

The Weekly Green Scene

South Fayette Township School District's Primary Source for Campus News





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SF at the Summit of AI in Education

In an effort to serve our region's educators and lead critical conversations around artificial intelligence (AI) in education, the District proudly hosted the inaugural Future-Focused Learning Summit this past Monday at the High School. The event's theme was "Crafting Futures, Bridging Divides: Transforming Learning with AI."

Dr. Matt Callison, Director of Innovation and Strategic Partnerships, said, "As a District that is student-centered, future-focused, and innovation-driven, we wanted to create a space and lead the critical conversations that need to occur between educators, leaders, and companies. We know that Al isn't going away, and by bringing together these great minds we can plan how to move teaching and



Dr. Callison and Mrs. Wagner-Deitch are especially thankful for the companies who partnered with South Fayette as sponsors for the inaugural Summit.

learning forward with the students at the center."

Organized by Dr. Callison and Director of Curriculum Cristine Wagner-Deitch, the Summit featured a keynote address by SF parent <u>Dr. Joe Yun</u> titled "Coding the Future: Reimagining K-12 Education in an AI-Driven World." Approximately 250 attendees from throughout Western PA and Ohio spent the day participating in workshops, many of which were led by SF faculty, staff, and administrators. SF students were involved in some of the presentations as well.

The Summit was also an opportunity to showcase the fantastic resources available to the students at South Fayette and included the unveiling of the CAVERN space in the High School Library which will be available for class use in the coming weeks. This 270-degree virtual reality experience was created in partnership with Carnegie Mellon University's Entertainment Technology Center.

Feedback from the Summit was incredibly positive with countless requests from attendees for it to be an annual event. It was a wonderful opportunity to further establish South Fayette as a leader and guide to our education peers through this rapidly evolving technological landscape.



Dharini Pandian, Hannah Yeh, Alexa Ankrum, Eli Petter, Nandana Menon, and Pranita Chakkingal led a session titled "Beyond the Algorithm: Real Student Experiences with AI"

Reminders

• Campus construction updates are available online at a <u>dedicated page</u> on the district website.

Student and Staff Shout Outs

- ★ Way to go **Girls Varsity Soccer Team** for earning a spot in the WPIAL Class 3-A Playoffs! They are Section III Champs with a 10-0-0 Section record and 13-3-0 overall regular season finish. The 1st Round Playoff Game is at Home on Monday at 6:30 PM. Let's be there to support our Lady Lions!
- * Big shout to the Girls Varsity Volleyball Team that is heading into the WPIAL Class 3-A Playoffs!
- ★ Congrats to the **Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams** for a successful finish at the TSTCA Championships on Thursday. The Girls Team finished 2nd out of 21 teams and **Angela Zeng** came in 4th of 225 runners. The Boys Team wrapped up 5th out of 29 participating teams with **Griffin Martin** finishing 5th in the pack of 299 runners. Way to go!

- ★ WOO-HOO 8th Grade Football Team for finishing the season undefeated for the second year in a row! The team wrapped up the season this week with a 47-20 victory over Thomas Jefferson.
- ★ Three cheers to the members of the **Girls Varsity Soccer Team** who have been named WPIAL Girls Soccer Class 3A All-Section player selections for 2024 as chosen by the coaches: Gabby Beinecke, Mia Deramo, Quinn Miller, Mia Patel, Emily Sinton, Abbey Spalla, and Caitlyn Thompson!
- ★ The following SF boys soccer players have been named to the 2024 All-Section Team: Ryan Bradley, Lucas Patel, and Tyler Sidhom! Way to go, Lions!
- ★ Congratulations to the **Boys Varsity Golf Team** who learned this week that they have been invited as the alternate to the PIAA State Team Championships next week in State College. They'll be joining teammate **Sam Bishop** who is competing in the Individual Championships as well. Good luck, quys!
- ★ This week's Lion Card raffle winners at the IS from each grade who have been proudly making safe, kind, and responsible choices are: 3rd Grade: Eva Gatti and Millie Wolstoncroft; 4th Grade: Safarov and Landon Seabright; 5th Grade: Louie DiMarco and Brody Quinn. Congratulations and great job!
- ★ Congratulations to last week's Lion Pride winners at the ES for the PBIS Program: Kindergarten: Liam Bolton and Braelynne Orso; 1st Grade: Landon Louk and Sharee Smith; 2nd Grade: Liam McClure and Mackenzie Scarmazzi. These Super Lions showed that they are Safe, Kind, and Responsible and will be entered into the ES monthly drawing for the chance at a class or individual reward of their choice.

Lions in the News

- 🦁 A wonderful article about **Boys Basketball Coach Mislan** and his upcoming <u>Musial Award</u> was shared by sports writer Mike White in the Post-Gazette.
- 🦁 The Almanac continued its coverage of our Hall of Fame induction with a third article featuring all seven of this year's inductees.
- 🦁 WTAE-TV showcased the Future-Focused Learning Summit and particularly the CAVERN space on their evening news on Monday, October 14 and the following morning.

Events Next Week

October 21, 2024

Two-Hour Delay for Students

October 22, 2024

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, **HS Studio**

October 25, 2024

MS Halloween Dance, 7:30 - 9:30, MS Gym

Upcoming Dates to Remember

October 31, 2024

Halloween ES/IS Fall Festival Parade

End of 1st Quarter

November 1, 2024

Diwali

No School for Students

November 3, 2024

Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 4-8, 2024

MS PTA Book Fair

November 5, 2025

Election Day

November 7, 2024

HS Club Picture Day

November 8, 2024

5th Annual Uncommon Conference Report Cards Available

November 12, 2024

PTA General Membership Meeting, 7 pm, ES Library

November 19, 2024

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

November 26, 2024

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

December 2, 2024

Little Lions Early Learning Academy Lottery Request Period Opens School Board Reorganization Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

December 6, 2024

End of Stuff-A-Bus Toy Drive Interim Report Cards Available on Parent Portal

December 12, 2024

MS Holiday Orchestra Concert, 6:30 pm, Auditorium MS Holiday Band Concert, 8 pm, Auditorium

December 16, 2024

Two-Hour Delay for Students

December 19, 2024

ES & IS PTA Holiday Parties

December 23, 2024 - January 1, 2025

School Closed - Winter Break

November 9, 2024

Fall Showcase, 7 pm, HS Theatre

November 13, 2024

ES & IS Picture Make Ups HS Powder Puff Game, 7 pm, Stadium

November 21, 2024

PTA Science Fair for ES & IS, 6:30 pm, IS Gym

November 28 - December 2, 2024

School Closed - Fall Break

December 4 - 6, 2024

Keystone Exams

December 10 - 12

Keystone Exam Make-Up Days

December 13, 2024

PTA Holiday Market, 4 - 8 pm, HS Studio & Theatre Corridor Carols & Cocoa featuring IS Beginning Band, 5th Grade Band, HS Wind Ensemble, 7 pm, IS Gym

December 17, 2024

5th Grade Band, Choir & Orff Ensemble, & Orchestra Concert, 7 pm, HS Theatre

December 20, 2024

Early Dismissal for Winter Break

December 25, 2024

Christmas Day

November 11, 2024

Veterans Day Stuff-A-Bus Toy Drive Begins (through December 6)

November 16, 2024

Garba Festival, 7 pm, HS Gym

November 25 - 27, 2024

No School for Students -Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 28, 2024

Thanksgiving

December 5, 2024

MS Holiday Chorus Concert, 6 pm, MS Auditorium

December 11, 2024

3rd & 4th Grade Winter Orchestra Concert, 7 pm, IS Gym Coffee and Conversation with District Leadership, 9 - 10 am, Pride Room

December 14, 2024

Breakfast with Santa, 9 - 11 am, HS Commons PTA Holiday Market, 10 am - 2 pm, HS Studio & Theatre Corridor

December 18, 2024

HS Music Department Holiday Concert, 7 pm, HS Theatre

December 21, 2024

Little Lions Early Learning Academy Lottery Request Period Closes

December 26, 2024

Hanukkah Kwanzaa



Have news to share?* Article drafts, flyers, ads, .jpg or .png images can be emailed to: Jennifer Donovan, Director of Communications at

Deadline: 10 am Thursday prior to release/issue date. Example: newsletter date is Friday, August 30, submission deadline is 10 am on Thursday, August 29. *Submission does not guarantee placement in upcoming issue(s).

Community Resources

Fundraisers







- Support SFYLA by purchasing a Custom SF Lions plush blanket
- 60"x70" XL | 100% soft plush polyester
- Stay warm at home and on the sidelines!
- · Great holiday gift
- Orders due by 11/05/2024, pick up early December
- Link to purchase:
 - https://south-fayette-youth-lacrosse-association.square.site/

GO LIONS!

JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S!

Mention the fundraiser at the register and Cane's will donate 15% of sales to:

South Fayette Business Leaders of America

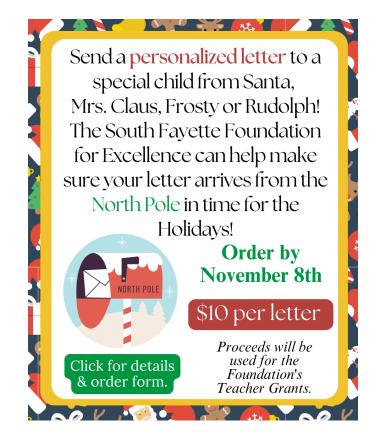
DATE & TIME:

November 07, 2024 from 04:00 PM - 08:00 PM

LOCATION:

189 Millers Run Road, South Fayette, PA 15017 +1 610-553-5581





District Events



having fun with friends, and winning tournament and raffle prizes at Rezzanine Esports in Bridgeville!

October 21, 2024



6:30 PM





www.rezzanineesports.com







Transition Resources



MEET YOUR OVR COUNSELORS!

Lindsay Coulehan

Early Reach Coordinator (9th & 10th graders) Cell: 412-500-4717 Email: lcoulehan@pa.gov

Shelia Emerick

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (11th - 12th+ graders) Cell: 412-758-2115 Office: 412-392-5985 Email: sheemerick@pa.gov

OVR 101 - CCAC **EVENING FOR FAMILIES**

Come learn about the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and how to access accommodations in college.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28 6:30 - 8:00 PM SF HIGH SCHOOL STUDIO

RSVP BY OCTOBER 23RD

SERVICES WE OFFER

Pre - Employment Transition Services (For Students)

Sessions will be offered during periods 1 & 2.

NOV 6 OVR 101

DEC 18 Career Exploration

Soft Skills of **JAN 15 Employment**

Summer Employment/ Application Completion FEB 5

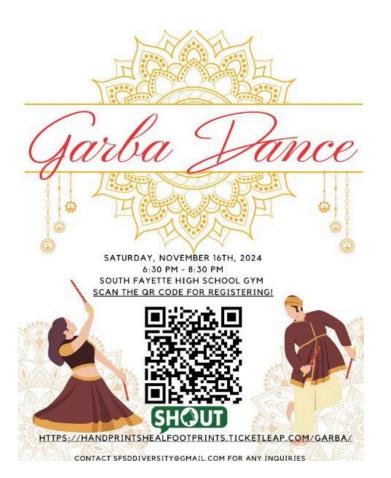
MAR 12 Interview Preparation

APR 9 Mock Interviews

TO RSVP FOR ANY OF THE EVENTS OR LEARN MORE, EMAIL DR. BELL AT CLBELL@SOUTHFAYETTE.ORG









ASSOCIATION PRESENTS



Saturday November 16th. 2024

Doors open @ 6PM

EVENT BEGINS @ 7PM

SOUTH FAYETTE FIRE DEPARTMENT 661 MILLERS RUN RD, CUDDY 15031

\$35 Donation includes

9 chances to win a designer purse 9 cash prizes, a door prize & beverages

FINAL PURSE @ 10PM-LOUIS VUITTON

CHINESE AUCTION. RAFFLES. 50/50. games of chance all available for SEPARATE PURCHASE.

Feel free to bring your For tickets email: own food and drink.

southfavettewrestling@gmail.com

Must be 18 years old to attend

Junior Scientists and Inventors, Time to Register!

2024 Science and Invention Fair

Thursday, November 21, 6:00pm-7:45pm, IS Gym Project drop-off is Wednesday, November 20 6:30-8pm



- *Grades K-5, Individuals or Groups (up to 4)
- *Registration required!
- *Win great prizes like tickets to the Children's Museum, a signed picture from Cam Hayward, and more!

More Info and Registration at:

https://forms.gle/HmQKmfRsRgL3pUQ7A





JOIN US TO BE PART OF THE KIDS OF STEEL PROGRAM AT SOUTH FAYETTE AND RUN IN THE PITTSBURGH KIDS MARATHON!

Training is in person at both the Elementary and Intermediate schools.









For more information, visit South Fayette's Lions of Steel websites:

ES - https://lions-of-steel.webnode.com/
IS - https://sites.google.com/view/sfiskidsofsteel

Race day is May 3, 2025



FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROGRAM, CONTACT:

Mrs. Colangelo (ES) - racolangelo@southfayette.org Miss Fornella (IS) - cmfornella@southfayette.org

Community Activities

LEARN 2





SOUTH FAYETTE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Progressive level based program that emphasizes water safety and transition to swim team

PROGRAM FEATURES:

- ✓ Trained instructors
- Safety-focused
- Progressive curriculum





5p or 5:30p





NOTE: Learn-2-Swim will be offered again in March 2025.



Why Girl Scouts?

Because we all want a brighter, happier tomorrow for your girl.

Forever friendship is a powerful thing.



Click for more Details

You're invited to meet new friends at: South Fayette Girl Scout Sign Up Night South Fayette Library 515 Millers Run Rd Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2024, 6:00 p.m.











SOUTH FAYETTE TOWNSHIP SCIENCE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Sea Turtle Explorers

Ages 5-12

4:15pm-5:45pm Tuesdays, Oct 29.-Nov 19.

South Fayette Senior Center, 515 Millers Run Rd., South
Fayette PA 15064

\$175 - 4 week session



Chemistry Chaos

Grades 1-3, 5:30pm-6:30pm, Thursdays, Feb. 25-Mar. 18
South Fayette Township Senior Center
100 Township Dr., Bridgeville PA 15017
\$95- four-week session

Sign up at SouthFayettepa.com/Recreation

Family & Transition Age Youth:

What's Next & What Do You Need to Know?

Saturday, November 9, 2024

UPMC Health Plan Neighborhood Community Center 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!















Join us for a special event designed for parents, families δ youth ages 14-22!

Sessions & event activities will include:

Ask the Expert: "Why Do I Need to Know You?"

meet leading agency professionals

Plan For The Future

learn about next steps to get set up for success

The Bus Isn't Coming! "Who's Driving!?"

gain essential knowledge, tools, & resources to better understand transportation options

Maximize Your Network: Vendor Walk

meet with vendors within Allegheny County to enhance your network

Click Here to Register

A boxed lunch will be provided by Chick-Fil-A for all attendees!





Canonsburg, PA

Sundays 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3 @ 3 pm (11/10 Rain Date)

Hills-Hendersonville Elementary School

50 Mayview Rd

| DIVISION | DISTANCE |
|---------------|--------------|
| Pre-K 2/3yr | 50 Yard Dash |
| Pre-K 4/5yr | 75 Yard Dash |
| Challenger | 75 Yard Dash |
| K & 1st | 1/4 Mile |
| 2nd & 3rd | 1/2 Mile |
| 4th & 5th | 1 Mile |
| 6th, 7th, 8th | 1 Mile |

*All races will be the same distances each week

For more information, please contact Dave Daley at 412-519-7479 Canonsburgpa@healthykidsrs.org

SCORING/DETAILS

- · T-shirts for ALL runners • Medals for ALL runners on Week 5
- Scan QR code and check race description on website for trophy details.

Scan the code to Register Today.



EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT \$45 FULL SERIES.
UNTIL THREE WEEKS FROM START DATE





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