

August 5, 2022

# SEHS Friday Forecast

PARENT NEWSLETTER

South Elgin High School ~ 760 East Main Street, South Elgin, IL 60177 ~ 847.289.3760 ~ School District U-46



CLICK HERE FOR OUR  
SEHS CALENDAR



**PRINT YOUR SCHEDULE  
FROM HOME STARTING  
AUG. 5**

Have you met all the criteria?

Click here for the checklist:

<https://district.u-46.org/checklist/>

### Important Dates

**Freshman Parent Night** - Monday,  
August 8 – 6 pm (Auditorium)

**Freshman and New Student Orientation**  
Tuesday, August 9  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Fall Athletic Parent Night - Thursday,**  
August 11 – 6:00 pm (Main Gym)

**Yearbook Pick-up (21-22 yearbooks)**  
Tuesday, August 10 – 12:00 – 5:00 pm  
There are a limited number of extra yearbooks for purchase. \$50.00 cash only. Enter Door #1 by flagpole.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**  
Tuesday, August 16

**BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT**  
Thursday, August 25 – 6:00 pm

**JOIN US ON  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 19  
4:30 PM – 9:00 PM  
AT OUR 2022 SEHS WELCOME  
BACK CELEBRATION AT TASTE  
UNDER THE LIGHTS  
HELD AT OUR  
SEHS STADIUM  
RAFFLES, GIVE-AWAYS, FOOD  
TRUCKS, SCRIMMAGES, &  
SEHS BAND PERFORMANCE**

Dear Storm Families,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! My name is Kurt Johansen and it is my honor to serve the students, staff, and community as the Principal at South Elgin High School. As we begin yet another school year, it is my hope that you and your loved ones are healthy and doing well. The upcoming school year brings with it much anticipation and excitement, as many of our students will experience the STORM life for the very first time. At South Elgin High School, we continue our commitment to provide highly rigorous academic courses and research based instructional practices for all of our students. Our athletic, extra-curricular and co-curricular offerings compete and excel at the highest level within the state. However, it will always be the strong partnership between home and school that defines our success. With that being said, I would like to share with you our vision, mission, and areas of focus for the 2022-23 school year.

### Vision:

Empowering students to become resilient learners to create a more equitable and inclusive society.

### Mission:

We are committed to providing a safe and nurturing learning environment that promotes opportunities for all students to pursue their passions and embark on pathways that allow them to develop their full potential.

### 2022-23 Areas of Focus:

1. *Tier One Core Instruction* - Highly rigorous instructional practices designed to foster productive struggle and allow students to engage in cooperative learning activities.
2. *Self-Regulation & Agency* - Building relational capacity to increase student's sense of belonging at South Elgin High School.

As with previous years, the first two days of the 2022-23 school year will be free from traditional content-based instruction. Our focus during the first two days of school will be to make deliberate efforts to ensure all of our students feel connected to South Elgin High School. While the activities during the first two days will vary, the purpose will be consistent throughout our building. We want all of our students to understand the importance of relationships and that their social and emotional wellbeing will always be our top priority.

In preparation for the upcoming school year, I ask that you please review your contact information in Infinite Campus to ensure its accuracy and begin to establish a routine of checking in with your child to discuss their academic progress and social emotional wellbeing. We will be utilizing your contact information in Infinite Campus to communicate important information throughout the school year. Our two most common means of communication will be through our weekly Student Bulletin every Friday afternoon, and our monthly Friday Forecast Newsletter. In addition, all of our information will be posted to our school's website (<https://www.u-46.org/sehs>).

We will also continue to utilize Canvas as our learning management system. I would encourage you to take a few minutes in the coming weeks to become familiar with this platform as it will provide you with specific information (syllabus, assignments, grading, etc.) for each of your child's classes. You can access Canvas or create an account by clicking on this [link](#) and following the prompts.

Thank you for your ongoing support and Roll STORM!

Dr. Kurt Johansen  
Principal


*"Taking The Future By STORM!"*

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| <h2 style="margin: 0;">WELCOME BACK</h2>  <p style="margin: 0;">2022/2023</p>   | <h2 style="margin: 0;">BIENVENIDO DE NUEVO</h2>  <p style="margin: 0;">2022/2023</p>   |
| <h3 style="margin: 0;"><u>Freshmen/New Student Parent Night</u></h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Monday, August 8, 2022<br/>6:00 PM - Auditorium (Door 5)</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">Meet the administrative staff - Get to know SEHS<br/>Turn in Health Forms (if needed)</p>  | <h3 style="margin: 0;"><u>Noche para Padres de Orientación para Estudiantes de Primer Año / Nuevos Estudiantes</u></h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Martes, 8 de agosto, 2022<br/>6:00 PM - Paranifo (Puerta 5)</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">Conozca al personal administrativo - Conozca SEHS<br/>Entregue el papeleo físico (si es necesario)</p>  |
| <h3 style="margin: 0;"><u>Freshmen/New Student Orientation</u></h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Tuesday, August 9, 2022 (Students Only)<br/>9AM-12PM - Gym (Door 51)</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">Meet Staff Members &amp; Student Mentors - Building Tour - Clubs/Activities/Athletics Fair<br/>Spiritwear &amp; PE Uniform Sale - Get Your ID - Turn in Physical<br/>TAKE YOUR SCHOOL PHOTO (dress to impress!)</p> | <h3 style="margin: 0;"><u>Orientación para Estudiantes de Primer Año / Nuevos Estudiantes</u></h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Miércoles, 9 de agosto, 2022 (solo estudiantes)<br/>9AM-12PM - Gimnasio (Puerta 51)</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">Conozca a miembros del personal y mentores de estudiantes - Visita al edificio<br/>Clubes / Actividades / Feria de atletismo - Entregue el papeleo físico<br/>Rebajas de ropa deportiva y uniformes de educación física - Obtenga su identificación<br/>HAZ TU FOTO ESCOLAR (¡vístete para impresionar!)</p> |

*Click on flyer above to enlarge*

### SEHS Grading and Reassessment Guidelines - 2022-2023

- Feedback on assessments should be timely and relevant.
- Students should be allowed to reassess any summative within 10 school days from when assessment feedback is given.



## 2022-2023 SCHOOL DISTRICT U-46 SCHOOL CALENDAR

[2022-2023 School Year Calendar](#)


[2022-2023 Calendario Escolar - Español](#)

**PRINT/VIEW YOUR SCHEDULE FROM HOME ON AUGUST 5TH**  
if the following requirements have been met:

- Online registration, application submitted
- Approved residency on file
- Physicals and shot records on file

[Click here: https://district.u-46.org/checklist/](https://district.u-46.org/checklist/)  
or sign into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, click more, then click the registration checklist.





### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR SEHS NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY?

Juniors with a 3.75 and Seniors with a 3.5 GPA are academically eligible to apply for National Honor Society. Applications will be sent as a Google Form to *student emails* during the week of August 22 and will be due by August 29. Students will show how they serve and their leadership roles on the application. Information about acceptance will be sent via email around the third week of September. The Induction Ceremony will take place at 7 PM on October 3.

## SEHS SCHOOL PICTURES



**August 9th** - Picture Day for Freshman during freshman orientation.

**August 24** -9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade picture day (freshman who did not attend orientation)

**August 25** – 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade picture day.

After picture day, you will be able to select your photo for the yearbook and purchase print. Please remember if you do not select a photo for the yearbook, one will be selected for you. All orders will be delivered to your home.

To view and order photos from Picture Day: You'll receive an email when your images are ready to view online. Or, you can search for them at

<https://www.vipis.com/group/6714c841/south-elgin-high-school> shortly after photos are taken. If you need further assistance, contact VIP at [support@vipis.com](mailto:support@vipis.com).

### SENIORS

For those seniors that would like to schedule a portrait sitting at SEHS, you will need an appointment from VIP for any of the following dates/times: October 11, 12, 13, & from 3:30 – 8:00 pm. [Click here](#) to make your appointment.



### LOCKER INFORMATION

Your student's locker number and combination are listed on their schedule. Please be sure to have your student bring their locker information on the first day of school. Unfortunately, due to circumstances, we will need to have some siblings share lockers temporarily at the start of the school year. As lockers become available we will contact your student directly and assign them their own locker.



### STUDENT CHROMEBOOKS

**Just a reminder for students to charge their chromebooks and make sure they are in working order before the first day of school.**

**Technical issues** – Contact the U-46 helpdesk – 847-888-5000 X4295

**Chromebook Issues** - (Device will not turn on, battery not working) – SEHS Main Office

**New Students to School Dist. U-46 who will be attending SEHS** – Once you are registered, you may call or email Beth Brands ([bethbrands@u-46.org](mailto:bethbrands@u-46.org)) for an appointment to pick up your chromebook at South Elgin High School before the first day of school. (847-289-3760 x3762)

### PARKING PERMIT SALES - JUNIORS AND SENIORS

If you were unable to purchase a parking permit this week, you can visit SEHS on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. It will be the last chance to get a parking permit if you want to drive and park on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school.



Please bring a printed copy of your driver's license, copy of your insurance card, check or cash bills \$20 or lower (\$100 fee) and parking form completely filled out.

[CLICK HERE FOR STUDENT PARKING PERMIT APPLICATION AND PARKING LOT MAP](#)

## Nurse's Office Notes

School District U-46 will be resuming our normal first day exclusion for the 22-23 school year. There will be no exceptions or grace periods. Students must meet the following requirements to start school on Tuesday, August 16.

- **Seniors** are required to show proof of having received two Meningococcal vaccines (MCV4).
- **All incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders** and new students must turn in a current physical.

If you have any questions, please contact our Health Office at 847-289-3760 X3642 or [debramianowski@u-46.org](mailto:debramianowski@u-46.org).

### Student Services – Guidance

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| Kira Mocon        | Associate Principal | X3663 |
| Karen Lawson      | Admin. Asst.        | X3803 |
| Veronica Realzola | Registrar           | X3690 |

### School Counselors

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|--------|---------------------|-------|
| A-Cald | Farah Silverberg    | x3364 |
| Cale-E | Sarah Perez         | x3399 |
| F-He   | Jessica Cullinane   | x3325 |
| Hi-Le  | Chris Boden         | x3336 |
| Lf-Ne  | Elizabeth Jovanovic | x3247 |
| Nf-Rob | Jaclynn Powell      | x3610 |
| Roc-S  | Andrew Holmes       | x3477 |
| T-Z    | Dominique Zewde     | x3460 |

### Social Workers

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| A-E      | Mike Grondin      | x3703 |
| F-Le     | Genevieve Hebeke  | x3056 |
| Roc-Z    | Megan Quinn       | x3385 |
| Lf - Rob | Gianna Villanueva | X3489 |

*Want more information about social work services at our school? Please visit us at the [South Elgin U-46 website](#), under the Student Services tab in Guidance.*

## Counselor's Corner

Student schedules are now visible in Infinite Campus for families who have completed the registration process, up-to-date residency, and have turned in health requirements.

- [Click here](#) to view your schedule.
- Forgot your username/password? [Click here](#).
- Can't access your schedule yet? [Click here](#) to verify what you need to complete for the registration process.

As a reminder, please click here to review the [SEHS Schedule Change Guidelines](#). No student/parent-initiated course request changes (dropping one course and adding another in its place) will be made after June 1<sup>st</sup> unless there is a documented health or safety reason for the change or a scheduling error was made by school personnel. If there are any questions, please contact your student's School Counselor directly. School Counselors return from summer break on Wednesday, August 10 and will return your message as soon as possible after that time.

**Please be sure to verify your schedule on Infinite Campus on Tuesday, 8/16, prior to your first class to access the most accurate version.**

Welcome back!

## Student Services

Welcome back to the 2022-23 school year! I am excited to return as the Assistant Principal of Student Services for a 4th year. The Student Services department works together to ensure that individual students have access to academic and social emotional supports.

Please note that parents and students will have the opportunity to participate in IEP meetings & 504 meetings in-person this year. If you benefit from the option of a Zoom meeting or teleconference, we are able to host these meetings too. Just let your child's case manager or counselor know.

In order to receive College Board accommodations, parents are required to sign a consent form. You can look for a copy to come home with your child by the end of August.

I look forward to working with everyone this year!

Lauren Stewart  
Assistant Principal, Student Services



Athletics website:  
<http://il.8to18.com/sehs>

**Thanks** to those who have shopped with the Mobile App from 8to18, we are getting a check, the more you use it the more we make. Please take 1 minute and **DOWNLOAD** the Benefit Mobile app (for [iPhone](#) or [for Android](#)) – it's your school's New + Free 8to18 Athletics Fundraiser.

**1) DOWNLOAD** app. **2) SELECT** your school, and when shopping, **3) USE IT** by purchasing digital gift cards in seconds on your phone and checking out with them. A % of the gift card amount directly supports your child's athletics program. Super easy and no cost to you!

## Athletics

Welcome Back Storm Nation!!!!!! The Athletic Department is extremely excited for the start of the school year! Fall sports begin on August 8<sup>th</sup> and all students must be registered on our athletics website and have a current physical on file. The fall sports that we offer are: Boys and Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Girls Swimming and Diving, Girls Tennis, and Girls Volleyball. To register or find more information please visit our athletic website, <https://il.8to18.com/sehs/>. Our annual Taste Under the Lights event will be held at SEHS on August 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Come out and enjoy a night under the lights with scrimmages from all of our fall sports. Food Trucks will be available throughout the evening as well. There will be performances by Cheerleaders, Dance Team and the Storm Marching Band. Apparel will also be available for purchase. Also, we need your help, and the easiest way to do this is become a SEHS booster member. Please visit the booster's website, <https://www.sehsboosters.com/>, for all information and how to become a member. The SEHS athletic community could not function without the support and help of our parents and community members and we are always looking for new members. Please help us make a great experience for your student athlete. Also, please make sure you follow us on twitter, Instagram and Facebook at @sehssports for all up to date information and as always ROLL STORM!



School success starts  
with attendance

**847-289-3760**  
**Attendance x3365**  
**Early Release x3764**

*When leaving a message, please  
include student's ID number and last  
name.*

## From the Attendance Office

1. If your student will be absent all day or late to school, please contact the attendance office at 847-289-3760, option 2 or extension **3365** to report the absence or late arrival.
2. If there is a conflict with your student being marked absent for one period, please have your student contact that teacher for the correction.
3. Students are not allowed to excuse their absences.
4. For early release, please call 847-289-3760, option 3 or extension **3764**. We would appreciate notification at least one hour prior to the release time.

## Dean's Office

Welcome back **STORM** families to the 22/23 school year. Here are a few reminders about some topics you need to know.

### Student ID Cards:

Students will receive new identification cards during the first week of school.

**In accordance with Board Policy, all students will be required to wear their ID's around their neck throughout the duration of the school day.**

### Entry Points to School:

**Students** entering South Elgin High School must enter through the following locations:

Door #24 - Bus Students

Door #1 – All students must enter door #1 and show their ID upon entering with the exception of the bus students who will enter at Door #24.

\*South Elgin High School is a closed campus. Students will not be permitted to leave during the school day unless they have permission from the attendance office.

### Student Dress Expectations:

Disruptive clothing or appearance occurs when a student's clothing distracts from or interferes with the educational process. For a more specific list of expectations, please refer to the student code of conduct.

**Bus Transportation:**

Students will be able to view their bus assignment under the transportation tab in Infinite Campus next week. For specific questions on transportation, please contact the bus company at 847-888-5095.

**Student Attendance:**

ABSENCES/TRUANCY: You must attend all classes and study halls unless your absence is authorized by the Dean, the Assistant Principal, or Principal. Not only is daily attendance required by law, but it is also essential for the successful completion of your courses. The most common cause of academic failure is absence. An unauthorized absence for part or all of a school day constitutes truancy. FAILURE TO REPORT AN ABSENCE IN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS MAY RESULT IN AN AUTOMATIC UNAUTHORIZED ABSENCE.

**Student Behavior Expectations:**

South Elgin High School considers it best practice for students to be engaged in a rigorous academic setting. Our mission is to provide a safe and nurturing learning environment that promotes opportunities for all students to pursue their passions and embark on pathways that allow them to develop their full potential. We take deliberate steps to create a positive school climate in which every student can learn, fully engage in a rigorous curriculum, and feel safe, nurtured, and welcomed. We use a progressive discipline approach that emphasizes restorative practices, a focus on relationship. For a specific list of rules and expectations, please see the code of conduct.

**SEHS PARKING LOT TRAFFIC FLOW INFORMATION**

Please [click here](#) to access the traffic pattern that will need to be followed starting Tuesday, August 16 for those students being dropped off, driving to school or being picked up at school.

We have been working with South Elgin Police Department to adjust the traffic pattern when exiting the parking lot. As soon as we can secure signage from the village, exits will be right turn only during drop off and pick up times. More information will be shared in upcoming Friday Forecasts.

Please know that there is minimal traffic between 7:00 am – 7:25 am so it would be helpful to arrive early to avoid congestion.

**As a reminder, all students being dropped off or driving to school must enter through Door #1 by the flag pole. Bus riders will enter through Door #24 in the back of the building.**

**YEARBOOKS**  
*are here!*

If you ordered a yearbook for the 21-22 school year, yearbooks will be available on Tuesday, August 9 (Door #1, Main Entrance) from 12:00 – 5:00 pm. Extra yearbooks are available for \$50.0 each, first come, first served.

**TASTE UNDER THE LIGHTS**

**2022 WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATION**  
OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS, FAMILIES, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY

**WHEN**  
August 19  
4:30-9pm

**WHERE**  
South Elgin HS

**FEATURING • Food Trucks • Free Give-a-ways • Fall Sports Scrimmages • Performance from SEHS Band**

## Great Things Happening at South Elgin High School!

### FRESHMAN CONNECTION

During the week of July 18, South Elgin High School welcomed roughly 200 students for Freshmen Connection. Student mentors and teachers led student activities where our Freshmen students could connect with one another and the building. We look forward to welcoming all our Freshmen in August.



## SOUTH ELGIN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



South Elgin High School Football Team Courtesy of Jacob Funk - Chicago Bears

This year, the South Elgin High School football team placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the Nike 11-On tournament. Out of the 16 high schools that participated and were awarded \$1,000 by the Bears to fund the SEHS football program.  
**#sehsproud!**