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SEHS CALENDAR



FRIDAY, MAY 23

May 5-9



Graduation Ceremony
Saturday, May 24
8:00 pm
NOW Arena
Hoffman Estates

Click here for the Senior Newsletter



24-25 YEARBOOK PICK UP MONDAY, MAY 12 3:00 pm-5:30 pm

Upcoming dates

May 2 – Prom

May 8 – Orchestra Concert

May 9 - Band Concert

May 12 – Yearbook Distribution

May 12 – Top 2% Recognition

May 13 – Choir Concert

May 14 – Early Release Day

May 15 – Senior Recognition

May 16 – SESPY's -Senior Athlete Awards

May 17 - Auto Show

May 17- Great America Grad Night

May 20 – Beacon Academy Awards

May 21 – Senior Walk

May 22 – Senior Boat Trip

May 23 – Senior Celebration/Graduation Rehearsal/Senior Panoramic Picture

May 23 – Last Day of School

May 24 – Graduation 8 pm

Greetings Storm Nation,

It's been a privilege to serve my first year as principal of South Elgin High School. To say that this year has gone by quickly would be an understatement. It seems like yesterday that we were at Taste Under the Lights celebrating our fall athletes and activities. Now, we are preparing for the last three weeks of school. Please remind your students of how important it is to finish the year strong. Those last formatives and summatives need to be their absolute best work. Seniors, shake off that senioritis and submit your best work to your teachers. We want you to STORM across that stage on May 24th at 8:00 pm, and make your parents/guardians/families proud. Most importantly, we want all of our students to finish the school year safely. So... make good choices, finish strong, and let's have a wonderful end to the 24-25 school year.

Senior Reminders:

Prom - Prom will be held at Stonegate Banquet this evening (Friday, May 2). Please know that tickets are no longer available and walk-ups will not be permitted to enter the dance. As a reminder, doors open at 5:45 p.m. Students will need to arrive by 6:45 p.m. and they will not be allowed to leave until 9:30 p.m. Backpacks and bags are not permitted, and purses are subject to search upon entry. We are looking forward to a wonderful evening with our students! Click <u>HERE</u> for additional information regarding Prom.

Senior Recognition - Our Senior Recognition Ceremony is May 15. Families of students being recognized will receive an email invitation early next week. We will recognize the many achievements of our Senior Class and give away thousands of dollars in local scholarships.

Graduation Rehearsal and Senior Celebration - Graduation rehearsal will take place on Friday, May 23 at 9:00 a.m. in the Main Gym. Seniors will NOT be attending their classes on this day. Seniors should enter through door #51 at 8:45 a.m. in order to participate in the mandatory graduation rehearsal. Upon completion of rehearsal, all Seniors will proceed to the football stadium for an end of the year celebration that will include food, music, and games. *Please note that all other students (Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors) will be dismissed at 1:40 p.m. on Friday, May 23. Buses will run at their normal time (2:55 pm).

Commencement Ceremony - Graduation will take place on Saturday, May 24 at the NOW Arena at 8:00 p.m. All graduates need to arrive at the arena by 7:15 p.m. and enter through Door #11. Tickets will be distributed to graduates at Graduation Rehearsal. Additional details will be provided during the Graduation Rehearsal.

Diploma Pick-Up & Textbook/Chromebook Drop Off - Graduates will need to enter through Door #1 on Tuesday, June 3 (Last name: A-L 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Last name: M-Z 12:00 - 3:00 p.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.

Mr. Miquelon Principal



During the last week of school, students will be able to login to the Infinite Campus Portal to review scheduled courses for the upcoming school year. School counselors will be available during lunch periods that week 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 SEHS Schedule Change Policy.

From the Dean's Office

ID's – Everyday students must present their ID when entering the building.

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Graduation 2025 - Saturday, May 24 - 8:00 pm

NOW Arena – 5333 Prairie Stone Parkway, Hoffman Estates

TICKETS WILL BE DISTRBUTED TO GRADUATES DURING REHEARSA

Friday, May 23 – South Elgin High School Graduation Rehearsal/ Senior Celebration/Senior Panoramic Picture

No grad gowns will be worn for rehearsal

Additional Graduation information will be shared at Rehearsal and also on our website.

CHECK OUT OUR SENIOR NEWSLETTER WITH IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR SENIORS



SENIORS -CHROMEBOOK DROP OFF AND DIPLOMA PICK UP

TUESDAY, JUNE 3 - 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Last names that begin with A-L
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 - 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM – Last names that begin with M-Z

A U-46 School ID, driver's license or picture identification is required to pick up your diploma.

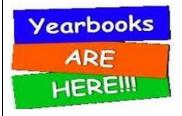
We will be collecting chromebooks and chargers, instructional materials such as classroom textbooks, library books, calculators, supplies from Art Class, cameras, equipment from Beacon, polar watches or any SEHS property.



SENIOR SUNSET

When: Thursday, May 22nd at sunset (approx. 7:30 pm)

Where: Stadium



MONDAY, MAY 12 - 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm

- SEHS COMMONS
- **ID Required**: Please bring your student ID or another form of legal identification to pick up your yearbook.
- Grade-Level Pickup: Distribution will be organized by grade level to streamline the process.

Yearbook Sales: Didn't order one yet? A limited number of extra yearbooks will be available for purchase at \$65 each, payable via cash, check or card. After you've picked up your yearbook, stick around to enjoy signing and sharing memories with your peers. It's a great chance to reflect on the year and all we've accomplished together.

The yearbook package includes a spring supplement that will be available for pick up in June or will be mailed home if your family elected that option. The spring supplement will include all spring sports, and activities.

This supplement will help us cherish and celebrate the contributions and memories of our entire school community.

Attention all seniors, check your email from Mr. Affleck about submitting your college bound photo for the yearbook. Submission deadline closes on Tuesday, May 20th. The college bound section will be featured in our spring supplement that will come out in June.

We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating another fantastic year at South Elgin High School!

#LetsgoStorm! If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Affleck.



All library books need to be returned to the library by Wednesday, May 16.

May 19-23- The library will be closed to <u>study hall and lunch students</u> for inventory, although will be open for book return and printing.

Thank you!



Questions should be directed to steveschertz@u-46.org

SEHS 18th ANNUAL CAR SHOW Saturday, May 17th

9:00 am -2:00 pm

Get ready for the 2025 South Elgin High School 18th Annual Auto Show, sponsored by the SEHS Auto Club.

NO ENTRANCE FEE
\$10 FOR PUBLIC TO SHOW VEHICLES
\$5 FOR STUDENTS TO SHOW CARS
CONCESSIONS
RAFFLE PRIZES
T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

Auto show will be located on the west side of the building.

Nurse's Office News

Physicals - Just a reminder that the health history section must be completed on all physicals.

If you are not provided this form in association with your Sport Physical, please request a copy from the nurse's office or you can print it here.

When sending documents to the Health Office ~

Send via fax to 847-888-7613 or via email to Pamelasthomas@u-46.org. The original documents must be scanned, saved and sent as a PDF. There are free scanning apps available for mobile phones, such as Microsoft Office Lens, or if you have an iPhone, there are directions on scanning using your "notes" app. (Note: Pictures/photos of the documents cannot be accepted.)

Attn: Parents, Guardians and Current 11th Grade Students in the Class of 2026

All incoming seniors for the 2025-26 school year are required to provide proof of having received their second dose of the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine *prior to the first day of school in August 2025* to be allowed to attend.

The first dose is normally received on or after the student's 11th birthday. The second dose is received at age 16 or older. If you receive annual physicals, there is a fair chance you may have already received this vaccine.

If you do not have a copy of your most recent vaccine records, or if you are not sure if you already received the 2nd dose of the Meningococcal vaccine, please contact your primary care doctor. Please submit proof of having had this vaccine by the first day of school in August. If you have the records, or have gotten the vaccine this year, please send in the proof of vaccine as soon as possible to the SEHS school nurses' office.

If you have any questions, please contact the South Elgin High School health office at 847-289-3760 ext 3642 or PamelaSThomas@U-46.com.

Thank you for helping students remain healthy and ready to learn!

Attendance Reminders

- 1. Single class absence or tardy that may have been entered in error can only be excused by the teacher for that period. Please email the teacher.
- 2. There is only a 72-hour window to excuse any absences.
- 3. All students MUST scan in or out, when leaving early or arriving late. Failure to do so will result in the student being marked unexcused for the periods missed.
- 4. If there is an *in-school emergency* situation, please keep in mind that no calls will be answered until the situation is resolved.

Students leaving early

- When calling your student out early, please include the <u>exact time of release</u>, your name, relation to the student, your contact number, student's name and ID number.
- Be sure to call at least 2 hours before the release time.
- Your student will receive an early release pass that will be stamped "Report to Attendance Office" with the time they are to report to the attendance office. Your student must sign out at the attendance office in order to be excused. All students leaving early will exit using the main door (door #1) which is located near the security desk.
- If your student is returning to school (same day) your student will need to sign back in at the attendance office before going to class.

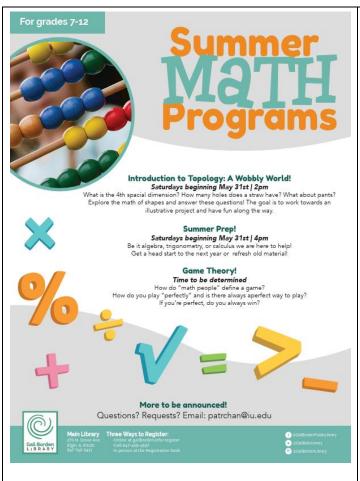
ALL U46 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED CAMPUS

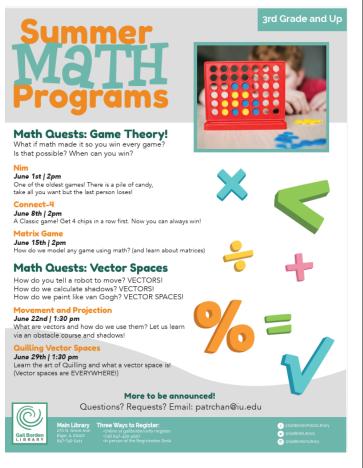
Athletics

May is here and we are quickly approaching the end of the school year. These last few weeks have been hard on us with weather cancellations and field conditions. Our athletes, coaches, parents and fans have done a great job in braving the rain and cold temperatures this spring and the athletic department is thankful for all the hard work that has gone into the spring season. As the calendar turns to May, we begin the end of the season and all of our sports will begin their post season pushes this month. Please stay up to date on SNAP with all of the schedules for the postseason.

Also, as we move into May, 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 due to any of these other commitments. 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 16th, senior athletes and parents please purchase your tickets online on Omella. This is a reminder that summer camps for non-senior athletes and incoming students must register on SNAP.

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





Student Services

Tony Venetico	Associate Principal	X3663
Karen Lawson	Admin. Asst.	X3803
Veronica Realzola	Registrar	X3690

School Counselors

Grades 9-11	Grade 12	Counselor	Ext.
A-Cald	A-Cald	Farrah Silverberg	x3364
Came-E	Cale-E	Sarah Perez	x3399
F-He	F-He	Jessica Cullinane	x3325
Hf-Man	Hi-Le	Christopher Boden	x3336
Mao-Or	Lf-Ne	Ryan Adamski	X3460
Os-Ro	Nf-Rob	Jaclynn Powell	x3610
Rp-Te	Roc-S	Andrew Holmes	x3477
Tf-Z	T-Z	Jessica Ventrella	x3247

Social Workers

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

SUMMER SCHOOL AND SUMMER **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

SUMMER SCHOOL Flyer

In need of making up a credit? Summer school classes will be held at Streamwood High School Mon-Friday on the following dates:

- June 2th 16th (Session 1)
- June 17th July 2 (Session 2)
- Time: 7:45 AM 1:00 PM (includes lunch)

Registration is NOW OPEN. Click here for more information.

Attention Juniors!

Sign up for College Jumpstart! this is a twoday voluntary and in-person program that will be offered at Elgin High School. Get a head start on your college applications. Click here to learn more and register.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

If you or someone you know needs assistance with mental health or substance abuse click here to be connected with resources.

Counselor's Corner

SCHOOL'S OUT FOR SUMMER...15 DAYS TO GO!!!

On the behalf of the SEHS School Counseling Team, we want to congratulate the Class of 2025!!!! You have worked so hard and we are so proud of you! We wish you all the best in your future endeavors. Wishing everyone a relaxing, fun, and safe summer!

All STUDENTS:

Stay focused, keep calm, and finish strong! Make sure you are checking Infinite Campus, checking Canvas, talking to your teachers, and completing your work/reassessments as needed. If you need extra help in a class, peer tutoring is available during all lunch periods Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays in the Collaboration Center in the library.

ATTENTION SENIORS:

LAST REMINDER - FAFSA is a **graduation requirement**. If you have not completed this task yet, please make sure to get it done ASAP. This is a requirement in order to partake in the graduation ceremony May 24th.

All seniors have to complete either the 2025-2026 FAFSA or the 2025-2026 Alternative Application for Illinois Financial Aid (in English or Spanish) for any undocumented students. Colleges will also use this document to determine what financial aid they can provide. Any student/family that does not plan on completing the FAFSA or the Alternative Application will need to "opt-out" by completing the FAFSA Nonparticipation Form.

This week all seniors had a presentation in their Senior English class to give a presentation to wrap the school year up. This included final TO DOs for graduation and how to request final transcripts! To complete the Senior Survey and Final Transcript Request please follow the steps below: Please remember that final transcript will not be sent until the end of June. Don't forget to request one to be sent to your home address. You never know when you might need an extra copy and DO NOT OPEN IT!! Link to

presentation

- 1. Login to Schoolinks through Clever
- 2. Click on show remaining To Dos on dashboard
- 3. Click on Senior Year-End Activity
- 4. Click on U-46 Post Secondary Evidence Plan
- 5. Upload evidence of your post high school plans. (Examples: acceptance letter, housing deposit, employment offer letter, placement test results, enrollment confirmation, enlistment contract or work schedule).

Looking for ways to pay for college?

Every little bit helps and the scholarships received by the high school are updated on the school website 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 2024?

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 elgin.edu 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.

Great Things Happening at South Elgin High School!

Congratulations to our Upstate 8 Lit Fest Winners!

Critic's Choice (the top honor in each category)

Caiden Chambers for personal essay **Kenzie Hedlund** for poetry

First Place

Elise Pratt for short fiction

Second Place

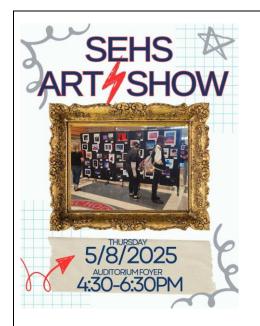
Catalina Guiao for descriptive sketch

Third Place

Mya Davis for personal essay Amada Rodriguez for poetry

Honorable Mention

Elise Pratt for poetry
Kai Scordas for poetry



Our Art Show is Thursday, May 8th 4:30-6:30pm in the Auditorium Foyer!

Come see all the amazing talent that our art students have here at South Elgin!

BEST OF ARTWORKS U-46 HIGH SCHOOLS

Award presentation took place at the Elgin State Bank on April 30. The following are the South Elgin High School winners:

Diego Medrano Kamiya Cole Mikaela Goeltenbodt Sara Ghanami Dylan Ward Diego Pasillas Madigan Waxler Maria Olarte Montano Alexis Olson Gabriel Trejo



Judging Criteria:

- Creativity and originality: The artwork demonstrates original thinking and expressive, artistic perceptions
- Composition: The artwork demonstrates a unique and sensitive approach to addressing artistic problems. It illustrates student understanding of and ability to interpret the elements of art and the principles of design. It makes a unique statement
- Technique: The artwork demonstrates student competency in using the medium to achieve the desired outcome.

STUDENT MANUFACTURING COMPETITION

Our student manufacturing competition team, Storm Precision received a second prize award for their submission in the Philips Machinist Student Competition. They took second place among a national pool of schools, most of which were colleges and several of which were universities. They are among the youngest average age of competitors in this competition. They designed and made improvements to the low cost prosthetic limb that we have been manufacturing for 3 years now in conjunction with life changer prosthetics and Chickasaw high school. The students delivered a top quality product that is comparable to most universities. An amazing accomplishment!

Team Members include:

Colton Edwards
Gabriella Krusiec
Daniel Ryniec
Laila Miulli
Declan Kulak
Gabriella Savino Banach



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