

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



Dear Storm Families,

After all we have gone through this year, it's hard to believe that this will be the final Friday Forecast of the 2021-22 school year. While this year presented many challenges, I can't begin to tell you how proud I am of our students. Their perseverance and adaptability during these difficult times is to be commended. With that being said, I also want to ensure all of our students continue to stay focused and finish the final three weeks of school as strong as they started this school year. The focus of this month's letter will be devoted to our Seniors and the various events taking place up through our Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 28, 2022.

Senior Reminders:

Prom - Prom will be held at the Schaumburg Renaissance this evening (Friday, May 6). Please know that tickets are no longer available and walk-ups will not be permitted to enter the dance. As a reminder, students will need to arrive by 6:45 p.m. and will not be permitted to leave until 10:00 p.m. Backpacks and bags are not permitted, and purses are subject to search upon entry. We are looking forward to a wonderful evening and celebrating our first full Prom in three years! Click <u>HERE</u> for additional information regarding Prom.

Yard Sign & Grad Pack Pick-Up - On Friday, May 13 we will be hosting a yard sign and grad pack pick-up immediately after school in the 'A' parking lot (located near the Auditorium). Every student will be receiving a yard sign, senior gift, name card for graduation, mask, and graduation information. There will be food trucks and music to celebrate our Seniors!

Senior Recognition - The Senior Recognition Ceremony will take place on Monday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the football stadium at South Elgin High School. We wanted to host this event outside so as not to limit the number of family members attending. However, should there be inclimate weather preventing us from having this event outside, then we will shift the ceremony to the gymnasium. Please know this event is by invitation only.

Graduation Rehearsal and Commencement Ceremony - Graduation rehearsal will take place on Friday, May 27. Please know this is a full day of attendance for all students. On this day, Seniors will be dismissed after their 6th period class to participate in the **required** rehearsal, which will be conducted in our gymnasium. Graduation will take place on Saturday, May 28 at the NOW Arena at 11:00 a.m. All graduates need to arrive at the arena at 10:15 a.m. and enter through Door #11. Additional details will be provided during the Graduation Rehearsal.

Diploma Pick-Up & Textbook/Chromebook Drop Off - Graduates will need to enter through Door #51 on Tuesday, May 31 between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. All district-owned equipment and textbooks need to be returned in order to receive their diploma.

*End of the year pranks will not be tolerated. Students who choose to engage in this type of activity will be subject to disciplinary action, which may result in losing the privilege of walking at graduation.

Dr. Kurt Johansen Principal "Taking The Future By STORM"

22/23 Course Schedules

Beginning on Monday, 5/23, students will be able to login to the Infinite Campus Portal to review scheduled courses for the upcoming school year. (instructions are available <u>here</u>).

School counselors will be available during lunch periods on 5/24 & 5/25 to make adjustments if needed or students can reach out individually to make an appointment. In accordance with U-46 district policy, all requests to make changes must be made by June 1st. Please refer to the <u>SEHS Schedule Change Policy</u>.

ATTENTION TRANSITION FAMILIES

Transition Prom is Thursday, May 12 from 3:30 – 5:30 pm. Contact your student's case manager for more information. Transition Recognition Ceremony is on Friday, May 20 in the SEHS Auditorium at 11:30 a.m.





As the school year winds down it is never too late to try to bring up your grades for math or science. Peer tutors are available to help students with their graduation required classes in math and science just by dropping in to the library before school (7:00 to 7:30 am) on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. A wonderful group of students will be available before school to help with Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2 as well as Biology and Chemistry. Stop in to get some help! Be sure you have formative work or a worksheet from the class to work on with one of the tutors.

<u>Before School Peer Tutoring will end for the semester on May 12th.</u> After May 12th, students would need to contact their teacher.



INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL DROP OFF AND SENIOR DIPLOMA PICK UP TUESDAY, MAY 31 - 8:00 AM – 11:00 PM

SENIORS	FRESHMAN, SOPHOMORES, AND JUNIORS
We will be collecting chromebooks and chargers, instructional materials such as, classroom textbooks, library books, calculators, supplies from Art Class, cameras, equipment from Beacon, polar watches or any SEHS property that needs to be returned. Diploma pick-up - A U-46 School ID, driver's license or picture identification is required to pick up your diploma.	Freshman, Sophomore and Junior students will have the opportunity to drop off school instructional materials, such as classroom textbooks, library books, calculators, supplies from art class, cameras from photography, and/or Beacon Academy equipment.



Nurse's Office News

ATTENTION PARENTS

The Nurses' Office will be following U46 guidelines for first day exclusion for the Fall 2022-2023 school year. This means that students who are not compliant with the State of Illinois vaccination and school physical requirements will be excluded the first day of school and not be allowed to return until medical proof of the required vaccinations or physical is received by the Nurse's Office. Medical proof would include a vaccination card with doctor's office phone number, address, and signature listed with the required vaccination. Proof of physicals would be a completed Illinois Department of Public Health School Physical form or a Dental Exam form (if necessary), with date and healthcare provider signature.

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

-Vaccinations:

-Records of vaccinations required by the State of Illinois for entry into current and previous grades (Kindergarten, 6th grade, 9th grade, 12TH grade).

-9th grade requires records of all vaccinations required in previous grades

-11th grade entry requires one dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine

-12th grade entry requires two doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (first dose is usually administered between 6th and 11th grades). Only one dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine is required for entry into 12th grade if the first dose was received at 16 years of age or older

-School Physicals/Examinations:

-9th grade requires a school physical with documentation of all vaccinations required by the State of Illinois, and a dental examination

-Sports Physicals:

A yearly sports physical is required for all athletes to participate in school sponsored athletic programs. The required physical exam for 9th graders can also be used as a sports physical. However, a sports physical cannot be used as a school physical examination. Sports physicals are good for 395 days from the date of the physical * *All information subject to change per any changes made by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education

Water in School:

Dear Parents, as the weather becomes warmer, please remind your students to carry a water bottle to school. Water is also available for \$1.00 during passing periods in the Main Office period courtesy of the HOSA students.

Respectfully, The Nurses' Office

Guidance Counselors

A-Cald	Farrah Silverberg	x3364
Cale-E	Dana Palermo	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

A-G	Mike Grondin	x3703
H-O	Genevieve Hebeka	x3056
P-Z	Giana Bobka	x3385

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH

Attention all families: If you think you may qualify for free or reduced lunch, please make sure to apply. There are more benefits to qualifying than free breakfast and lunch. Families that qualify may also qualify for Driver's Education, Athletic fees, Caps and Gowns, AP and SAT/ACT fee waivers, and college applications. Families have to apply each school year.

Click <u>here</u> to apply.

SUMMER SCHOOL and SUMMER PROGRAM INFORMATION

Summer school classes will be held at Larkin High School Mon-Thurs from 8AM-2PM on the following dates:

June 8th - 23rd (Session 1) June 27th - July 14th (Session 2)

There are no fees for Summer School and transportation is available. Registration is now open! Click here to register for summer school. Space is limited therefore do not wait to register.

COLLEGE JUMPSTART

College Jumpstart is a three-day voluntary and in-person program that will be offered at each comprehensive high school. <u>Click here</u> to learn more and register.

Counselor's Corner

SCHOOLS OUT FOR SUMMER...ONE MONTH TO GO !!!

On behalf of the SEHS School Counseling Team, we want to congratulate the Class of 2022!!!! You have worked so hard and we are so proud of you! Wishing everyone a relaxing, fun, safe summer!

All STUDENTS:

Stay focused, keep calm, and finish strong! If you need extra help in a class, come to peer tutoring in the library on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 7:00 till 7:30 AM. No pass required, just stop by.

ATTENTION SENIORS

REMINDER - FAFSA is a **graduation requirement**. If you have not completed this task yet, please make sure to get it done ASAP.

- Colleges will also use this document to determine what financial aid they can provide. More info on FAFSA and the Financial aid process can be found using the following link: <u>2022-2023 FAFSA</u>.
- If you are not planning on completing the FAFSA, click the link to complete the FAFSA Nonparticipation Form. Forms can be scanned and emailed to Mrs. Lawson at <u>karenlawson@u-46.org</u> or dropped off to the SEHS Counseling Office.

Senior Survey, Final Transcript Request, and Senior Slideshow

Request your final transcript through the <u>senior survey</u> and upload your post high school plan evidence (Click <u>HERE</u> to view acceptable evidence).
Don't forget to add your post secondary plans to the <u>Senior Slideshow</u> to be viewed on the screens all of May.

Looking for ways to pay for college?

• Every little bit helps and the scholarships received by the high school are updated on the <u>school website</u> on a regular basis. Applications can often be involved and require essays and letters of recommendation. Do not procrastinate...apply today!

Planning to attend Elgin Community College in fall of 2022?

• Do not wait any longer to apply! The ECC application is free, quick and easy. For information on applying as a new college student please visit <u>elgin.edu</u> and click the 'Apply Now' button on the top right hand corner of the page. After filling out an application you will be prompted with next steps to ensure that you are registered and have early access to orientation dates once you have completed your placement tests.

ATTENTION JUNIORS

- April 13th SAT scores were released on Wednesday, May 4th. Please visit the <u>College Board site</u> and log into your account to access your score. If you do not have an account you will need to create one. Interested in taking the SAT again? You can register for the SAT on the <u>College Board website</u>.
- Get a head start on your college applications. Click <u>here</u> to learn more and register.



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Athletics website:

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Athletics

May is here and we should have many May flowers after all the April showers we have had. This spring has not been ideal with the amount of rain and bad weather that we Thanks to those who have shopped have been getting. Our athletes, coaches, parents and fans have done a great job in with the Mobile App from 8to18, we braving the weather this spring and the Athletic Department is thankful for all the hard work that has gone into the spring season.

> As we begin May, the end of season for all of our sports will begin their post season pushes this month. Please stay up to date on 8to18 with all of the schedules for the post season. Also, there are many celebrations and school functions that pull our students in different directions. Please stay in contact with your coaches if your child has to miss athletic events for any of these reasons. The Athletic Department always tries to minimize conflicts but there are instances where the conflicts are unavoidable.

> Just a reminder that the SESPY's are May 20th, senior athletes and parents please purchase your tickets online. Please see the email and invite that were sent with the link.

Non-Senior athletes and incoming students please register for summer camps on 8to18.

Please make sure you follow us on twitter, Instagram and Facebook at @sehssports for all up to date information and as always ROLL STORM!



From the Dean's Office

Student ID's: ID's on lanyards need to be worn upon entering the building and while walking in the halls. This is for the safety of every student and staff in the building and on school grounds. Students please find a routine and reliable way to store your ID overnight so that you will not forget it. Thank you for wearing your ID!

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Great Things Happening at South Elgin High School!



SEHS 16th ANNUAL CAR SHOW Saturday, May 14 – 9 am–2 pm SEHS PARKING LOT BY THE AUDITORIUM Free for spectators

Click here for details

SOUTH ELGIN HIGH SCHOOL WELCOMES SEAN CASTEN! US CONGRESSMAN FOR THE 6TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS



Congressman Sean Casten came to visit Mrs. Upton-Dunmore's 8th period Economics Classroom on April 19th in connection to the stock market game.

Congressman Casten discussed the economy, cryptocurrency, employment, inflation, and. student loan debt. He also discussed his career path to being a congressman.

Congratulations to our Upstate 8 Lit Fest Winners!

We had TWO Critic's Choice winners (the top	Honorable Mention:	
piece in each category) this year:	Haley Deverick and Mihya Mir	
Koraima Loza-Sanchez for Slam Poetry	for Personal Essay	
Jaela McPherson for Descriptive Sketch	Emma Smith and Ellie Fischer for Short	
Second Place:	Fiction	
Dariya Asenova for Descriptive Sketch	Leah Gonzalez, Olivia Jakubas, Koraima	
Third place: Izzy Swanson for Personal Essay	Loza-Sanchez, and Jaela McPherson for Poetry	

DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM – ACHIEVEMENT DAY - MAY 5TH

On May 5th SEHS hosted our first celebration of the Dual Language Program - Achievement Day.

We came together to not only celebrate the dual language program, but also the students, teachers, and the first generation of graduates of the Dual Language Program.

In our fourth year with the bilingual program at South Elgin High School, student enrollment continues to increase, our bilingual course offerings continue to expand, and our bilingual staff continues to grow. We are excited and honored to continue to develop the Dual Language Program at South Elgin High School. We are committed to supporting our dual language students, their families, teachers, and stakeholders.

The first Achievement Day celebration is a step in the direction of our support and commitment in what will continue as an annual tradition as we move forward.





SPRING VARSITY BAND AND CONCERT BAND PERFORMANCE – WED., MAY 4

The students did a great job on their final performance of the year!!

