

## Small School - Big Effort - High Character -Huge Success

## Weekly Bulletin: September 28th, 2023

#### \*Schedule subject to change\* Sports schedule updates can be found at:

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https://www.schedulegalaxy.com/schools/511	
Thursday, September 28, 2023	
GV Soccer @ GMU	4:30 pm
BM Soccer v/s Morris	4:30 pm
Girl Scouts Kick Off Meeting- Library	5:00 pm
Schoharie CTE Fall Open House	5:30 pm
Friday, September 29, 2023 Homecoming Weekend!	
Homecoming Parade	6:30 pm
Soccer Complex Reveal	6:45 pm
Bonfire/Team Introductions/Team Games	7:00 pm
Parent Pick-Up	8:00 pm
Saturday, September 30, 2023	
BM Soccer Game v/s Cherry-Valley Springfield 10:00 am	
GM Soccer Game v/s Worcester	10:00 am
Alumni Game	12 Noon
GV Soccer Game v/s Milford	1:00 pm
BV CVS-SS Soccer Game v/s Madison	4:00 pm
Homecoming Dance	7:00 pm
Monday, October 2, 2023	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
GV Soccer v/s Doane Stuart	4:30 pm
BM Soccer v/s Franklin	4:30 pm
Tuesday, October 3, 2023	o p
GV Soccer v/s Worcester	4:30 pm
BV CVS-SS Soccer @ Edmeston	4:30 pm
Wednesday, October 4, 2023	1.50 pm
Grade 9 to Schoharie County Courthouse	8:10 am
GM Soccer v/s Edmeston	4:30 pm
BM Soccer @ Edmeston	4:30 pm
PTO Meeting - Library	6:00 pm
Thursday, October 5, 2023	0.00 pm
Emergency Dismissal Drill - 15 min. early	2:30 pm
Head Start Parent Meeting	9:30 am
BV CVS-SS Soccer @ Duanesburg	4:30 pm
Class of 2025 Harvest Dinner	5:00 pm
BM Soccer @ Cherry Valley (under lights)	6:00 pm
Friday, October 6, 2023	0.00 piii
Superintendent's Conference Day - School Closed	
GV Soccer v/s Milford	4:30 pm
Saturday, October 7, 2023	4.30 pm
BV CVS-SS Soccer @ Schoharie	4:30 pm
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Monday, October 9, 2023	
Indigenous Peoples' Day - School Closed GV Soccer v/s TBA	TD A
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<b>Tuesday, October 10, 2023</b> 7th Grade Students' Day Out - SUNY Cobleskill 8:00 am	
GM Soccer @ Franklin	4:30 pm

## Principal's Message

We are having a great start to the school year, it's hard to believe homecoming is already upon us. This message is simple: please be part of what makes SSCS a great small school - community, connecting with each other, appreciating each other, and pushing each other to make our best better everyday. With that being said, we hope you will join us for our Homecoming events!

### Student Focus

Dear Families

This week our school community focused on the character strength of *teamwork*, as we prepared for Homecoming Weekend. As we explained to students, teamwork means you work well as a member of a group or team. You are loyal, reliable, and dedicated to helping your team achieve its goals.

Teamwork is the ability and willingness to place overall group success as a higher priority than individual achievement. Those who demonstrate strengths in teamwork often work to help all group members find success. These individuals are willing to commit time and resources in order to further group goals and help toward the greater good.

For individuals, teamwork often means deferring or delaying individual accomplishments in order to ensure that the group maintains a high level of success. Their commitment to the larger group effort makes them good teammates. The positive feelings associated with being part of a larger whole -- can be highly beneficial and combat selfishness and egotism. To practice and encourage the character strength of teamwork with your child, please ask them about teamwork.

Have a wonderful week!

## Student Supply Closet- Sponsored by the SSCS Sharing & Caring Program

SSCS Sharing & Caring Program is pleased to offer to students enrolled in the district, snacks, drinks and personal amenities products. The Student Supply Closet is located in the room across from the Library and is open to students throughout the school day to grab a snack, drink or hygiene products. The intent is to have these items available to students without them having to ask an adult. We do ask that students be respectful of the items in the closet and only take what they need for the day so that the inventory is available throughout the school year for ALL students. It is through the generosity of our school community supporting the Sharing & Caring Program and a generous donation from Carla Rodriguez that we are able to provide these items free of charge to our SSCS students.

**Did you know??** The Sharing & Caring Program also is here to help Sharon Springs families in need. If you have school-age children and your family is having difficulty with meeting basic household needs, please send an email to Barb Handy-bhandy@sharonsprings.org. All requests are confidential.

#### **SSCS Student Handbook**

Parents/Guardians should have received a Kinvo message with the link to review the 2023-24 Student Handbook and the link to sign the electronic Acknowledgement Agreement. If you have not already done so, please go to the school's webpage at <a href="https://www.sharonsprings.org/">https://www.sharonsprings.org/</a>, Sharon Springs Form and Policy Page and click on the Sharon Springs CSD's Student Handbook to review the content and then click on <a href="Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment">Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment</a> Agreement 2023-24. If a parent or guardian needs a paper copy of the Acknowledgment Agreement to sign, please contact Michelle Keaney at <a href="mkeaney@sharonsprings.org">mkeaney@sharonsprings.org</a> or by phone (518) 284-2267 x106.

#### **Transportation/Dismissal Changes Guidelines**

On a day that you need to change your child's dismissal plan, a written request needs to be received in the Main Office by 9:00 am on the day the child(ren) will be picked up. **The notes should include:** 

- The student's full name;
- The individual picking up the child(ren);
- The Parent/Guardian's phone number;
- The Parent/Guardian's signature.

End of the day or last minute phone calls to the school should be limited to unforeseen emergencies. This is in place to ensure accurate and timely communication so that your child is dismissed safely according to your wishes. In the event of a true emergency need, **please Do Not text or email**- call the school at (518) 284-2267. Teachers and staff may not have access to email/texts in order to relay your message to the appropriate people in a timely manner.

#### **Emergency Dismissal Plans**

Emergency dismissal forms and Demographic forms were sent home with students this week. Please complete these forms and return to your child's homeroom teacher or the Main Office as soon as possible to ensure information is up-to-date.

In the event of the **School District declaring an emergency dismissal**, the school district will follow the parent/guardian's instructions on the early emergency dismissal notification forms on file.

If you have a cell phone number on file with the district, you will receive a text notification in the event of an early/emergency dismissal.

#### **Annual School Safety Plan Early Dismissal Drill**

The Sharon Springs CSD in conjunction with Capital Region BOCES will be conducting its annual school safety early dismissal drill no more than 15 minutes before the normal dismissal time. The practice drill will take place on Thursday, October 5th, 2023 beginning at 2:32 pm.

#### Harvest Dinner, Thursday, October 5, 2023

The Class of 2025 will be hosting the Annual Fall Harvest Dinner on Thursday, October 5 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Contact any member of the junior class, or advisors Coach Smith or Mrs. Korona, to

pre-order your tickets. Pre-sale tickets will be available starting on Monday, September 28th.

#### **Homecoming Events**

Friday, 9/29/23

6:15pm Parade Line up

6:30pm Parade

6:45pm New Soccer Complex Reveal

7:00 pm BonFire-next to the Bus Garage.

Teams will be announced. Team Games.

8:00 pm Parent Pick Up

\*Parents and students are respectfully asked to <u>stay off the new soccer complex</u>. We can use the new facility next season. Thank you for your cooperation.\*

#### **Saturday**, 9/30/23

#### **Come support your SSCS Spartans!**

10:00 Modified games vs. GM-Worcester, BM-CV-s

12:00 Alumni game

1:00 Girls Varsity Game vs. Milford

3:00 Boys Varsity Game vs. Madison

7-10 Homecoming Dance - New Gym. Admission is \$5.00.





#### **Computers Available**

If your household qualifies for free or reduced school lunch and you would like a computer for your household, please contact Tom Reynolds at treynolds@sharonsprings.org or 518-284-2266.

# Community Focus A service to the Sharon Springs Community

#### **Weekly Bulletin Submissions**

SSCS will continue to produce this document each week as a service to the SSCS community. Similar to last year, classified ads, such as advertisements for the sale of items, help wanted ads, etc., will no longer be accepted. Advertisements will only be accepted if it relates to a potential educational benefit for our students or it has the potential to benefit the Sharon Springs community. SSCS reserves the right to edit any submission. For consideration, please email by 3 p.m. on Tuesdays to weeklybulletin@sharonsprings.org.