

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



Greetings Storm Nation,

We have been working hard all summer to get our school prepared for the return of students on Tuesday, August 13, 2024. The following message is mostly for our students, but I would appreciate it if parents would make sure your student receives the message. It is important that we are all on the same page to start the 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 to their full potential.

I also wanted to share a practical message on how to have a successful school year in relation to our Vision, Mission, and STORM Traits. These recommendations are not all encompassing, but they are a good start to a good year:

- 1. **Safe** Show up. Show up for class on time, for your learning, for your club/sport, for your friendships... Show up and show off how awesome you are.
- 2. **Thoughtful** Take your learning seriously. The only person your learning affects positively or negatively is you. Then, own your successes and your mistakes. A simple "thank you," or "I'm sorry," can go a long way.
- 3. **Organized** Own your due dates. Life has deadlines. When you learn how to meet deadlines with your best work, you will learn one of the most important traits of unlocking your success.
- 4. **Respectful** Respect others and respect yourself. Be reflective on how you treat others, and how you are treated. Respect yourself enough to be your best self.
- 5. **Mindset for Growth** Make every minute matter. Every minute you are in class, and every minute you are out of class, matters. You only get one chance at high school. Make every minute matter.

We are looking forward to having you back within the walls of South Elgin High School. Let's work together to make this year amazing.

Roll STORM!

Jonathon Miquelon Principal of South Elgin High School "Taking the Future by Storm!"







JOIN US FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 4:30 PM – 9:00 PM AT OUR 2024 SEHS WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION AT TASTE UNDER THE LIGHTS HELD AT OUR SEHS STADIUM!

RAFFLES, GIVE-AWAYS, FOOD TRUCKS, SCRIMMAGES, & SEHS BAND PERFORMANCE



FRESHMEN/NEW STUDENT PARENT NIGHT – MONDAY, AUGUST 5 – 6:00 PM FRESHMEN/NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION – TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 - 10 – 11:30 AM



2024/2025

### Freshmen/New Student Parent Night

Monday, August 5, 2024 6:00 PM - Auditorium (Door 5)

Meet the administrative staff - Get to know SEHS Turn in health forms (if needed)

#### Freshmen/New Student Orientation Tuesday, August 6, 2024 (Students Only)

10:00 AM-11:30 AM - Gym (Door 51)

Meet Staff Members & Student Mentors - Building tour to find your classrooms-Clubs/Activities/Athletics Fair

piritwear Sale - Turn in health forms - Student ID cards will be distributed during the first week of class. Yearbook pictures will be held on August 21 & 22

## WELCOME BACK

2024/2025

**BIENVENIDO DE NUEVO** 



<u>Noche de padres para estudiantes de primer</u> <u>año/nuevos estudiantes</u>

lunes, 5 de agosto de 2024

6:00 PM - Auditorio (Puerta 5) Conozca al personal administrativo - Conozca SEHS

Entregue el papeleo físico (si es necesario)

Orientación para estudiantes de primer año/nuevos estudiantes Martes 6 de agosto de 2024 (solo estudiantes) 10:00 AM -11:30 AM - Gimnasio (puerta 51)

onozca a los miembros del personal y a los estudiantes mentores - Recorrido por el edificio para encontrar sus aulas - Clubes/Actividades/Feria de atletismo Venta de ropa espiritual - Entregar formularios de salud - Las tarjetas de identificación de estudiantes se distribuirán durante la primera semana de clases. Las fotografías del anuario se llevarán a cabo <u>el 21 y 22 de</u>

# BIENVENIDO DE NUEVO



2024-2025 School Calendar

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### 2024-2025 SCHOOL DISTRICT U-46 SCHOOL CALENDAR

2024-2025 School Calendar - English 2024-2025 Calendario Escolar - Español



Each teacher will share with students their specific classroom needs on the first day of school when they pass out their syllabus. Students should bring writing supplies and paper. If your student is in need of a backpack and/or school supplies, please call 847-888-5000, ext. 5039.

### PRINT/VIEW YOUR SCHEDULE FROM HOME

if the following requirements have been met:

- 1. Online registration, application submitted
- 2. Approved residency on file
- 3. Physicals and shot records on file

Click here: https://district.u-46.org/checklist/

or sign into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, click more, then click the registration checklist.





### 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.

**Click here for locker directions** 



### **SEHS SCHOOL PICTURES**

August 21 -9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade picture day

**August 22** – 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade picture day. (If your senior has already taken a senior photo thru VIP, they do not have to get their photo taken)

After picture day, you will be able to select your photo for the yearbook and purchase prints. Please note, 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 <u>https://www.vipis.com/group/6714c841/south-elgin-high-school</u> shortly after photos are taken. If you need further assistance, contact VIP at <u>support@vipis.com</u>.



### 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** 19 and will be due by August 30. 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 September 30. Seniors inducted last year do not need to reapply, but are expected to be at the ceremony.



Be sure to check out our <u>SEHS Website</u>. You can find our SEHS student bulletin which is posted weekly. You can also find our staff directory, SEHS calendar, Infinite Campus link, and much more!



### STUDENT ID'S

Student ID"s will be distributed the first week of school in their 2<sup>nd</sup> period class. New students will be called down to the Dean's Office for their ID.



### CHROMEBOOK PICK UP FOR NEW 9-12<sup>™</sup> GRADE STUDENTS TO U-46

If your student will be here for Freshman Connection or Freshman Orientation,

please have them stop by the main office for their chromebook. If not, please stop by the main office at the start of school.



### **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, keys are not working - SEHS Main Office

# PARKING PERMIT SALES JUNIORS AND SENIORS

<u>CLICK HERE</u> FOR PARKING APPLICATION AND PARKING MAP

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS PARKING PERMIT SALES

AUGUST 5	AUGUST 6	AUGUST 7	AUGUST 8
SENIORS ONLY	SENIORS ONLY	JUNIORS & SENIORS	JUNIORS & SENIORS
9-11:30 AM & 1-3 PM	1 - 4 PM	8:00 -11 AM	10-2 PM



August 5 - 6:00 - 7:00 pm Freshman Parent Night

August 23 - 4:00 - 9:00 pm Taste under the lights

> August 29 -6 pm Back to School Night

-All home football games-

## Nurse's Office Notes

School District U-46 will be resuming our normal first day exclusion for the 24-25 school year. There will be no exceptions or grace periods. Students must meet the following requirements to start school on Tuesday, August 13.

- 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 pamelasthomas@u-46.org.



### 24-25 YEARBOOK SALES

Capture the unforgettable moments of the 2024-25 school year with our yearbook! Take advantage of our *early bird specia*l: purchase your yearbook for just \$55 before the price goes up to \$65 on October 1st. This cost includes a spring insert, which will be available for pick during the summer of 2025. If you prefer to have your spring insert mailed, that's available for a nominal fee. Yearbooks will be distributed in May before school ends.

Click <u>HERE</u> to be directed to the yearbook ordering site to purchase your 2024-25 yearbook. Our school ID is: 25126.

### **ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS**

Capture a precious moment in time with a senior baby ad in the yearbook - a timeless tribute to your graduate's journey from infancy to high school! Celebrate your senior's achievements with a heartfelt message in the yearbook! Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to make your senior's yearbook truly special!

We're offering for a limited time your ability to purchase your senior baby ad for a discounted price of \$10. Use promo code: **Early bird** at checkout. This only applies to the senior baby ad. Act now before the price goes back up.

Click <u>HERE</u> to be directed to the yearbook ordering site to order your senior baby ad today. Our school ID is: 25126.



### 23-24 YEARBOOKS

Don't miss out on the memories of the 2023-24 school year!

We have a limited number of yearbooks left, available for purchase from the treasurer in the main office. Priced at just \$60, you can pay with cash or card. Act fast—these yearbooks are sold on a first-come, first-serve basis, and once they're gone, they're gone for good! Secure your copy today!

# From the Office of Climate and Culture

We recognize the importance of involving families and community in this high school endeavor, so we invite you to be a part of this work! Help us by knowing, understanding and helping your student adhere to the following:

#### **Student ID Cards**

on sale

NOW

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 - Students who ride a Bus- IDs must be worn around the neck when entering this door. Door #1 – All other students - Enter door #1 wearing their ID's around their neck.

#### Student drop off and pick up

Parents, the *auditorium parking lot* will be used for buses to drop off and pick up our students, so please make sure that you are dropping off and picking up your student in front of the building.

#### **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.



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.

# **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.
- 5. Please allow 24 hours for changes to be updated in Infinite Campus.
- 6. If your student is coming in late or leaving early, they must scan in/out at the Attendance office or their absence will be unexcused.

# SEHS PARKING LOT TRAFFIC FLOW INFORMATION

Please <u>click here</u> to access the traffic pattern that will need to be followed starting Tuesday, August 13 for those students being dropped off, driving to school or being picked up at school.

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.

The West parking lot (adjacent to the auditorium) is dedicated to buses. Driving through this parking lot, or attempting to drop off/pick up students in this area creates a safety hazard. Please support us by avoiding this area when picking/dropping up your student. Thank you for your help.

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

## **Student Services**

Welcome back to the 2024-25 school year! I am excited to return as the Assistant Principal of Student Services for a 6th year. Our department works to ensure that every individual student has access to the academic and social emotional supports that he/she/they need.

### Meetings

• Parents and students have the right to participate in IEP meetings & 504 meetings in person, via telephone, or virtually. Our invitations will be sent to come to the Guidance Office, but just let us know if you need to attend a different way.

### Testing

- All 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students participate in College Board testing in the Fall. If your student requires accommodations, you and your student need to sign the consent form and return to the Guidance Office by August 18th so the school can submit the application. *If you were previously approved for accommodations & attended SEHS, you do not need to submit a new form.*
- In the Spring, we will be participating in ACT testing. Any 11th grade student who requires accommodations will need to turn in a consent form to release information. This form can be obtained from the case manager or school counselor. It will be due in February.

### Transition

• Early release days will be applicable to students in the Transition program. If you would like to pick your young adult up on these days, notify your classroom teacher. Otherwise, your young adult will have the chance to participate in an alternative activity & transportation will continue to be provided at 3:05pm.

Please reach out if you have any needs or questions.

Roll Storm! Lauren Stewart. AP of Student Services



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 <u>iPhone</u> or <u>for Android</u>) – 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 begins on August 12th, all students MUST be registered on our athletics website and have a current physical on file. The fall sports we offer are: Boys and Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Girls Swimming and Diving, Girls Tennis, Girls Flag Football and Girls Volleyball. To register or find more information please visit our athletic website: <a href="https://schools.dev.snap.app/sehs">https://schools.dev.snap.app/sehs</a>.

Our annual Taste Under the Lights event will be held at SEHS on August 23rd from 4:00 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 as performances by Cheer, Dance and the Storm Marching Band. Spirit Wear will also be available for purchase, so be sure to grab your storm swag. Parents, be sure to put STORMFEST on your calendar for September 15th at Panton Mill Park (12pm-5pm) for an opportunity to meet a lot of our sports and club programs. This is a festival like atmosphere with food, games, and other fun activities for friends and families alike.

STORM NATION WE NEED YOUR HELP......the easiest way to do this is by joining our Booster Club. You can visit the booster's website, <u>https://www.sehsboosters.com/</u> for more information. Our SEHS extracurricular community could not function without the support and help of our parents and community members. #RollStorm #GetInvolved

### **Student Services – Guidance**

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

### **School Counselors**

Grades 9-11	Grades 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
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.

- <u>Click here</u> to view your schedule.
- Forgot your username/password? <u>Click here</u>.
- Can't access your schedule yet? <u>Click here</u> to verify what you need to complete for the registration process.

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. You can also refer to our <u>U-46</u> <u>curriculum guide</u>, page 11.

In order to be classified in the next grade level you need 10 credits to be a sophomore, 20 credits to be a junior, and 30 credits to be a senior. To check your credit status, you can check your transcript in Infinite Campus.

Please be sure to verify your schedule on Infinite Campus on Tuesday, 8/13, prior to your first class to access the most accurate version as slight changes may have been made.

Welcome back!