March 10 - 14, 2025



The Weekly Green Scene

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



It's Pi Day!

Today, March 14, is Pi Day, named for the mathematical constant approximately equal to 3.14 – the ratio or a circle's circumference to its diameter. Attempting to draw attention to the importance of math skills, Congress made Pi Day official in the U.S. in 2009. It is not an internationally recognized holiday, however, because most other countries write dates in the form of day/month/year. Pi is an irrational number, meaning that it cannot be expressed exactly as a ratio of two integers, and, therefore, its decimal representation never ends and never becomes a permanently repeating pattern.



If you hold a mirror up to 3.14, it spells PIE!

Here are a few fun facts about Pi Day as per gtpie.com:

- Albert Einstein was born in 1879 on Pi Day and grew up to be a famous mathematician.
- The official time for celebrating Pi Day on March 14 is 1:59 pm to follow the next three decimals in the constant: 3.14159
- The Guinness Book of World Records documents that Rajveer Meena from India was able to recite 70,000 decimal places of Pi in 2015. It took him 10 hours.

Annual Celebration of Excellence

The annual Celebration of Excellence is Thursday, March 27, 2025, nearly a month earlier than last year.

This year, activities will be staggered to better allow for parking. Students and their guests are welcome at the following times and locations:

- Elementary & High schools 5 7 pm
- Intermediate & Middle schools 6 8 pm

Eighth graders should attend the High School session.

Families are encouraged to make every attempt to arrive together in one vehicle to further assist with parking on campus.

Additionally, the date of Celebration of Excellence is an early dismissal day for our Lions. Students will be dismissed at the following times per school:

High: 10:30 amMiddle: 11:15 amIntermediate: NoonElementary: Noon

We hope to see you on campus on Thursday, March 27 for the 2025 Celebration of Excellence!

Counting Down to Mini-THON

Looking for ways to help support our Lions and Mini-THON? Head to the High School musical tonight, *Mamma Mia!*, where Mini-THON organizers are running concessions.

Last Friday was the most successful Stall Day/Blue Out in South Fayette Mini-THON history. The high school students and staff went all out in wearing their blue, and more than \$11,000 was raised as a result of Stall Day (in which students pay to stall the start of each class).

This week, the Mini-THON Donor Drive reached \$114,000! Additional funds came from the support of the SF community at the Madsen Donuts fundraiser last weekend. Thank you to everyone for their continued support!



4th period lunch did an incredible job of sporting Blue for Blue Out!

Job Opportunities





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<u>Click here</u> to view all open employment opportunities within the District.

Reminders

- Kennywood Day is Wednesday, June 18, 2025. Purchase your tickets prior to June 4 for as low as \$31.99 each. <u>Click here for instructions</u>.
- If your family anticipates an extended, international trip during the second semester, you must complete <u>this Google Form</u> for review and pre-approval. This form is also available under the Parents section of the district website.
- South Fayette Township Parks & Recreation is hiring Summer Camp Counselors and Splash Pad Park Attendants at \$13/hr. Must be age 16+. Apply online.
- Kindergarten registration for 2025-2026 is now available online.
- It's time to think about summer activities for your kids! Kidsburgh has released <u>their list</u> of camps and it includes the <u>AHN Chill Project Summer Program</u> at SFMS this summer.
- Information about Virtual Learning Days is available under Flexible Instruction Days (FID) from the QR Code on the "What Every Lion Needs to Know" magnet that all families received at the beginning of the school year.
- Campus construction updates are available online at a <u>dedicated page</u> on the district website.

Student and Staff Shout Outs

- ★ Break a leg to all the **cast, crew, and musicians** performing this weekend in the high school musical, "Mamma Mia!"
- ★ Great job to our **Mini-THON fundraisers** and many thanks to all of the HS teachers and students who participated in Stall Day/Blue Out Day last Friday! With 49 teachers participating (representing every department in the high school), it was the most successful Stall Day ever with over \$11,500 raised for Mini-THON! The English department led all donations with over \$3,500 collected!
- ★ Congratulations to **Ella Trahan** who finished 8th in the state at the Girls' PIAA Individual State Wrestling Championship in Hershey last week! Fantastic!
- ★ Best of luck to our Indoor Track Team members who are in Boston, MA, competing at the New Balance Indoor National Championships through this weekend: Nina DiMartini, Luke Gillen, Neil Joshi, Siya Joshi, Luke Miller, Brenna Schmitz, Delaney Schumaker, Emily Sinton, Luke Sinton, Maddie Stock, Mary Claire Walsh, and Angela Zeng!
- ★ Bravo to our **Varsity Hockey Team** as they defeated North Allegheny in the PIHL Penguins Cup Semifinals this past Monday. They are now headed into the championship game against Seneca Valley which takes place on Monday at 6:15 pm at the Lemieux Sports Complex.
- ★ So proud of our **Lady Lions Basketball Team** as they defeated Lower Dauphin in the first round of the PIAA Class 5-A Playoffs at home last Saturday! The score was 56-21 and **Ryan Oldaker** scored enough points herself (24) to win the game for SF! The Ladies also defeated West York on Wednesday at Altoona High School with a final score of 70-41. Next up is a trip to the Quarterfinals on Saturday at Armstrong High School where they'll take on Hollidaysburg at 1:30 pm.

- ★ Our Lions sure are doing well at the PIAA Swimming Championships this week! As of the end of Thursday's competition, **Josh Grimenstein** took 4th in the 100 yard Backstroke with a time of 51.32 seconds a new school record! He also finished 12th in the 100 yard Fly. **DJ Poe** had a personal best time in the 500 yard Freestyle with a time of 4 minutes 50.23 seconds which earned 14th place in competition. Congratulations to Josh and DJ as well as **Dan Grimenstein, Grant Logan,** and **Alex Lou** for qualifying for states and for your successes this week in the pool. Good luck as competition continues through Saturday!
- ★ Three cheers for our student athletes who were identified in the *Tribune-Review* as softball/baseball players to watch for the Spring 2025 season: **Maddie Cavenaugh, Anthony Diodata, Emma Earley, Ethan Rose, Trey Skeen,** and **Cameron Valentino**!
- ★ Congratulations to **CJ Inkenhaus** for being selected to be part of the 2025 National Youth Orchestra! This summer, he will gather with the full ensemble from July 5 to August 7 and be joined by conductor Gianandrea Noseda and violinist Ray Chen on a tour of Asia which kicks off in Japan.
- ★ Bravo to South Fayette's talented students who performed in the Pittsburgh Musical Theater's production of *The SpongeBob Musical: Youth Edition*: 5th grader **Anna Levenson**, 6th grader **Julia Welch**, and 7th grader **Jayden Meehan**. This talented trio is now rehearsing to take the stage in early April in *Jesus Christ Superstar* at the Byham Theater. Tickets are available <a href="https://example.com/heater-byham-th
- ★ Congratulations to the Lion Pride winners at the ES for the PBIS Program for last week: Kindergarten: Gabriella Marino, Luke Mowrey, Nyra Puri, and Mason Rudzik; 1st Grade: Gemma Bushmire, Maze Dean-Latimore, Summer Pustovhr, and CJ The; 2nd Grade: Liliana Aceveda Salas, Liam Dunn, Cora Henry, and Logan Leigh. 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

- The <u>Post-Gazette</u> covered South Fayette's hockey team in two <u>separate articles</u> regarding the PIHL Penguins Cup.
- The *Tribune-Review* also covered PIHL Hockey and shared that the Lions are heading into the Championship round on Monday.
- After the Lady Lions Basketball Team defeated West York on Wednesday, the <u>Post-Gazette</u> showcased their experience and next found in the playoffs.

Events Next Week

March 15, 2025

HS Spring Musical, 7 pm, HS Theatre

March 16, 2025

HS Spring Musical, 2 pm, HS Theatre March 17, 2025 St. Patrick's Day

March 18, 2025

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

Upcoming Dates to Remember

March 25, 2025

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm,

HS Studio

March 27, 2025 End of 3rd Quarter

Early Dismissal for all students Celebration of Excellence in Learning at all schools

March 28, 2025

No School for Students

March 31, 2025

Eid Al-Fitr

No School for Students

April 1, 2025

No School for K-11 students Senior Exit Interviews Kindergarten Preview Day

April Fool's Day

April 3 - 6, 2025

HS Music Department Trip

April 4, 2025

Report Cards Available on Parent

Portal

April 7, 2024

Two-Hour Delay for Students

April 10, 2025

PTA General Membership Meeting, 7 pm, ES Library

April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday Passover

April 14, 2025

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 7 pm, HS Theatre

April 15, 2025

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

April 17 - 21, 2025

Spring Break, No School

April 18, 2025

Good Friday

April 20, 2025

Easter

April 22, 2025

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

April 22 - 23 and 25, 2025

PSSA Grades 3-8 - ELA

April 24, 2025

Take Your Child to Work Day

April 29, 2025

HS Spring Chorus and Orchestra Concert, 7 pm, Theatre

April 29 - 30, 2025

PSSA Grades 3-8 - Math

April 30, 2025

HS Best of Our Best Awards Ceremony, 7 pm, Theatre

May 1, 2025

MS & HS Jazz and Percussion Ensemble Concert, 7 pm, HS Theatre

May 1 - 2, 2025

PSSA Grades 4 & 8 Science

May 2, 2025

Interim Report Cards Available on

Parent Portal

May 2 - 3, 2025

Mini-THON, 6 pm - 6 am

May 4, 2025

PTA Sweetheart Dance for ES & IS, 6 - 8 pm, HS Gym

May 5, 2025

Cinco de Mayo

May 5 - 9, 2025

MS PTA Book Fair **HS AP Exams**

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6, 2025

MS Spring Orchestra Concert, 7 pm, Auditorium

May 7, 2025

MS PAC Meeting (with 5th Grade Parents), 9 am

4th Grade Performing Arts Club Musical, 7 pm, IS Gym

May 8, 2025

Band-O-Rama Concert (IS, MS, & HS), 7 pm, HS Theatre

May 9, 2025

HS Prom

May 11, 2025 Mother's Day

May 12, 2025

Two-Hour Delay for Students Beginning Band & Strings Spring Concert, 2 pm, IS Gym Third & Fourth Grade Orchestra Spring Concert, 7 pm, IS Gym

May 12 - 16, 2025

HS AP Exams

May 13, 2025

Fifth Grade Band, Choir, & Orff Ensemble and Orchestra Arts Showcase, 7 pm, HS Theatre

May 14, 2025

Biology Keystone Exams at HS (Asynchronous Day for HS students not testing)

May 15, 2025

Literature Keystone Exams at HS (Asynchronous Day for HS students not testing) MS Spring Chorus Concert, 6 pm, Auditorium

May 16, 2025

Algebra Keystone Exams at HS & MS (Asynchronous Day for HS & MS students not testing)

May 16 - 18, 2025

11th Grade Washington, DC Trip

May 19 - 21, 2025

Keystone Exam Make Ups

May 20, 2025

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

May 22, 2025

Last Day & Celebration for Little Lions Early Learning Academy Beginning Band Concert, 7 pm, IS Gym

May 26, 2025

No School - Memorial Day

May 27, 2025

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

May 28, 2025

Senior Baccalaureate, 7 pm, Theatre

May 29, 2025

Senior Waffle Breakfast, 8 am, Commons followed by Guest Speaker

May 30, 2025

Last Day for Seniors ES/IS Track & Field Day Senior Class Picnic

May 31, 2025

Glow Run, 5 pm, Stadium



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

District Fundraisers





Track & Field Pepperoni Roll Fundraiser

Pepperoni Roll will serve approx. 3 people.
Delivery date is April 4, 2025.
Cost \$16/roll.

To purchase, see any member of the HS Track and Field team or email:

sftfxc.boosters@gmail.com

Now through March 27, 2025

District Events







SPRING INTO DIVING!

Location: South Fayette Middle School Pool Days: Mondays and Wednesdays 6:45-8:30p

Contact: Coach Amy coachamy@steelcityaquatics.org

www.steelcityaquatics.org

springboard dive in safe progressions

Learn how to







We will host the South Fayette Middle School Boys' Intramurals in April. The intramurals are developmental and designed to introduce the game of volleyball. Each session will cover various aspects of the game including, serving, passing, setting, hitting and game play. No experience is necessary.

The league is open to all boys in grades 6th - 8th.

Session Dates: April 8, 15, 22, 24 Location: South Fayette Middle School

Time: 3:00-5:00

You can sign up by accessing the form below. https://tinyurl.com/yhymjeew

Please contact Coach Sundgren with any questions.

sesundgren@southfayette.org



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Tickets as low as

\$31.99

if purchased by June 4th (price increases to as low as \$35.99 after above deadline)

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CLICK HERE FOR PURCHASE INSTRUCTIONS.

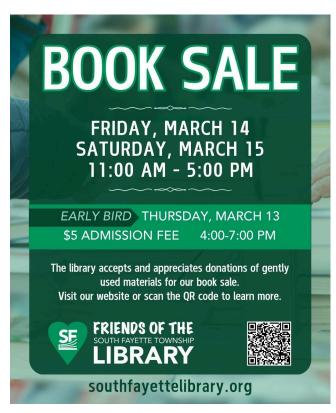




Community Activities











Big fun. New friends.

Best friends are magic. With them by your side, jungle gyms turn into castles, bath towels become superhero capes, and everything feels just a little

more possible. Being a Girl Scout opens your world to the forever friends who help you shine your brightest. Join





today at gswpa.org/join.

South Fayette Municipal Building 323 Hickory Grade Rd, Bridgeville, PA 15017 Tuesday, March 25 from 5-6:30 PM

For more information, contact Jeanie Gogal at jgogal@gswpa.org or 216-374-7825.

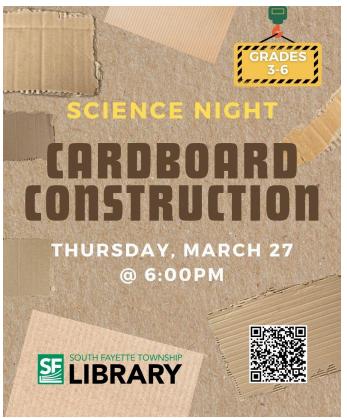
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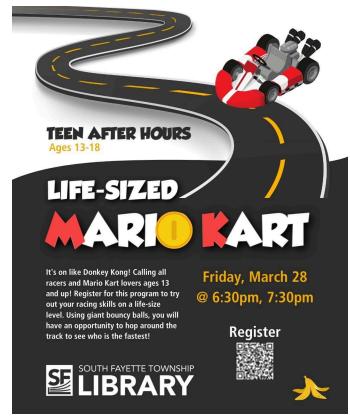




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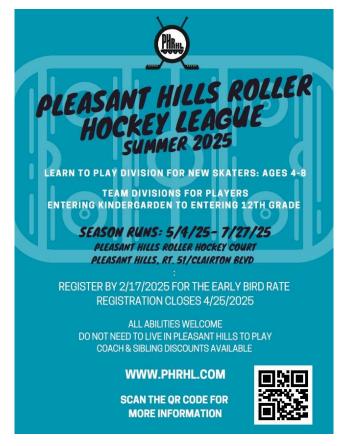




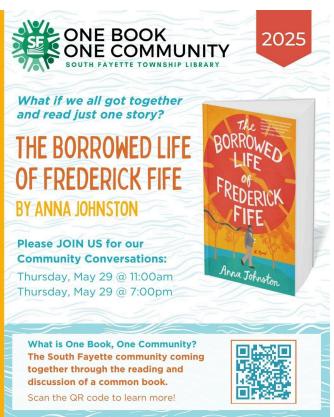








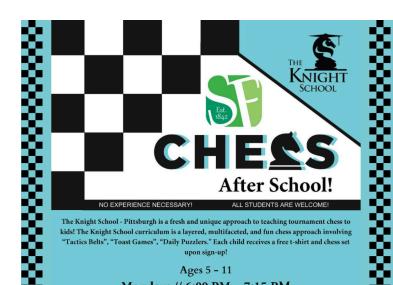












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April 7th July 28th

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