

# One Team. All In: United in Purpose, Rooted in Respect

Weekly Bulletin: October 17, 2025

## Calendar of Events

# All Sporting Events are updated at Sharon **Springs.org under Athletics**

(www.ScheduleGalaxy.com)

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Friday, October 17, 2025					
FBLA Fall District Meeting – Bryant & Stratton					
College 7:4	0 am				
Grade 3 to Herkimer Diamond Mines 9:3	0 am				
Annual Poetry Festival 9:3	0 am				
Kindergarten to the Firehouse 10:	00am				
Monday, October 20, 2025					
PSAT Test 12:00	Noon				
Hartwick College Admissions Visit 1:3	0 pm				
Thursday, October 23, 2025					
Mod. Soccer @ Worcester 4:3	0 pm				
Head Start/UPK Family Night-Playground 5:0	0 pm				
Friday, October 24, 2025	_				
Science Club to Bronx Zoo 7:0	0 am				
Girl Scout Meeting – Atrium 3:0	0 pm				
Monday, October 27, 2025					
Financial Aid Night 5:0	0 pm				
Wednesday, October 29, 2025					
FMCC Rep Visit 12:00 I	Noon				
Thursday, October 30, 2025					
Sports Physicals 8:0	0 am				
Friday, October 31, 2025					
K-2 Nursing Home Visit 9:0	0 am				
Morning Program 1:3	0 pm				
Halloween Parade 2:0	5 pm				
PTO Trunk or Treat – School Driveway 5:0	0 pm				
Monday, November 3, 2025					
ASVAB Testing 12:	15pm				
Tuesday, November 4, 2025					
Class of 2026 Election Night Chicken BBQ 4:00 pm					
Friday, November 7, 2025					
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Monday, November 10, 2025					

Superintendent's Conference Day – School Closed

# Principal's Message

Looking ahead, since Halloween falls on the last Friday of October, we will be combining our Morning Program with the Traditional Halloween Parade on that day.

- Friday, October 31, 2025:
  - o Morning Program: 1:30 p.m. (in the auditorium)
  - Halloween Parade: 2:05 p.m. (immediately following Morning Program)

We look forward to celebrating this fun SSCS tradition together! 🧶 🕱

# Safety, Kindness, and Resilience at SSCS

Over the next few weeks, we will be conducting a series of safety drills in accordance with our NYSED Safety Plan. These include fire, lockdown, evacuation, and shelter-in-place drills; all essential to ensuring that students and staff know exactly what to do in the event of an emergency.

Please take a few moments to talk with your child about the importance of treating each drill seriously. The best way our students can help make SSCS a safe and welcoming school is simple:

- Be kind to all classmates.
- Be respectful to all people.
- Say something if they see or sense a bad situation. (See something, say something.)

#### **Cold Weather Reminder**

As the temperatures drop, please be sure that elementary students come to school with proper outerwear for recess: coats, hats, and gloves are important for outdoor play. If your family is in need of cold-weather clothing, please reach out confidentially to Mrs. Keaney at mkeaney@sharonsprings.org or by calling the school. We're happy to help.

#### **Understanding Bullying and Building Resilience**

According to NYSED, bullying is defined as repeated, intentional behavior (verbal, physical, or social) that causes physical or emotional harm to another person and involves an imbalance of power. SSCS takes all reports of bullying seriously and responds promptly to protect and support our students.

At the same time, we also want to teach the value of resilience; the ability to recover, adapt, and grow stronger through challenges. We want every student to feel empowered, not powerless; to advocate for themselves respectfully, to seek help when needed, and to remember that one difficult moment or hurtful comment does not define them

Together, by practicing safety, showing kindness, and nurturing resilience, we continue to make Sharon Springs Central School a place where every student feels secure, respected, and valued.

#### **Lifetouch Photos!**

Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures ENJOY 10% OFF your order!

CODE: **F2510OFF** EXPIRES: July 31, 2026

Redeem Now

Don't forget to order your FREE Digital SmileSafe card! More about the Smilesafe program <u>here</u>.

### **Clarion Yearbooks OLD!**

For the 2025-2026 year only, the Clarion staff is trying to get <u>rid of old inventory</u>. If there is a year that you would like to add to your collection, please email or Kinvo Mrs. Field and/or Mrs. Korona. We are selling these on a donation basis. If you are willing to donate *\$5 or more*, we'd be happy to give you a yearbook from a previous year!

#### **Clarion Yearbooks NEW!**

The 2026 Clarion yearbooks are on sale NOW! These are \$45 each... and we are looking for presales so we know how many to order! If you would like to order this year's Clarion Yearbook please go to: <a href="https://www.ybpay.lifetouch.com">ybpay.lifetouch.com</a> and enter code 6751526 to order. We are going to have a fun signing event in conjunction with the Student Council at the end of the year for students in K-12... so be ready! Order now and we will print off a gift certificate to give to your child for Christmas! This makes a great gift!

#### **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Sharon Springs Central School Auditorium

Thursday, October 30, 2025

To schedule an appointment please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit Redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: SharonSpringsHS

# **Sharon Springs Annual Poetry Festival**

The ninth annual Sharon Springs Poetry Festival will feature three extraordinary poets: Timothy Donnelly, Jana Prikryl, and Nicole Sealey. Festival founder, Paul Muldoon, and the three guest poets will conduct poetry workshops for students at Sharon Springs Central School. This year's student participants will be from Sharon Springs, Cherry Valley, OESJ, and Canajoharie. On Friday night, October 17, at 7:30 PM each of our guest poets Timothy Donnelly, Jana Prikryl, and Nicole Sealey will present a public reading in the auditorium of the Sharon Springs Central School. This event is free and open to the public! Please join us for the fantastic event sponsored by the Klinkhart Hall Arts Center.

## Pie & Cookie Dough Sales

FBLA members are selling Grandma's Pies and Mrs. Field's cookie dough. All profit goes to each member to help defer the cost of dues, conferences and competitions. If you would like to purchase an item please contact bhandy@sharonsprings.org or conley@sharonsprings.org. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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