

# Respect - Relationships - Relevance - Resilience

## Weekly Bulletin: March 21, 2025

Calendar of Events (See Schedule Galaxy for most up-to-date athletic schedule)	
Friday, March 21, 2025 Faculty/Staff Basketball Game in support of Mrs. Handy & Mrs. Law	2:00 pm
Saturday, March 22, 2025 SSCS Futsal Tournament Sunday, March 23, 2025	All Day
SSCS Futsal Tournament  Monday, March 24, 2025  Board of Education Meeting – Library	All Day 7:30 pm
Tuesday, March 25, 2025 "Save A Life Tour" Assembly Thursday, March 27, 2025	9:00 am
Spring Picture Day Friday, March 28, 2025 K-3 Morning Program Wednesday, April 2, 2025	9:00 pm 8:20 am
Wednesday, April 2, 2025 Elevating Student Voices – Albany Monday, April 7, 2025 PSAT Testing	7:30 am
Board of Education Meeting – Library  Wednesday, April 9, 2025  K-5 Talent Show Dress Rehearsal	7:30 pm 3:00 pm
Wednesday, April 8 – Friday, April 11, 2025 FBLA State Conference - Rochester, NY Thursday, April 10, 2025	3.00 pm
K-5 Talent Show - Auditorium  Friday, April 11, 2025  Grade 5 to MiSci	8:20 am 9:00 am
Monday, April 14 – 18, 2025 Spring Break – School Closed Monday, April 21, 2025	
Board of Education Meeting – Library <b>Wednesday, April 23, 2025</b> Student Council Red Cross Blood Drive	7:30 pm 11:30am
Friday, April 25, 2025 K-3 Morning Program – Earth Day All County Spring Music Festival –Rehearsals	8:20 am 12 Noon
Friday, April 25, 2025 K-3 Morning Program – Earth Day All County Spring Music Festival –Rehearsals 12 pm Saturday, April 26, 2025	
All County Spring Music Festival-Rehearsals 9:00am All County Spring Music Festival Concert 3:00 pm	

### Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we move through the school year, I want to take a moment to emphasize the importance of healthy habits for our students. We know that children who get enough sleep, eat nutritious foods, and limit screen time—especially social media and video games like Fortnite—tend to be in better moods, more optimistic, and more engaged in their learning. Well-rested and well-nourished students retain information more effectively and are better equipped to meet the challenges of their school day.

I encourage you to have ongoing conversations with your child about the benefits of:

Getting Enough Sleep – Aim for 8-10 hours per night for middle and high schoolers and even more for younger children. A well-rested student is a focused student!

Limiting Screen Time – Excessive social media use and video gaming can affect mood, attention, and sleep. Encourage meaningful screen-free activities.

Eating Nutritious Foods – A balanced diet with protein, fruits, vegetables, and whole grains fuels both body and mind. Breakfast matters!

Additionally, I want to address a concern we have seen recently in our school community. Unfortunately, we have had several instances of students vaping, particularly in bathrooms. To discourage this behavior, we have propped open the main doors to our multi-stall bathrooms. Individual stall walls still provide necessary privacy, but this measure helps prevent groups from gathering. We also have single-user, family-style bathrooms available on each floor for students who prefer additional privacy.

Our goal is to create a safe and healthy environment where all students can thrive. We appreciate your support in reinforcing these values at home. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for your continued partnership!

#### **BOARD SEAT AVAILABLE**

Petitions for school board member are available in the District Office between the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday. There is one five-year term seat currently held by Sofia Issa due to expire on 06/30/25. Petitions require a minimum of twenty-five signatures of voters in the school district and must be returned to the District Clerk no later than 3:00 pm on Monday, April 21, 2025. All approved petitions will be submitted for voting at the Annual Budget Vote to be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 in the Auditorium Atrium of the school. For further information, please contact, Anthony DiPace, District Clerk at 284-2266.

#### Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser



Don't feel like cooking - stock your freezer or stop into a Little Caesars! The Class of 2027 will be selling Little Caesars Pizza kit: from March 14th to the 24th. Delivery and pick-up will be the week of April 7th, from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. We will know the exact day the week prior. This is a

pre-sale fundraiser only, so you must order your pizza kits ahead of time!

pizzakit.com Fundraiser ID: 457893

There are 4 ways to order:

- 1) See a 10th grader and ask
- 2) Stop at the front desk, look at the brochure, and order there,
- 3) Check out their website (pizzakit.com), click on the Products tab on the orange bar, then click on Shop! You will then click on "Support a Seller You Know" where you will be asked to enter the Fundraiser ID. All online orders will be delivered to the school!
- 4) NEW: If you live near a Little Caesars, you can also purchase a Meal Deal Code through the website. They will send you an email with a code for your meal and you ao pick it up when you want! Fundraiser ID: 457893.

#### **Spring Picture Day is Coming!**

Spring Picture Day is coming on Thursday, March, 27th. Spring pictures are open to individuals, siblings, and/or groups of friends. You can order pictures with a form or online at <a href="mailto:mylifetouch.com">mylifetouch.com</a> with Picture ID: EVT8HZZ6M. Parents/Guardians please email Ms. Freeman at <a href="mfreeman@sharonsprings.org">mfreeman@sharonsprings.org</a> to sign up for a time slot and indicate whether you want an individual and/or group picture with names and grade levels for everyone. The last day to sign up for pictures is Wednesday, March 26th due to scheduling.



This year's registration and screenings will be held on **Tuesday May 27th and Wednesday May 28th 2025** in the Sharon Springs
Central School Auditorium.

New York State regulations state that a child may enter Kindergarten if the child attains the age of five years on or before December 1st of that school year. An amendment to New York State Compulsory Education Law, signed by the commissioner in June, 1992, clarifies that children who turn six during the school year must attend school at the start of classes in September. Any child who has his/her 6th birthday on July 1st or after must be enrolled in school.

Even if you are undecided at this time about enrolling your child, if you have a child who will be 5 years old on or before December 1st, 2025, please contact:

Ashley Puding at (518) 284-2266 EXT 114 email- apuding@sharonsprings.org

# 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.