
 Yina L. Todd
 Andrew D. Tweddle
 Alyssa N. Vasquez
 Marissa D. Walker
 Sofie M. Wickham

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

FRESHMEN

Makilynn F. Berden
 Keegan Buggia
 Kyle L. Demand
 Ashton M. Diblasi
 Shaunna M. Dungey
 Tyler N. Durussel
 Zachary J. Feinauer
 Kirstin J. Flory
 Claire E. Fordney
 Landon Geiling
 Payton J. Guilbeaux
 Gabrielle C. Gutka
 Kade J. Henderson
 David Hernandez III
 Kennedy G. Hubbell
 Emily L. Jamrog
 Jared S. Jurek
 Carol M. Kemerer
 Brenna N. LaFountaine
 Ava M. Lewis
 Aidan L. McKendree

Nicholas M. Mefford
 Lily Merkle
 Samantha L. Miller
 Allison A. Mohn
 Madison R. Morgan
 Rylei Muter
 Drew S. Sas
 Cohen J. Schiebner
 Hunter E. Smith
 Evan D. Snell
 Evan Toth
 Matthew R. Turpin
 Miguel L. Velasquez
 Brianna M. Waldron

SOPHOMORES

Hallie R. Ackerman
 Mark J. Adams
 Laikyn M. Arndt
 Lauren J. Bielby
 Cam'ren Brownfield
 MaKenna Fruk
 Jacob R. Garpiel
 Tommi-Leigh Gunlock
 Joshua A. Hamlin
 Gage J. Hammis
 Samuel M. Hart
 Hudson J. Karst
 Nathan M. Kumar
 Megan K. LaLonde
 Corey P. Leas
 Tara M. Lynn
 Ashlyn M. McGregor
 Jacob E. Means
 Adrianna Mileski
 Rosemarie U. Miller
 Hannah C. Murphy
 Kirsten J. Nichols
 Brandon P. Reese
 Lucas Seamon
 Dana M. Sparks
 Hunter T. Taylor
 Cameron C. Vacik
 Connor T. VanBocxlaer
 Chloe A. Watters
 Audrey C. Yaklin
 Jackson B. Zamora
 McKyla J. Ziembo

JUNIORS

McKenzie K. Bostwick
 Joseph M. Bula
 Ariana J. Burden
 Jessica L. Burgess
 Paige M. Catlin
 Joshua A. Crump
 Maxwell T. Dawson
 Emily M. Dombrowski
 Hunter R. Ducharme
 Eric A. Dunn
 Benjamin Fordney
 Grace K. Frontiera
 Avery B. Goldensoph
 Matthew A. Guerrero
 Morgan W. Johnson
 Peter R. Kross
 Donovan J. Leahy
 Megan L. Menchaca
 Alisyn R. Mendyk
 Zachary M. Mitchell
 Kylee J. Moore
 Jolie A. Phillips
 Lawton C. Pietz
 Santiaga Maria A. Salcedo Casas
 Anna Schicht
 Collin M. Schramke
 Paige M. Schrems
 Amanda C. Skentzoz
 Raine A. Smith
 Raven S. Thompson
 Hunter M. Williams
 Hunter J. Wiskup

SENIORS

Evan R. Benemann
 Claire J. Bierlein
 Isiah J. Blondin
 Abigail R. Bremer
 Heather N. Buchholz
 Nicholas Buckstiegel
 Michael J. Bunker
 Kathleen M. Demosthenous
 Jaden D. Derleth
 Jacob C. Gardey
 Isabella M. Ginardi
 Easton T. Goldensoph
 Hailey L. Grover

Marcial M. Gutierrez
 Bryana J. Hutter
 Carson R. Kaeckmeister
 James R. Kilts
 Natalie R. Kuhn
 Shana A. Leitz
 Vittorio T. Mancini
 Skylar N. Mason
 Alicia C. Piwowski
 Marrisaa M. Price
 Brady M. Przybylski
 Callen L. Reaume
 Andrew J. Rousseau
 Myah A. Rousseau
 Wyatt G. Schalk
 Connor E. Shoemaker
 Rachel S. Skabardis
 Seth E. Toth
 Gannon A. Troutman
 Dakota J. Walderzak
 Gregory D. Wortley
 Mason L. Young

CUM LAUDE

FRESHMEN

Daniel R. Armas
 Tucker A. Bedford
 Jazmine A. Bowns
 Lyberty R. Brandt
 Lucionno M. Finley
 Jeremiah H. Gallardo
 Aaron J. Harvey
 Abigail E. Keyes
 Dylan D. Komyathy
 Paul D. Maturen, II
 Stephanie L. Miller
 Jasmine J. Rodriguez
 Liam T. Sharpe
 Kennedy Strachan
 Cody Ueberroth
 Caiiden N. Vargas

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Joshua J. Claus
 James D. Corriveau

Chase R. Cupp
 Noah R. Furlo
 Derek M. Greenwood
 Chloe Katz
 Connley T. Palmer
 Jacob A. Przybylski
 Kortney L. Sauve
 Conner Stimpson
 Braxtan J. Stipanovich
 Elijah Willems

JUNIORS

Anthony N. Davis
 Hunter M. Garpiel
 Ian Ginardi
 Mikayla M. Haulcy
 Allison P. Jones
 Tylee J. Peek
 Amaya E. Reed
 Justin L. Rosas
 Paige M. Rosas
 Lauryn E. Scharck
 Andrew J. Shouey
 John R. Strouse
 Mea G. Syed
 Ariel J. Trumble
 Camden M. Windy

SENIORS

Emma G. Barshaw
 Blake C. Dufort
 Abigail J. Fowler
 Zachary D. Gehrcke
 Trenton A. Geth
 Lucas Gosen
 Teresa Hernandez
 Isabella M. Lutz
 Hailey Martin
 Hailey M. Mason
 Jadeyn M. Neuenfeldt
 Chloe M. Ponichtera
 Thomas J. Pufahl
 Sarah A. Root
 Joseph A. Shattuck
 Quynn M. Sonefeld
 Bryce R. Stevenson
 Tristan M. Stikeleather
 Ian K. Williams



SWAN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL 2020-2021 Events Calendar

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sun-Sat – 8/2-8/8/2020		High School Band Camp
Wed – 8/12/2020	8:00am	High School Registration Day
Wed – 8/12/2020	1:30pm	Student Government Meeting
Thurs – 8/13/2020	8:00am	Schedule Changes
Mon – 8/31/2020	7:30am	First Day of School
Friday – 9/4/2020		No School – Labor Day Break
Thurs – 9/10/2020		Homecoming Voting
Mon – 9/14/2020		Homecoming Court Announced – Top 7 Males & Females
Mon – 9/14/2020	6:00pm	Trimester 1 Open House – High School Library
Fri – 9/18/2020		Soup for Sweats – <i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Mon – 9/21/2020		Float Building Starts
Tues – 9/29/2020		No School – Teacher Professional Development Day
Fri – 10/02/2020	7:00pm	Homecoming Football Game vs Bay City John Glenn
Sat – 10/03/2020	7:00pm	Homecoming Dance – High School Gym
Mon – 10/05/2020		No School – Inservice
Wed – 10/07/2020		Count Day
Fri – 10/09/2020		End of Marking Period 1
Wed – 10/14/2020	8:00am	PSAT/NMSQT (Juniors)
Wed – 10/14/2020		LifeTouch Picture Retakes
Wed – 10/14/2020	6:00pm	Midland Band Showcase – Midland Community Stadium
Fri – 10/16/2020		<i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Sat – 11/07/2020	6:00pm	Rally in the Valley – Horizons Conference Center
Thurs – 11/19-11/24/2020		Hidden Harvest Food Drive
Fri – 11/20/2020		Trimester 1 Exams
Fri – 11/20/2020		<i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Mon-Tues – 11/23-11/24/2020		Trimester 1 Exams
Wed – 11/25/2020		No School – Inservice
Thurs-Sun – 11/26-11/29/2020		No School – Thanksgiving Break
Mon – 11/30/2020		Trimester 2 Begins
Wed – 12/02/2020	12:00pm	Senior Citizen Holiday Luncheon – High School Library
Mon – 12/07/2020		NHS Notifications
Wed – 12/09/2020	7:00pm	High School Band Concert – High School Auditorium
Fri – 12/11/2020		BPA Regionals – Delta College
Wed – 12/16/2020		NHS Applications Due
Fri – 12/18/2020		<i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Mon – 12/21/2020-1/03/2021		No School - Holiday Break
Mon – 1/04/2021	7:30am	Back to School from Holiday Break
Mon – 1/11/2021		NHS Tapping
Mon – 1/11/2021	6:00pm	Trimester 2 Open House – High School Library
Fri – 1/15/2021		<i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Mon – 1/18/2021		No School – Teacher Work Day
Thurs – 1/28/2021	6:30pm	NHS Induction
Fri – 1/29/2021		End of Marking Period 3
Sat – 2/13/2021		Solo Ensemble – Bay City Central
Mon – 2/15/2021		No School – Teacher Professional Development
Fri – 2/19/2021		<i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Wed – 2/24/2021	7:00pm	Band Pre-Festival Concert – Band Room
Thurs – 3/04/2021	7:00pm	Drama Play – High School Auditorium
Sat – 3/06/2021	7:00pm	Drama Play – High School Auditorium

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sun – 3/07/2021	2:00pm	Drama Play – High School Auditorium
Wed-Fri – 3/10-3/12/2021		Trimester 2 Exams
Sat – 3/13/2021		Band Festival
Mon – 3/15/2021		Trimester 3 Begins
Thurs-Mon – 3/18-3/22/2021		BPA States – Grand Rapids
Fri – 3/19/2021		Soup for Sweats – <i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Sat – 3/20/2021		Solo Ensemble – Lapeer High School
Mon – 3/22/2021	6:00pm	Trimester 3 Open House – High School Library
Mon-Sun – 3/29-4/04/2021		No School – Spring Break
Mon – 4/05/2021	7:30am	Back to School from Spring Break
Fri – 4/09/2021		Local Scholarships Due
Tues – 4/13/2021	7:30am	PSAT 9 & 10
Tues – 4/13/2021	7:30am	MME Testing – SAT with Writing
Tues – 4/13/2021	8:00am	Senior Job Shadow / College Visit
Wed – 4/14/2021	7:30am	MME Testing – WorkKeys
Thurs – 4/15/2021	7:30am	MME Testing – MSTEP Social Studies & Science
Fri – 4/16/2021		Soup for Sweats – <i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Mon – 4/19/2021		Student Government Applications Available
Fri – 4/23/2021		Student Government Applications Due
Mon – 4/26/2021		Student Government Rep Applications Pick up
Mon-Fri – 4/26-05/07/2021		Senior Project Window
Tues – 4/27/2021	7:30am	MME Testing – SAT with Writing – Retakes
Wed – 4/28/2021	7:30am	MME Testing – WorkKeys – Retakes
Fri – 4/30/2021		Student Government Rep Applications Due
Fri – 4/30/2021		End of Marking Period 5
Sat – 5/01/2021	7:30pm	Prom – SVSU Curtiss Hall
Tues – 5/04/2021	8:00am	AP Calc Exam
Wed – 5/05/2021	8:00am	AP Lit Exam
Wed – 5/05/2021	6:00pm	Underclassmen Awards Night – High School Auditorium
Mon – 5/10/2021	8:00am	AP World History Exam
Mon – 5/10/2021	9:00am	8th Grade Orientation
Wed – 5/12/2021	6:30pm	Senior Awards Night – High School Auditorium
Thurs – 5/13/2021	8:00am	AP Comp Science Exam
Thurs – 5/13/2021	7:00pm	Drama Play – HS Auditorium
Sat – 5/15/2021	7:00pm	Drama Play – HS Auditorium
Thurs – 5/20/2021		Decision Day
Thurs – 5/20/2021	10:30am	Senior Class Meeting
Fri – 5/21/2021		Beautification Day
Fri – 5/21/2021		Soup for Sweats – <i>Students may wear sweat pants if they donate a can of Campbells Soup to their 1st hour teacher</i>
Tues – 5/25/2021	7:00pm	High School Spring Band Concert – High School Auditorium
Thurs – 5/27/2021	6:30pm	Senior Athletic Banquet – Crooked Creek Banquet Center
Fri-Sat – 5/28-5/29/2021		Senior Exams
Mon – 5/31/2021		No School – Memorial Day
Tues – 6/01/2021		Senior Exams
Wed – 6/02/2021		Senior Trip – Cedar Point, Sandusky Ohio
Fri – 6/04/2021	7:30am	Baccalaureate Practice
Sun – 6/06/2021	3:00pm	Baccalaureate – High School Gym
Sun – 6/06/2021	7:00pm	Adult & Alternative Ed Graduation
Mon – 6/07/2021	7:30am	Senior Breakfast & Graduation Practice
Mon – 6/07/2021	7:00pm	Graduation – High School Football Stadium
Wed-Fri – 6/09-6/11/2021		Trimester 3 Exams
Mon – 6/14/2021		No School – Teacher Work Day



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6TH GRADE

Hunter Albrecht
Physical Education

Terry Allen
Honor Roll

Cash Ardouin
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Mitchel Barnes
Honor Roll

Drake Bastian
Honor Roll

Katherine Belt
Honor Roll

Alexandria Benkert
Merit Roll

Halle Benkert
Merit Roll

Sidnee Blank
Merit Roll

Joseph Bryce
Honor Roll

Tamera Bryce
Honor Roll

Bradyn Burkey
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Shiloh Charboneau
Honor Roll, Business Professional of America

Isabelle Coffel
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Kiera Curry
Vikes

Keira Demosthenous
Merit Roll

Romelo Diaz
Merit Roll

Greer Diefenbach
Honor Roll

Aiden Dondineau
Physical Education

Amaya Fobear
Honor Roll

Hunter Gage
Honor Roll

James Gardey
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Ian Gast
Honor Roll, Student Council, Physical Education

Beckett Goldensoph
Merit Roll

Isaiah Gonzales
Merit Roll

Gavin Grandy
Honor Roll, Business Professional of America, Student Council, Vikes

Alivia Guilbeaux
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Makalah Habina
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Jaxon Hartley
Honor Roll

Nicholas Hogue
Merit Roll

Hunter Holly
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Caleb Horny
Honor Roll

Colten Howard
Vikes

Alexis Ittner
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Owen Katz
Physical Education

Taylor Kelly
Merit Roll

Emily Killingbeck
Honor Roll

Audrey Kilts
Honor Roll

Colton Kittle
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Carly Kowalczyk
Physical Education

Elijah Krantz
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance, Vikes, Physical Education

Evan Kumar
Honor Roll, Vikes

Aiden LaFond
Merit Roll

Ashleigh Lederer
Honor Roll, Student Council

James Lockwood
Vikes

Jessica Lockwood
Merit Roll

Carter Maher
Merit Roll

Cameron Mair
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Bryn Matzke
Honor Roll

Brody McCoy
Honor Roll, Business Professional of America

Madison McCoy
4.0, Physical Education

Kendall McCracken
Merit Roll

Madison McKay
Merit Roll

Isabel McKillop
Merit Roll

James McLaughlin
Merit Roll

Abigail Megerle
Merit Roll

Lukas Mey
Honor Roll

Jessica Meyette
Honor Roll

Jenner Miller
Merit Roll

Souleen Mizoory
Merit Roll

Thalia Morales
Merit Roll

Keegan Palmer
Honor Roll, Business Professional of America, Perfect Attendance

Brooke Parsons
Honor Roll

Jamison Pelt
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Joseph Persinger
Merit Roll

Christa Psetas
Merit Roll, Vikes, Student Council

Mia Robinson
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Felisita Salazar
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Eve Schicht
Merit Roll, Vikes

Grace Schmiegel
Honor Roll

Alexander Schram
Physical Education

Logan Selasky
Physical Education

Kaydence Silva
Physical Education

Katelyn Simons
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Gannon Sova
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Grace Spear
Merit Roll

Zoey Stiener
Honor Roll

Brooklyn Stimpson
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Ryder Stipanovich
Physical Education

Boston Streng-Beougher
Honor Roll, Business Professional of America, Vikes, Physical Education

Jaxon Tarnosky
Physical Education

Hayden Taylor
Merit Roll

Makayla Taylor
Honor Roll

Daniel Teague
Vikes

Alyssandra Teneyuque
Honor Roll

Madeline Turner
Honor Roll

Maya Vasquez
Merit Roll

Cooper Wagner
Honor Roll

Murphy Wagner
4.0, Physical Education

Cheyenne West
Merit Roll

Ella Wilcox
Merit Roll

Byron Wilson
Honor Roll

Alison Windy
Honor Roll

Isabelle Wolfgang
Honor Roll, Vikes, Physical Education

Garrett Zwingman
Merit Roll, Physical Education

7TH GRADE

Jameson Ball
Merit Roll, Business Professional of America

Celestina Banda
Merit Roll

Hallie Beck
Merit Roll

Reese Beery
Honor Roll

Owen Benkert
Merit Roll

Conner Boehler
Honor Roll, Student Council, Physical Education

Violet Boehler
Honor Roll, Student Council

Aubrey Brethauer
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Demi Buckley
Merit Roll, Business Professional of America, Student Council

Carmen Burnell
Merit Roll, Perfect Attendance

Addison Bush
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Taylor Cappell
Physical Education

Brayden Carstensen
Physical Education

Nicholas Chasnis
Merit Roll

Trenton Chauvette
Honor Roll

Harrison Dammann
Honor Roll

Matthew Davis
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Erika Decker
Honor Roll

Mia Delgado
Merit Roll, Business Professional of America

Cal Delisle
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Samuel Diblasi
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Emily Dunn
Merit Roll, Student Council

Amya Duron
Merit Roll

Kyle DuRussel
Honor Roll, Student Council

Emma Earley
Honor Roll

Owen Fennelly
Honor Roll

Isabelle Freeman
Honor Roll

Andrew Fruk
Honor Roll

Alexander Fulgencio
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Ashlyn Gaffney
Merit Roll, Student Council

Alexander Galsterer
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Madison Gracias
Merit Roll, Student Council

Anorah Green
Physical Education

Jasmine Guerra
Merit Roll

Justin Hartwick
Merit Roll

Isabel Hernandez
Honor Roll

Larissa Hernandez
Merit Roll

Nicholas Hoffman
Honor Roll

Hunter Howard
Merit Roll, Perfect Attendance

Cameron Hrinik
Physical Education

Braiden Janetsky
Honor Roll

Alyssa Jimenez
Merit Roll

Nolan Judd
Merit Roll

Johnathon Kalenak
Merit Roll, Perfect Attendance

Liam Kinney
Merit Roll

Colton Klein
Physical Education

Hailey Koch
4.0, Physical Education

Allison Krawczak
Merit Roll, Business Professional of America

Sydney Kuhn
Honor Roll

Caitlyn Lerner
Honor Roll, Business Professional of America

Chance Levi
Physical Education

Sophia Looby
Honor Roll

Aliceon MacDonald
Honor Roll

Lilly Mann
Honor Roll

Joseph Maturen
Honor Roll

Gibson Merkle
Merit Roll

Ethan Meyer
Merit Roll

Annalise Mileski
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Brianna Mitchell
Merit Roll

Makenna Moore
Merit Roll

Walker Murphy
Merit Roll

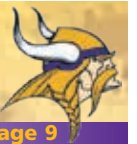
Julian Myles
Merit Roll

Jason Neuenfeldt
Honor Roll

Anthony Olivarez
Merit Roll

Noah Ortega
Physical Education

Marcelo Ortiz
Merit Roll, Physical Education



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Annabelle Pardo
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Landen Phillips
Honor Roll

Aleigh Premo
Honor Roll

Julia Reeves
Honor Roll

Audriana Rodarte
Physical Education

Natalie Rousseau
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Riley Sharpe
Merit Roll

Olivia Short
Merit Roll

Ashlyn Stockford
Honor Roll, Student Council

Megan Taylor
Honor Roll

Elyana Teneyuque
Merit Roll

Russell Terrian
Vikes

Calla Thomas
Honor Roll, Physical Education,
Student Council

Preston Thurston
Honor Roll, Vikes

Gavin Weinecke
Merit Roll

Jaysen Wetteland
Merit Roll

Logan Zahn
Merit Roll, Physical Education

8TH GRADE

Matthew Adams
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Alivia Alcock
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Isiah Baniel
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance,
President's Education Awards
Program

Adien Bartley
Physical Education

Kaitlyn Bartley
Merit Roll

Callie Baumann
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Hannah Bell
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Owen Bennett
Merit Roll

Owen Bierlein
Honor Roll, Student Council, Physical
Education, President's Education
Awards Program

Abigail Binder
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program, America & Me Essay

Abryana Bledsoe
4.0, Student Council, President's
Education Awards Program

Alexander Burch
Merit Roll

Kiley Carpenter
Honor Roll

Landon Charboneau
Honor Roll, Physical Education,
President's Education Awards
Program

Jack Corriveau
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Landen Cronk
Physical Education

Alexis Curtis
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Kenady Davis
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Makayla Duperon
Merit Roll, Perfect Attendance,
Physical Education

Mason Duperon
4.0, President's Education Awards
Program

Ava Duprey
Honor Roll, America & Me Essay

Noah Dusenbury
Merit Roll

Jordan Everett
Honor Roll, Business Professional of
America, Student Council, President's
Education Awards Program, America
& Me Essay

Dakota Fowler
Honor Roll

Logan Gast
4.0, President's Education Awards
Program

Pablo Gielarowski
America & Me Essay

Grace Gilbert
Merit Roll, America & Me Essay

Brock Golden
4.0, President's Education Awards
Program

Kamara Harris
Honor Roll, Business Professional of
America, Student Council, President's
Education Awards Program

Blaise Hooverman
Merit Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Mason Horwath
Honor Roll, Student Council,
President's Education Awards
Program

Gabriella Jamino
Merit Roll

Ayden Janetsky
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Sarabeth Jankowiak
Merit Roll, Student Council, America
& Me Essay

Elliana Johnson
Honor Roll, Business Professional of
America, Student Council, President's
Education Awards Program

Amelia Jones
Honor Roll, Student Council, Physical
Education, President's Education
Awards Program

Amanda Kelly
Merit Roll

Makayla Ketzell
Honor Roll, America & Me Essay - 2nd

Alec Kocur
Physical Education

Emersyn Kowaleski
Physical Education

Mallory Kretz
4.0, Perfect Attendance, Student
Council, Physical Education,
President's Education Awards
Program

Clark Krupnek
Merit Roll

Katana Krymusa
Honor Roll, Student Council,
President's Education Awards
Program

Araceli Lara
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Anthony Lofaro
Physical Education

Ryley Lotz
Physical Education

Andrew Markhart
Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

Dylan Masar
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Makenna Matzke
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program, America & Me
Essay - 1st

Frank McCloskey
Physical Education

Thomas McDonald
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Johnathan Meyette
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Amaya Michael
Merit Roll

Dylan Miller
Merit Roll

Joseph Miller
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Mayle Miller
Merit Roll, Physical Education,
President's Education Awards
Program

Paul Miller
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Haileen Mizoory
Honor Roll, America & Me Essay - 3rd

Kenadie Mlujeak
Honor Roll, Student Council,
President's Education Awards
Program

MacKenzie Morgan
Merit Roll, Perfect Attendance

Kirstin Murday
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Lukas Ordway
Merit Roll

Evan Pearsall
Honor Roll, Physical Education,
President's Education Awards
Program

Milagro Perez
Physical Education

Aubrey Premo
Merit Roll

Alexandria Randall
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Marissa Reese
Honor Roll

Sophia Reynolds
Honor Roll

Michael Rigterink
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program, America & Me Essay

Marli Robinson
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Jack Schafsnitz
Merit Roll

Jordian Schreur
Merit Roll

Layten Schrems
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Jacob Simons
Honor Roll, Business Professional
of America, President's Education
Awards Program

Isaiah Sova
Honor Roll, Student Council

Keri Stephens
Honor Roll, Student Council,
President's Education Awards
Program

Kirstin Stevens
Honor Roll

Summer Stevens
Merit Roll

Ethan Strachan
Physical Education

Issac Streng-Beougher
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Noah Throop
Merit Roll

Kennady Tiitola
Merit Roll, Student Council

Camdin Timlick
Merit Roll

Jewelliann Vanliew
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Cianna Vasey
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Austin Vasquez
Merit Roll, Physical Education

Jonathon Walkiewicz
Merit Roll

Emily Walter
Merit Roll, Student Council

Hannah Wilcox
Merit Roll

Sanai Williams
Honor Roll, Physical Education

Emma Wingerter
Honor Roll, President's Education
Awards Program

Lena Woodbury
Merit Roll

Kailey Wright
Honor Roll

Chevelle Ziembo
Honor Roll, Student Council, Physical
Education, President's Education
Awards Program

Emily Zolinski
Honor Roll, Physical Education,
President's Education Awards
Program, America & Me Essay

Outstanding 6th Graders



Shiloh Charboneau



Gannon Sova

Outstanding 7th Graders



Hailey Koch



Kyle DuRussel

Outstanding 8th Graders



Mallory Kretz

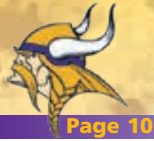


Logan Gast

Top 12 8th Graders

Logan Gast
Brock Golden
Mason Horwath
Michael Rigterink
Jacob Simons
Isaiah Sova

Abryana Bledsoe
Jordan Everett
Mallory Kretz
Mayle Miller
Marli Robinson
Jewelliann Vanliew



Distance Learning

Like every school in Michigan, Shields got the initial call to end face-to-face instruction on March 13th. After two weeks of relative uncertainty, we were faced with the reality that we would not be seeing our students on a day-to-day basis. Staff members worked hard to ensure some continuity in student learning for the remainder of the year. They met virtually as teams to create packets and activities for students to do both on and off the iPads. Volunteers from the staff distributed nearly 400 iPads to students.

Shields is lucky to have such dedicated staff to help our little ones continue learning during this unexpected time.



MARCH Is Reading Month



March is always a fun time at Shields. March is Reading month was highlighted this year by an author visit and our Reading is Fundamental Celebration!

Maria Dismondy Author Visit

Shields students welcomed author Maria Dismondy to their school in March as part of March is Reading Month. Mrs. Dismondy was a former elementary teacher and a dynamic speaker. She emphasized that students are authors, too.

Her many books focus on character building and our students had a blast!



Reading is Fundamental

Although March is Reading Month was abbreviated, it still had its highlight with our RIF Activity. Every year parent volunteers build an incredible setting in our gym for students to celebrate reading. This year was no less magical! Students got to be active and bounce in a bounce house, get a snack, and take home a book of their own.

Thank you volunteers for sharing your time, skills, and love of reading with our students!



2nd Grade Animal Projects

Students in second grade have been working hard at home to continue their research skills!

Each student chose an animal and spent some time researching and learning about their physical features, habitats, life cycles, and more! Their creativity shined as they showed off their artwork to go along with their reports. The project was even celebrated together by joining as a class over a Zoom chat! Each student was able to share their findings and artwork with one another.

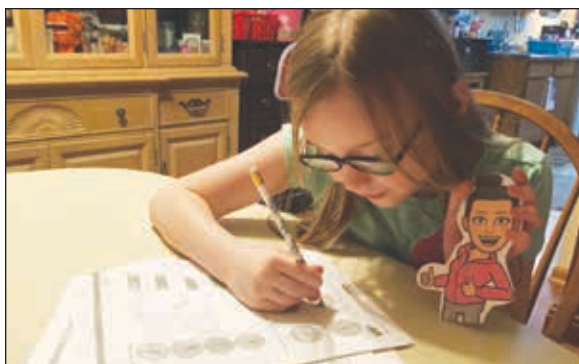
We are so proud of the effort the students are putting in at home!



Teachers Go FLAT!

As a way to be with their students, Shields Teachers sent Flat Stanley-esque pictures of themselves (courtesy of BitMoji) to their students. Students loved seeing this version of their teacher and could take them anywhere or do anything with them!

Thank You Parents!



Student Visits

Shields students still got to see their teachers (in a socially distant manner) during this hiatus from at school learning. Students and teachers alike will probably remember the moment of getting to see their teacher/student.



In January, the Watch DOGS program got up and running. The Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students) are fathers of our students who come in to work, talk, and play with students. They sit with students at lunch, take students on breaks in the building, and just provide additional positive influences for our students.

We had many fathers participate and many more scheduled before face-to-face learning ended. We look forward to signing up many more Watch DOGS for next year!



In District Student Registration

Planning for next year is already well underway. If you missed our Kindergarten and Young 5s Registration day back in March and you need to register a new in-district student (at any level Y5-2nd Grade), please do not delay and do so as soon as possible.

You can contact Mr. Jennings or Ms. Hollis at their respective emails:

ljennings@swanvalley.k12.mi.us

jhollis@swanvalley.k12.mi.us



Farewell & Thank You



Havens and Shields students and staff would like to wish **Mrs. Trepte (Miss Coble)** best of luck in her future endeavors. She was recently married and is moving out of the area.

We would also like to thank her for all of the effort she has put into the music program and for the musicals concerts and special performances.

GOOD LUCK MRS. TREPTE!

Thank You!

Shields's Staff would like to thank parents, guardians, grandparents, and anyone who helped students during this time of distance learning. There were so many different obstacles and unique dynamics for teachers and families. There is no doubt it took a village to get students what they needed during this time!

Thank you to everyone who played a part for any student.

Swan Valley Elementary Schools Recognize "Say Something Week"

In March, Shields and Havens students recognized National Say Something Week. Say Something Week's purpose is to help students become more aware of what is happening around them and to recognize when they need to get help from a trusted adult. Students were taught and encouraged to be "upstanders" in schools and communities by speaking up when they notice warning signs of potentially dangerous situations.

The week was a great opportunity to help our students learn more about the importance of speaking up and saying something in an effort to work together to make our school a safe and fun place for everyone!



SAVE THE DATE!

1st Day of School • August 31, 2020



March Into Reading

Although our March into Reading was cut short due to the stay-at-home order, we were able to have a special visit from author Maria Dimondy. Students also made great strides towards their reading goal in the time we had and they continued to read at home! We are very proud of our students!



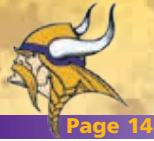
Norah made a nest in the bathtub and is reading away! She sure does miss seeing her friends from class everyday!



Havens Family Literacy Night

Family Literacy Night was our last event during our March into Reading month, where students and families were able to participate in fun, literacy based games and activities. They were also able to see all of the hard work that the students put forth for our Reading is Magical themed decorations and enjoy snacks and prizes!





Wishing Mrs. Peterson a Wonderful Retirement!



Congratulations and best wishes to **Mrs. Maryann Peterson** as she embarks upon a new journey.

Mrs. Maryann (pictured on the left) worked at Swan Valley Middle School for 8 years, and the past 16 she has been at Havens Elementary. She managed our lunches at Havens and her official title was Satellite Coordinator. Although employed through SISD she has always been with Swan Valley and also shares the feeling of **"Once a Viking Always a Viking."**

We will miss you Mrs. Maryann Peterson!

SAVE the DATE!

Havens Open House
Wednesday, August 26th

Havens Ready-Set-Fund Kick-Off
Wednesday, August 26th

First Day of School
Monday, August 31st

Havens Cookie Dough Sales Begin
Tuesday, October 27th

Dates may be subject to change based on any State requirements/directives.

Learning from Home

At the beginning of this year we would have never envisioned that our school year would come to such an abrupt halt. It has been a journey for us all.

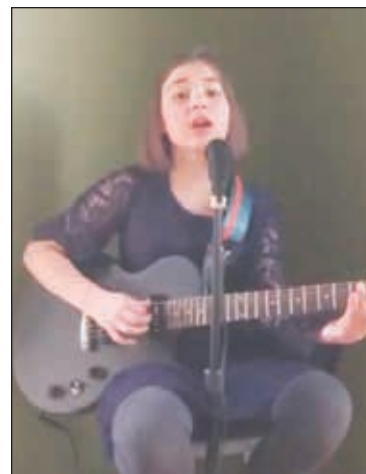
Thank you to our parents, staff, and students for helping us continue to educate and support our families. It was amazing to see such great engagement into a variety of learning activities and opportunities.



Havens Idol Winners

Congratulations to Havens Idol winners Max Tompa and Sylvie Johnson!

Also thank you to everyone that participated. We look forward to seeing you all continue to grow as musicians.



Sylvie Johnson



Max Tompa



Swan Valley Athletic Association

It's the little things that distinguish Swan Valley from other schools. Strong parental involvement and support set a lasting impression for the athletic programs. The SVAA encourages you to help with some of its fundraising activities. The tasks are easy and provide you an opportunity to team up with other parents in a fun way to benefit all of our student-athletes.

SVAA meetings are open to any member. Meetings are held typically on the 1st Sunday of each month in the high school conference room at 7:00pm. You can also find the SVAA meeting schedule on the school website at www.swanvalleyschools.com.

You may register and pay for a Swan Valley Athletic Association membership online through FamilyID (found on www.swanvalleyschools.com; go to Athletics) or pay through the high school athletic office by making checks payable to:

Swan Valley Athletic Association
Swan Valley High School
8400 O'Hern Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48609



Community members looking to volunteer to help at athletic events as ticket-takers, set-up crew, etc. can contact Athletic Director, Ryan Stephens at rstephens@swanvalley.k12.mi.us

New MHSAA Sports Physical Policy

For the 2020-21 school year, the MHSAA pre-participation sports physical requirement will be waived for students in any grade who received a valid physical for sports during the 2019-20 school year (one completed on or after April 15, 2019). These students and their parents/guardians will be required to complete the two-page MHSAA ANNUAL SPORTS HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE found in the High School Athletic Office, Middle School Main Office, MHSAA.com, or www.swanvalleyschools.com (Go to Athletics, Sports Health Questionnaire / Physical Form). This must be signed by the student and parent/guardian and kept on file in the school.

Sports Registration

New to Swan Valley's Athletic registration for the 2020-21 school year, is an online registration and payment processing platform called FamilyID. This online registration will be available on Swan Valley School District's website at www.swanvalleyschools.com (Go to Athletics; FamilyID Sports Registration and Fee). A STUDENT SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY PRACTICE SESSION OR CONTEST UNTIL THIS ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND THE MHSAA ANNUAL SPORTS HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE OR SPORTS PHYSICAL HAS BEEN HANDED IN TO THE COACH OR ATHLETIC OFFICE. By completing the sports registration, both student-athletes and parents give their consent to all items found in the Athletic Handbook including pay-to-participate information, transportation, emergency medical authorization, physical requirements, concussion information, equipment responsibility, all health warnings, and the Athletic Code of Conduct. A digital copy of the Swan Valley High School and Middle School Athletic Handbook is available in the Athletic Office and online at: www.swanvalleyschools.com (Go to Athletics; Athletic Handbook).

Sports Registration Fee

The Swan Valley School District has instituted a pay-to-participate fee for athletics that can be paid through the new FamilyID online registration and payment processing platform online at www.swanvalleyschools.com (Go to Athletics; FamilyID Sports Registration and Fee). The fee for the 2020-21 school year for athletes in 9th through 12th grade will be \$100. The fee for the 2020-21 school year for middle school athletes will be \$50. If an athlete qualifies for free or reduced lunch, all fees will be reduced by 50%. There will be a family cap of \$250. Self-funded sports are excluded from the fee (Hockey, Boys/Girls Bowling, Sideline Cheer, Equestrian, Middle School Cross Country, Middle School Wrestling). You may also pay by check or money order to: Swan Valley School District. If not making not an online payment through FamilyID, please turn in all checks, money orders, or cash to the High School Athletic Office or Middle School Main Office.

SWAN VALLEY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM 2020-2021

Check the membership level you desire:

- \$600 LIFETIME Viking Individual Membership**
INCLUDES: Custom SV Pullover Jacket. Size: XXL XL L M S
- \$250 Viking Family/Business Membership**
INCLUDES: 2 Stadium Seats, 2 Adult or Student Full-Year Home Game Passes, 1 Student Yard Sign. Note: Stadium Seats limited to 104
- \$100 Super Viking Membership (2 or more athletes)**
INCLUDES: 2 Stadium Seats, 1 Student Yard Sign.
Note: Stadium Seats limited to 104
- \$50 Viking SVAA Membership (1 athlete)**
INCLUDES: Sign with 1 Student Name
- \$30 Basic Membership (for 1 athlete) Add \$20 for Yard Sign**
- \$20 SV Alumni Membership (up to 5 years after graduation)**
- \$15** Yes, I need an extra student yard sign
- \$50** I'd like to purchase an individual Stadium Seat at \$50 each

TOTAL: \$ _____
Make your checks payable to "Swan Valley Athletic Association"

YES! We would like to help support the athletic program by joining the SVAA.

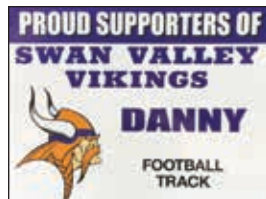
Note: Your SVAA Membership is separate from the school district sports-registration fee.

PLEASE PRINT

Name(s) _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____
Name(s) of student athlete(s), high school and/or middle school: _____

Get Your Own Stadium Seat!

The chairs are in the top four rows – a great view! All \$250 and \$100 SVAA Memberships include 2 Stadium Seats. Members will receive membership & stadium seat card to guarantee your seat.



Sample Yard Sign



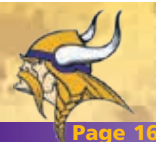
Stadium Seats

Only 104 Available!

Name of Student (for sign): _____

List Sports (up to 4): _____

Send form or drop off to: Swan Valley Athletic Association • 8400 O'Hern Rd. • Saginaw, MI 48609



2020 FALL SPORTS SCHEDULE

2020 VARSITY FOOTBALL

Friday	August 28	Home	7:00	Cedar Springs
Thursday	September 3	Home	7:00	Bridgeport
Friday	September 11	Away	7:00	Birch Run
Friday	September 18	Away	7:00	Alma
Friday	September 25	Home	7:00	Frankenmuth
Friday	October 2	Home	7:00	B.C. John Glenn (<i>Homecoming</i>)
Friday	October 9	Away	7:00	Freeland
Friday	October 16	Away	7:00	Garber
Friday	October 23	Home	7:00	Flushing

District Tournament will be on October 30 or 31 and November 6 or 7

2020 JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

Thursday	August 27	Away	6:00	Cedar Springs
Wednesday	September 2	Away	6:00	Bridgeport
Thursday	September 10	Home	6:00	Birch Run
Thursday	September 17	Home	6:00	Alma
Thursday	September 24	Away	6:00	Frankenmuth
Thursday	October 1	Away	6:00	BC John Glenn
Thursday	October 8	Home	6:00	Freeland
Thursday	October 15	Home	6:00	Garber
Thursday	October 22	Away	6:00	Flushing

2020 FRESHMAN FOOTBALL

Thursday	August 27	Away	4:30	Cedar Springs
Wednesday	September 2	Away	6:00	BC Western
Thursday	September 10	Home	4:30	Orchard Lake St. Mary's
Thursday	September 17	Home	4:30	Alma
Thursday	September 24	Away	4:30	Frankenmuth
Thursday	October 1	Away	4:30	BC John Glenn
Thursday	October 8	Home	4:30	Freeland
Thursday	October 22	Away	4:30	Flushing

2020 VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Saturday	August 22	Home	9:00	SV Varsity Tournament
Monday	August 24	Away	4:00	Tri/Quad Match @Heritage
Saturday	August 29	Away	8:30	Mt. Morris Varsity Tournament
Tuesday	September 1	Home	5:30	Varsity Quad (<i>Beal City, Beaverton, Midland</i>)
Saturday	September 12	Away	8:00	BC Central Invitational
Wednesday	September 16	Away	7:00	Birch Run
Saturday	September 19	Away	TBA	Heritage Invitational
Monday	September 21	Home	5:00	Quad Match (<i>St. Charles, Chesaning, Montrose</i>)
Wednesday	September 23	Home	7:00	Frankenmuth
Wednesday	September 30	Home	7:00	John Glenn
Wednesday	October 7	Away	7:00	Freeland
Wednesday	October 14	Away	7:00	Bridgeport
Saturday	October 10	Away	8:30	Caro Invitational
Saturday	October 17	Away	8:00	Spirit of St. Louis Invitational
Wednesday	October 21	Home	7:00	Garber
Saturday	October 24	Away	8:30	Brown City Invitational
Wednesday	October 28	Home	7:00	Alma

District Tournament will be on November 2-7

2020 JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Saturday	August 22	Away	9:00	St. Charles Tournament
Monday	August 24	Home	5:30	Merrill
Saturday	August 29	Away	9:00	Mt. Morris JV Tournament
Tuesday	September 1	Away	5:30	Quad Match @ Beaverton (<i>w/Beal City, Midland</i>)
Saturday	September 12	Away	8:00	St. Louis JV Invitational
Wednesday	September 16	Away	5:30	Birch Run
Saturday	September 19	Away	8:30	Caro Invitational
Monday	September 21	Away	5:00	Quad Match @ St. Charles (<i>w/Chesaning, Montrose</i>)
Wednesday	September 23	Home	5:30	Frankenmuth
Saturday	September 26	Away	8:00	B.C. Central Invitational
Wednesday	September 30	Home	5:30	John Glenn
Wednesday	October 7	Away	5:30	Freeland
Wednesday	October 14	Away	5:30	Bridgeport
Saturday	October 17	Away	8:30	Brown City Invitational
Wednesday	October 21	Home	5:30	Garber
Wednesday	October 28	Home	5:30	Alma

2020 FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday	September 1	Away	5:30	Quad @ John Glenn (<i>Garber and BC Western</i>)
Wednesday	September 16	Away	5:30	Birch Run
Saturday	September 19	Away	8:00	BC Central Invitational
Wednesday	September 23	Home	5:30	Frankenmuth
Monday	September 28	Away	5:00	Tri Match @ Hemlock (<i>w/Nouvel</i>)
Wednesday	September 30	Home	5:30	John Glenn
Wednesday	October 7	Away	5:30	Freeland
Wednesday	October 14	Away	5:30	Bridgeport
Saturday	October 17	Away	9:00	Mt. Morris Tournament
Wednesday	October 21	Home	5:30	Garber
Saturday	October 24	Away	8:30	Caro Invitational
Wednesday	October 28	Home	5:30	Alma
Saturday	October 31	Away	9:00	Ogemaw Heights Invitational

2020 VARSITY BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Wednesday	September 9	Away	TBA	Marauder Invitational (<i>Uncle John's Cider Mill</i>)
Saturday	September 12	Away	9:30	2nd Northwood Invitational (<i>Fisher Trails - Northwood University</i>)
Tuesday	September 15	Away	4:00	TVC #1 B.C. John Glenn
Friday	September 18	Away	TBA	MSU Invitational (<i>Forest Akers East Golf Course</i>)
Thursday	September 24	Away	4:00	Frankenmuth Invitational
Tuesday	September 29	Away	4:00	TVC #2 Frankenmuth
Tuesday	October 6	Away	4:30	Birch Run Fall Invitational (<i>Taymouth Township Park</i>)
Tuesday	October 13	Away	4:00	TVC #3 Birch Run (<i>Taymouth Township Park</i>)
Saturday	October 17	Away	9:00	Freeland Invitational
Tuesday	October 20	Away	4:30	TVC Conference (<i>Hosted by Ithaca</i>)
Saturday	October 24	Away	TBA	Saginaw County (<i>Hosted by Freeland</i>)

Regional Tournament will be on October 30 or 31

2020 BOYS VARSITY SOCCER

Friday	August 21	Home	5:00	Swartz Creek
Monday	August 24	Away	4:30	John Glenn
Wednesday	August 26	Home	4:30	Frankenmuth
Monday	August 31	Away	7:00	Freeland
Wednesday	September 2	Home	4:30	Tawas
Tuesday	September 8	Home	4:30	Garber
Thursday	September 10	Home	4:30	Alma
Monday	September 14	Away	4:30	Birch Run
Wednesday	September 16	Home	4:30	John Glenn
Thursday	September 17	Away	6:00	Bullock Creek
Monday	September 21	Away	4:30	Frankenmuth
Wednesday	September 23	Home	4:30	Freeland
Monday	September 28	Home	4:30	Shepherd
Wednesday	September 30	Away	4:30	Garber
Monday	October 5	Away	4:30	Alma
Wednesday	October 7	Home	4:30	Birch Run
Friday	October 9	Away	4:00	Nouvel

District Tournament will be on October 14-16 & October 19-24

2020 8TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL

Monday	September 14	Away	4:30	Freeland
Tuesday	September 15	Away	4:30	John Glenn
Monday	September 21	Home	4:30	Frankenmuth
Wednesday	September 23	Away	4:30	Bridgeport
Monday	September 28	Away	4:30	Alma
Wednesday	September 30	Home	4:30	Bullock Creek
Monday	October 5	Away	4:30	Birch Run
Wednesday	October 7	Away	4:30	Ithaca
Monday	October 12	Home	4:30	Hemlock
Wednesday	October 14	Home	4:30	Nouvel
Monday	October 19	Away	5:30	Garber (<i>A only</i>)
Wednesday	October 21	Home	4:30	St. Louis

2020 7TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL

Monday	September 14	Home	4:30	Freeland
Tuesday	September 15	Home	4:30	John Glenn
Monday	September 21	Away	4:30	Frankenmuth
Wednesday	September 23	Home	4:30	Bridgeport
Monday	September 28	Home	4:30	Alma
Wednesday	September 30	Away	4:30	Bullock Creek
Monday	October 5	Home	4:30	Birch Run
Wednesday	October 7	Home	4:30	Ithaca
Monday	October 12	Away	4:30	Hemlock
Wednesday	October 14	Away	4:30	Nouvel
Monday	October 19	Away	4:30	Garber (<i>A only</i>)
Wednesday	October 21	Away	4:30	St. Louis

2020 MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday	September 15	Away	4:00	TVC #1 BC John Glenn
Tuesday	September 29	Away	4:00	TVC #2 Frankenmuth
Tuesday	October 13	Away	4:00	TVC #3 Birch Run (<i>Taymouth Township Park</i>)
<i>TVC Conference Championship Week of October 19th (Location/Date: TBA)</i>				
Saturday	October 24	Away	TBA	Saginaw County (<i>Hosted by Freeland</i>)

