

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

Weekly Bulletin: October 31, 2025

Calendar of Events

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

(www.ScheduleGalaxy.com)

Friday,	October	31,	2025
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K-2 Nursing Home Visit	9:00 am
Morning Program	1:30 pm
Halloween Parade	2:05 pm
PTO Trunk or Treat – School Driveway	5:00 pm
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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

School Picture – Retake Day 7:00 am
Morning Program – Veterans' Day 8:25 am
Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony-Auditorium 4:00 pm

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Superintendent's Conference Day – School Closed

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Veterans' Day - School Closed

Thursday, November 13, 2025

PTO Meeting – Library 5:30 pm

Friday, November 14, 2025

8th Grade to SUNY Cobleskill Dairy Processing Plant

12:15 pm

Monday, November 17, 2025

Board of Education Meeting – Library 6:00 pm Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Club/Group Photo Day 8:00 am

Friday, November 21, 2025

5th Grade to Albany Pine Bush Preserve 8:00 am Morning Program – Thanksgiving Play 8:25 am

Saturday, November 22, 2025

Class of 2026 Fall Craft and Vendor Faire 10:00am

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

Head Start Family Event 1:00 pm GV Basketball @ Schoharie 4:30 pm Parent-Teacher Conferences 5:30 pm

Principal's Message

As we reach October 31st, we mark the end of the first marking period: a natural checkpoint in our academic year. This is a wonderful time for students, families, and teachers to take stock of progress, reflect on successes, and make small but meaningful adjustments moving forward. Whether your child is thriving or finding a few bumps in the road, the end of a marking period is an opportunity to build (or rebuild) strong habits that support long-term success.

1. Reinforcing Positive Habits

For many students, the routines that lead to success: consistent note-taking, reviewing lessons each night, and asking questions in class, are already in motion. For others, this is the perfect moment to start fresh. Encourage your child to reach out to individual teachers for clarification or feedback. Simple acts like reviewing notes nightly or organizing materials for the week ahead can make a big difference.

2. The Importance of Healthy Balance

Academic growth goes hand-in-hand with good health. Getting a full night's sleep, eating a balanced diet, and taking breaks from screens are all key to maintaining focus and energy. When students are rested and nourished, they learn and retain information more effectively, and they're happier in the process.

3. Looking Ahead: Parent-Teacher Conferences

Strong communication between home and school is one of the best ways to support students. Our upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for:

- Tuesday, November 25th: 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 26th: Half-Day Conferences, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

We encourage all parents and guardians to attend. These meetings are a great opportunity to celebrate student progress, discuss areas for growth, and strengthen the partnership that makes SSCS such a special learning community.

4. Gratitude and Partnership

Thank you for the time, care, and encouragement you provide every day. Your partnership helps our students grow not only as learners but also as kind, resilient young people who contribute positively to our school community. Together, we're helping each child move forward with confidence and purpose.

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.

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: wbpay.lifetouch.com 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!

CHICKEN BBQ – ELECTION NIGHT

Tuesday, November 4

Location: SSCS Parking Lot

Dinner Pickup: 4:00 - 6:00 PM (Take-out only)

Presale Only!

Tickets sales end on Friday, October 24 (No tickets sold at the door – don't miss out!)

MENU

Prepared by Barbeque Delights *1/2 Chicken Only* – \$12

Chicken Dinner – \$16

Includes: 1/2 chicken, coleslaw, baked potato, roll

BBQ Pork Rib Dinner - \$18

Includes: BBQ Pork Rib, coleslaw, baked potato, roll

PLUS - BAKE SALE!

Satisfy your sweet tooth while supporting a great cause!

A Note from the Class of 2026:

This year, we're flipping the script! Due to the rising cost of beef and the fact that it's an off-year election (so no need to "roast" any candidates), we're switching things up from our traditional roast beef dinner. We are bringing the BBQ heat instead — all to help the Class of 2026 raise money for their Senior Class Trip.

Pulled pork and BBQ chicken never looked so electable!

To Order Tickets:

Please feel free to contact:

Dan Cornwell – <u>dcornwell@sharonsprings.org</u> Anne Allen – <u>aallen@sharonsprings.org</u> ...or reach out to any Class of 2026 member!

Community Focus

A service to the Sharon Springs Community

Sharon Springs Free LibraryWinter Hours starting November 1st

Mondays & Thursdays: 10:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Saturdays: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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.