

Respect - Relationships - Relevance - Resilience

Weekly Bulletin: October 25, 2024

Calendar of Events	
(See Schedule Galaxy for most up-to-date athletic	
schedule)	
Friday, October 25, 2024	
Elevating Student Voices – Albany	7:30 am
K-3 Morning Program	8:20 am
Student Council Hurricane Relief Collection Ends	
Saturday, October 26, 2024	
BV CVS-SS Soccer Sectionals @ Edmeston	3:30pm
Wednesday, October 30, 2024	
BV CVS-SS Soccer Sectionals SF	TBD
Thursday, October 31, 2024	
American Red Cross Blood Drive	11:30 am
Nursing Home Halloween Visit	11:30 am
Halloween Parade	2:15 pm
Student Council Halloween Door Judging	
PTO Trunk or Treat – School Driveway	5-7 pm
Friday, November 1, 2024	_
Make Up Picture Day	7-10 am
Grades 1-2 to MiSci	8:30 am
SADD Assembly	9:00 am
Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony	4:30 pm
Saturday, November 2, 2024	_
BV CVS-SS Soccer Sectional Finals	TBD
Monday, November 4, 2024	
PTO Meeting – Library	6:00 pm
Tuesday, November 5, 2024	
Remember to VOTE! Then join the Class of	2026
Election Night Roast Beef Dinner 4	:30-6:30 pm
Wednesday, November 6, 2024	
Yearbook Club & Activity Picture Day	7:45 am
Friday, November 8, 2024	
K-3 Morning Program – Veteran's Day	8:20 am
Monday, November 11, 2024	
Veterans' Day – School Closed	
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	
Schoharie Area School Boards Fall Dinner M	Meeting 6 pm
Thursday, November 14, 2024	
Grade 5 to Albany Pine Bush Preserve	9:30 am
Friday, November 15, 2024	
Superintendent's Conference Day – School Closed	
Monday, November 18, 2024	
Board of Education Meeting – Library	7:30 pm
Thursday, November 21, 2024	
Camp Oswegatchie Leadership Program	8:00 am

Principal's Message

In cooperation with the New York State Education Department's (NYSED) safety regulations, Sharon Springs Central School District will be conducting a "lockdown drill" next Wednesday (10/30). This practice is a key component of our emergency safety plan, ensuring that our students, faculty, and staff are prepared to respond effectively in the event of an emergency.

We understand that drills like these can be unsettling, particularly for younger students. Our faculty and staff are committed to conducting the drill in an age-appropriate manner, prioritizing students' mental health throughout the process. Teachers will guide students through each step, explaining the importance of the drill while providing reassurance and support.

At Sharon Springs CSD, the foundation of a safe, welcoming, and engaging school environment is a collaborative effort. By working together to model kindness, address and correct unkind behavior or words, and look out for one another's well being, we strengthen our community. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a caring, secure and supportive atmosphere for all,

Dear Families,

This week, our school focused on the character strength of Creativity. Creativity means coming up with new and original ways to think about and do things.

Creative people see the world differently. They are open to new experiences and think independently. They come up with many ideas and pursue them with energy and enthusiasm. Creativity takes courage

because sharing original ideas can sometimes lead to criticism.

Creativity is vital to our world! Creative solutions can help resolve conflicts and find compromises that satisfy everyone involved, strengthening relationships. It helps us solve tough problems, create new things, and see the world in fresh ways. Examples include treatments for deadly illnesses, such as cancer, the invention of the cell phone, and the development of solar panels. Imagine life without Impressionist paintings or the creation of airplanes and rocket ships.

To encourage creativity with your child at home, ask them to tell you stories, share their art and engage in games they design.

Thank you for your support!

ATTENTION After School Program (ASP) Families

There will be **NO ASP on Thursday, 10/31/24** due to Halloween Trick or Treating. All students will be dismissed at regular dismissal. Please provide a note with your child if they require alternative pick-up arrangements on this day due to the absence of after-school program (ASP).

Halloween will be celebrated at SSCS on Thursday, October 31st, 2024 with our traditional Halloween Parade starting at 2:15 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to line-up around the U-shaped driveway to watch the children in the parade (weather permitting).

Please remember that costumes must be appropriate for a school setting, and not involve excessive blood, gore, or weapons. In addition, costumes need to follow the basic requirements of the Code of Conduct Dress Code and not be "revealing" or "suggestive" in nature. Middle and High School costumes must be able to be worn in such a manner that it will not distract or disrupt the educational activities that are otherwise planned for the day. "Scary clown/ creepy clown" masks and costumes will **not** be allowed to be worn or possessed on school grounds.

MAKE-UP FALL PICTURES

Makeup Picture Day is Friday, November 1st and will be held in the Auditorium Atrium from 7:00 am - 9:00 am. Students need to sign up with Ms. Freeman by Thursday, October 31st as the photographer will only be here for a short time. All students must get their pictures taken for the yearbook. You can order pictures through mylifetouch.com with Picture ID: EVTW72GJN. Order forms can also be picked up from Ms. Freeman in Room 201. Thank you.

SADD'S ANNUAL RED RIBBON WEEK!

Monday, 10/28: Music Monday

Wear your favorite band/musician/concert shirt!

Tuesday, 10/29: Tie-Dye Tuesday

Wear your tie-dye shirts! Bonus entry into the drawing if you wear the one made from the Post-prom party last year!

Wednesday, 10/30: Wear "Wed" (Red)

Wear red all day Wednesday to show support for our cause!

Thursday, 10/31: Tricky Thursday! HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!

We look forward to seeing your costumes!

Friday, 11/1 Fall-back Friday

Dress up like you're living in a different decade! Are you going to be a Soc or a Greaser from the 50's? A hippy from the 60's? Dressing disco AND bellbottoms of the 70's? Big hair, headbands, geometric shapes, legwarmers, neon of the 80s?

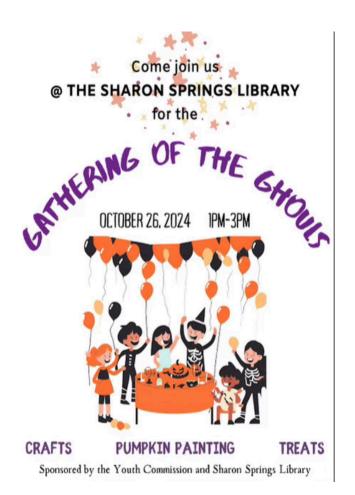
Elementary Students: Get participation giveaways & raffle drawings each day!

Middle & High School Students: Get entered into a raffle drawing for prizes *each day*!



Fall/Winter Recess Preparedness

Now that our weather is colder, a reminder to K-5 parents and students to make sure they are prepared for outdoor recess time. (Snow boots, snow pants, hats, gloves/mittens and warm coats.) Please make sure your K-5 child has warm weather attire each day to go outside so they can participate in recess. If there is a financial need for any of these items please either send a note in with your child or email mkeaney@sharonsprings.org.





AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Halloween Day- Thursday, October 31st

The SSCS Student Council, in partnership with the American Red Cross, is hosting a blood drive in the school auditorium on Thursday, October 31st from 11:30 to 4:00. Anyone 16 years of age or older can donate blood. Please be sure to eat a good meal and drink plenty of fluids before you come in for your donation. On the day of your appointment, please bring a photo ID and the names of any medications that you are taking. Volunteers and Red Cross Staff will go over the basics with you at registration, at which time you will need to complete a brief health history. The whole process will take approximately 1 hour with the actual donation taking approximately 6 to 8 minutes. After donating, the Red Cross will provide free snacks and refreshments, as well as a free gift. If you would like to make a donation appointment, please use the following link: https://tinyurl.com/7wzzpczr. Walk-ins are welcome! Thank you in advance for your time and generosity.

ELECTION NIGHT DINNER, Tuesday, 11/5/24

Come enjoy roast beef, mashed potatoes and all the fixings after you cast your vote on Election Day, **Tuesday, November 5th, 2024.**

Dine-in or Take-out available in the SSCS Coach Doig Gym starting at 4:30pm and serving until 6:30pm.

Dinner tickets cost: \$15.00 per/person

2024 SHARING & CARING HOLIDAY NEEDS

The Sharing and Caring Program sponsored by Sharon Springs Central School Faculty and Staff is once again providing assistance to those households in need for the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Season. This year the program will be providing food baskets to families in need for both the Thanksgiving and/or Christmas holidays. Additionally, the program is offering to provide essential clothing to eligible children residing in the household ages Birth-12th grade.

If your family has a need and meets the following requirements, please fill out the form attached to the bulletin (Or Click Here 2024 Sharing & Caring Holiday Need Form) and return to the Main Office no later than November 7th, 2024.

- * A Resident of Sharon Springs Central School District.
- * Have school aged children living in your household.
- * One (1) application, one basket per household.
- * You must include a contact phone number and email address.
- * Application deadlines will be strictly adhered to NO EXCEPTIONS.
- * DEADLINE to submit: Thursday, NOVEMBER 7th by 3:00pm to the MAIN OFFICE

*PICK DAYS/TIMES:

For Thanksgiving Food Baskets- TUESDAY, November 12th, 2024- 7:30AM-4:30PM

For Christmas Food Basket/Clothing- MONDAY, December 16th, 2024-7:30AM-4:30PM

PICK-UP LOCATION: SSCS FRONT DESK/ VISITOR ENTRANCE

COMPUTERS AVAILABLE

All-in-One computers available from the school. 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.



<u>Playground Access While School Programs Are In</u> Session

For the safety of our students, the School Playground is closed to the public during school hours 7:30AM-5:00PM Monday through Friday when school is in session.

_Visitor passes are available at the Front Desk upon administrative approval.

Community Focus A service to the Sharon Springs Community

Sharon Springs Free Public Library 129 Main Street, Sharon Springs, NY

Monday- 10:00am-6:00pm Tuesday- 3:00pm-8:00pm Wednesday- 3:00pm-8:00pm Thursday- 10:00am-6:00pm Friday- 3:00pm-8:00pm Saturday- 10:00am-1:00pm

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 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to weeklybulletin@sharonsprings.org.