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2024 Homecoming Court Just Announced

Congratulations to the High School's most recently announced royalty...the 2024 Homecoming Court! Announced this afternoon just prior to the end of the school day, the court includes **Andre Rondon, Lucas Ahualli, Aiden Martincic, Ben Cavanaugh, Noah Mathias, Ava Cestra, Alexa Ankrum, Carly Garrubba, Piper Sanders, and Philipa Addae-Mensah!**



Students Create Peace

As part of his acceptance to the 2024 Peace Teachers Program at the United States Institute of Peace (USIP), Dr. Yerace hosted an event during lunches at the High School today in honor of the [UN International Day of Peace](#) (which actually takes place tomorrow). Students were invited to participate in several activities including:

- Completing cards with what Peace means to them and their personal Peace Day Challenge
- Making origami cranes and learning the story of Sadako Sasaki and the history of peace cranes
- Creating kindness cards



The Student Government and SF BeWell groups worked with Dr. Yerace and also offered assistance in registering eligible students to vote and provided resources on conflict resolution.

There was a great turnout and many inspiring Peace cards now decorate the HS Commons.

The UN's International Day of Peace is an observance that aligns well with our district's ongoing efforts to create a more inclusive and connected environment. Established in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly, it serves as a reminder of our shared desire for peace across nations and peoples, and it offers an opportunity for us to come together and reflect on how we can contribute to a more peaceful world.

Cultural Celebration in South Fayette

This week began National Hispanic/Latin Heritage Month which runs from September 14 through October 15. This 30-day period allows us to shine a spotlight on the rich histories, diverse cultures, and remarkable contributions of American citizens with roots in Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America, and Spain. September 15th marks the Independence Day for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. The celebrations continue with Mexico's independence on September 16, followed by Chile's on the 18th and Belize's on the 21st.

Our South Fayette district community is enriched by the presence of many faculty, staff, and students with Hispanic/Latin heritage, and we are honored to take this time to celebrate them and learn about their culture. Specifically, on October 11, we are hosting our third annual Dress Like Your Culture Day during which students, faculty, and staff in all schools are encouraged to dress in attire that represents their ethnicity. Additionally, the same afternoon is the second Tour of Latin America taking place in the High School Studio during which students will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in the diverse cultures of Latin America. SF parents Brent and Viviane Rondon and Mrs. Rondon's colleagues at Covestro will represent the eight countries of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Peru, and Venezuela - all under one roof and visiting students receive their own SF Passport with stamps from each "country" for a unique keepsake of their journey.

Please plan to participate, and ¡Celebremos juntos! (Let's celebrate together!)

Reminders

- Campus construction updates are available online at a [dedicated page](#) on the district website.
- The South Fayette Hockey Association's Jr. Lion's program is offering reduced fees of only \$300 for the 2024-2025 season thanks to a donation. Register online at: <https://pihslions.sportngin.com/register/form/818138403>

Student and Staff Shout Outs

★ Congratulations to the eleven high school students who learned this week that they are part of the 50,000 highest scorers nationally in the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program: **Ryan Baldigowski, Mark Baumcrazt, Bedirhan Bircan, Pavithra Dantu, Joseph Gubinsky, Dharini Maruthu Pandian, Luke Miller, Adit Patel, Caroline Praveen, Samihah Saleem, and Raneem Shedeed!** The Program recognizes them as Commended Students for their exceptional academic promise.

★ Way to go **Boys Varsity Golf Team** members, **Sam Bishop, Trevor D'Alessandro, Randal Fisher, Brady Newman, Noah Nickolas, and Jackson Stephens**, who competed at the WPIAL Section Individual Qualifiers at Moon Golf Course on Tuesday, September 17! Sam was a low medalist with a score of 69 and Brady's and Randal's scores of 75 and 78 respectively, also advance them to the next round.


★ Very Lion Proud of **Natalia Fittipaldo, Delilah Fritz, Rylie Mendenhall, Cesa Pusateri, and Olivia Valentino** who represented the **Girls Varsity Golf Team** and competed at the WPIAL Section Individual Qualifiers at Hickory Heights GC on Tuesday, September 17!

★ 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: **Gia Longo and Violet Stover**; 4th Grade: **Alexis Jarnagin and Sandra Marzougui**; 5th Grade: **Lyra Halloran and Austin Wilbourn**. Congratulations and great job!

★ Congratulations to last week's Lion Pride winners at the ES for the PBIS Program: Kindergarten: **Aarav Kumar and Nico Scarmazzi**; 1st Grade: **Ines Park and Alana Vingas**; 2nd Grade **Max Sickafoose and Rohan Srivastava**. 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

 Drew Welhorsky was named the [Observer-Reporter Athlete of the Week!](#) Congrats!

 The Middle School's Mrs. Beck was quoted in a [Post-Gazette article](#) about newly forming unified robotics teams in Southwestern PA.

Events Next Week

September 21, 2024

Festival of the Bands, 7 pm,
Stadium

September 24, 2024

Coffee & Conversation with
District Leadership, 9 am, Pride
Room
HS Financial Aid Virtual Night,
6:30 pm
School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm,
HS Studio

September 23, 2024

Two-Hour Delay for Students

September 26, 2024

Homecoming Carnival, 4:30 - 8:30
pm, Stadium

September 23 - 27, 2024

Homecoming Spirit Week!
IS PTA Book Fair

September 27, 2024

Home Football Game vs. Baldwin,
7 pm, Homecoming

Upcoming Dates to Remember

September 28, 2024

Homecoming Dance, 7 pm, HS Gym

September 30 - October 4, 2024

ES PTA Book Fair

October 3, 2024

Rosh Hashanah
Little Lions Early Learning Academy Picture Day
Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, 7 pm, HS Theatre

October 4, 2024

Home Football Game vs. Upper St. Clair, 7pm, Hall of Fame and 1st Responder Recognition

October 9, 2024

MS PAC Meeting, 9 am

October 11, 2024

Dress Like Your Culture Day

October 12, 2024

Navaratri
Yom Kippur

October 14, 2024

Columbus Day
Indigenous Peoples' Day
No School for Students

October 15, 2024

ES/IS Fun Fest
MS Picture Retake Day
School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

October 16, 2024

Picture Day at ES & IS

October 17, 2024

HS Picture Make Up Day for Underclassmen
HS Picture Day for Senior Personalities and Class of 2024

October 21, 2024

Two-Hour Delay for Students

October 22, 2024

School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, HS Studio

October 31, 2024

Halloween
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 9, 2024

Fall Showcase, 7 pm, HS Theatre

November 11, 2024

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

November 12, 2024

PTA General Membership Meeting, 7 pm, ES Library

November 13, 2024

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

November 16, 2024

Garba Festival, 7 pm, HS Gym



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

CLICK HERE TO ORDER

LAUNCHING
our SFHS Soccer Spirit Sale!

Order soon – deadline for orders is Sept 22.
 Pick up the week of Oct 21 at Stadium.
 Delivery options available.

 <https://sfssoccer2024.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>

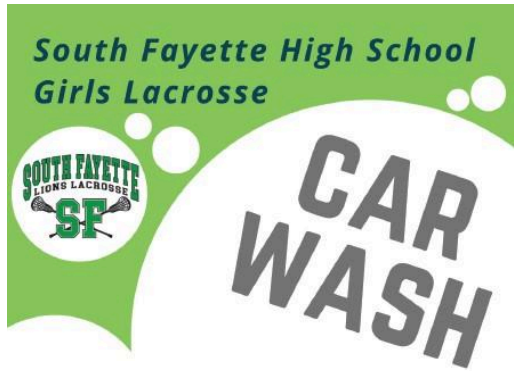
Cross Country Team Car Wash Fundraiser

Run on over to the
 Sunoco Station on
 Millers Run Road!

Sunday, Sept. 22
10 am and 2 pm

Donations will be taken on site.

Thank you for supporting the
 SF Lions Cross Country Team.



Saturday, October 5th
(Rain Date Sunday, Oct 6th)

10:00 am to 2:00pm

Sunoco on Millers Run Rd



Donations appreciated!

District Events

**SOUTH FAYETTE
BAND FESTIVAL**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024
7:00 PM

SOUTH FAYETTE STADIUM
3680 OLD OAKDALE RD - MCDONALD, PA 15057

Admission: \$10 Adults; \$5 Students/Senior Citizens
Gates open at 6:00 PM

9 HS Marching Bands, Food Trucks, Raffles, & More!

COFFEE & CONVERSATION
with District Leadership

Join District Leadership for Coffee in The Pride Room, located in the Administrative Offices.*

Our District Superintendent and fellow leaders will provide updates on the exciting ways the District is "Future-Focused, Student-Centered, and Innovation-Driven."

To attend, please register:
bit.ly/4e5E8MY

September 24
9 - 10 am

October 16
4 - 5 pm

December 11
9 - 10 am

*Use the stairs or elevator on the left side of the breezeway to proceed to the 2nd level.

**SOUTH FAYETTE
HOMECOMING
CARNIVAL**

When:
Thursday, September 26, 2024
4:30-8:30 PM

Where:
South Fayette Stadium
Admission is free

What to expect:
Lots of fun carnival games, bounce house, obstacle course, dunk tank, food trucks including Totopo, Pittsburgh Halal, R&G Smokeshack, Pittsburgers, Hibachi Lou, Kona Ice, Millie's, Frio's Pops, Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck, a performance by the LGM at 8:00, and more!!

Sponsored by South Fayette Student Government

Homecoming Dance

YOU'RE INVITED

Saturday,
September 28
7:00* - 10:30 pm
HS Gym

IT'S NEON NIGHT

Purchase \$25 Tickets Online Only
bit.ly/SFHOMECOMING2024

Online form also serves as your permission form.

?s Email sjmcardle@southfayette.org

*Attendees must be checked in at the dance no later than 7:30 pm.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF BOYS INTENDING TO TRY OUT FOR SF BASEBALL

A meeting will be held for parents/guardians of boys intending to tryout for the South Fayette Varsity, Junior Varsity and Jr. High (grades 7-9) baseball teams in the spring on **Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.**

Coach Morgan will share information about the baseball program followed by a discussion of the Baseball Booster's fundraising plans for the 24/25 year; the spring Florida trip for the JV & Varsity teams; and finances and budget.

Holiday Cash raffle tickets will be distributed to families in grades 9-12. Like in years past, each family must pre-pay for and sell 20-\$20 tickets. Families with 2 players in the program are asked to sell 30 tickets. Cash, check or Venmo will be accepted.

Thank you,
SFBBA Boosters Board

SOUTH HILLS COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR

Tuesday, October 8, 6 - 8:30 pm

You are invited to the annual SOUTH HILLS COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR hosted by the South Hills Consortium.

Bethel Park High School will be hosting this event on Tuesday, October 8 from 6 - 8:30 pm.

Scan the Code to Register!
The event is free. SF students must register with StriveScan for the event. This allows you to easily share your information with the colleges you are interested in.
<https://app.strivescan.com/registration>

With over 100 vendors in attendance, student will have the opportunity to learn about many different types of colleges & post-secondary programs, including 2- and 4-year schools, trade schools, and the military.

2024 Coach Mislan Fall Basketball Camp

Boys & Girls Grades K - 6th
 4 Sunday morning sessions
 (10/13, 10/20, 10/27 & 11/3)
 Details & registration @
www.sfboysbasketball.com



SHOUT

5TH ANNUAL

UNCOMMON CONFERENCE

ON JOY-EQUITY-DIVERSITY-INCLUSION (JEDI)

Friday November 8, 2024 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM South Fayette High School

Open Invitation to All Regional Schools! Register by October 11th. Seating is Limited!

UNLOCK THE FORCE OF JOY! JOIN US FOR AN INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE!

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tinyurl.com/4aah6schq

Reserve Your Spot Today to become One with the FORCE of JOY!

Community Activities

ARCHERY SLINGSHOTS GAMES CAMPFIRE

OUTDOOR FUN ACTIVITIES

No Cost

FOR 6TH TO 8TH GRADERS

SATURDAY
 SEPTEMBER 28, 2024
 10AM TO 3PM

56 PRESTLEY ROAD,
 BRIDGEVILLE, PA

RSVP & More information:
www.Troop834.org

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SOUTH FAYETTE TOWNSHIP FALL 2024 SCIENCE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

SIGN UP AT [SOUTHFAYETTEPA.COM/RECREATION](https://southfayettepa.com/recreation)



Monster Menagerie

Grades 1-3, 4:15pm-5:15pm, Tuesdays Sept. 10-24, Oct. 1
South Fayette Senior Center, 515 Millers Run Rd., South Fayette PA 15064, \$90- four-week session

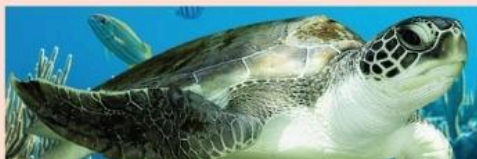
How to Catch a Crook

Grades 4-6, 4:15pm-5:15pm, Thursdays Sept. 12-26, Oct. 3
South Fayette Township Municipal Building, LaFayette Room,
100 Township Dr., Bridgeville PA 15017
\$90- four-week session



Sea Turtle Explorers

Ages 5-12
4:15pm-5:45pm Tuesdays, Oct 29.-Nov 19.
Where: South Fayette Senior Center, 515 Millers Run Rd.,
South Fayette PA 15064
\$175 -4 week session



MOVIES AT FAIRVIEW

2024

SEPTEMBER 13
OCTOBER 4

Fairview Park - Field D

Bring blankets, chairs, snacks and bug spray, and enjoy a family movie under the stars

Fridays at Dusk

SouthFayettePA.com/Recreation

JAMES M. JOHNSON SCHOOL OF AVIATION SCIENCES

CAREERS TAKE OFF

- Professional Pilot
- Advanced Piloting
- Air Traffic Control
- Aerospace Management
- Aviation High School Academy

Meet faculty and flight providers, take a tour, learn how to enroll, connect with airline, corporate aviation companies, and military representatives. In partnership with Air Heritage Museum Touch-a-Plane. Saturday, Oct 5 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Aviation Sciences Center, Beaver County Airport
- 125 Cessna Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010 -

Contact John Miggs
John.Miggs@cbc.edu

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 & 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!

South Fayette Township Puzzle Palooza



6:30pm, South Fayette Twp. Municipal Building
Ages 7 & Up, Groups of 2-6, \$5 per group
Sign up at southfayettpa.com/recreation or call 412-221-8700



Canonsburg, PA

Follow us on Facebook!

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

Hills-Hendersonville Elementary
School
50 Mayview Rd

SCORING/DETAILS

- Points awarded based on finish
- T-shirts for ALL runners
- Medals for ALL runners on Week 5
- Scan QR code and check race description on website for trophy details.

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

Scan the code to
Register Today.



EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT
\$45 FULL SERIES*
FIVE WEEK SERIES*
UNTIL THREE WEEKS FROM START DATE

\$50 FULL SERIES* **\$20 SINGLE RACE WALK-UP***
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SWIMMING AND DIVING

Steel City roars with the Lions!



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PROGRAMS:

- ✓ Competitive Swimming
- ✓ Masters Swimming
- ✓ Competitive Diving
- ✓ Lifeguard Classes
- ✓ Learn-2-Swim
- ✓ Community Swim



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STEELCITYAQUATICS.ORG

CONTACTS:

South Fayette Site Head Coach: coachclark@steelcityaquatics.org

Learn-2-Swim: learn2swim@steelcityaquatics.org

Swim Team Evaluations: evaluations@steelcityaquatics.org



REGISTRATION FEE: \$165.00
\$140.00 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL SIBLING *PLEASE FILL OUT AN INDIVIDUAL GOOGLE FORM PER CHILD*

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES: WARMUP GEAR, WRESTLERS ENTRY FEE TO OUR HOME SF TOURNAMENT, AND CONCESSION FEE FOR SF HOME TOURNAMENT.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION EMAIL:
SFTAKEDOWNCLUB@GMAIL.COM

How to register for the 24/25 season
 -Fill out this registration form
 -Attend the in person registration/ try it night October 10th @ SF middle School mat room 6:00-8:00pm (to turn in registration fee, checks, meet some of the coaches, and see some moves preformed by SF wrestlers)

-Attend the mandatory parent meeting October 21st @SF middle school cafeteria 6:00 (required for all parents)
practice will start beginning of November - March

Registration will close on 11/1/2024 at 12:00pm, no late registration will be accepted.

South Fayette Township



sound beginnings
jungle journey
themed session
student book



PARENT & ME MUSIC CLASS
AGES 4 & UNDER
THURS. JAN. 16-FEB.20
10AM-10:30AM
\$110

South Fayette Township Building
100 Township Drive
South Fayette Township PA 15017

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412-221-8700 EXT. 222

South Fayette Township
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 25
10:00AM -5:30 PM

TRAINING INCLUDES :

- ✓ Diapering
- ✓ Bottling
- ✓ Feeding
- ✓ CPR/ First Aid
- ✓ Critical Thinking
- ✓ Activity Planning
- ✓ Resume Building
- ✓ Business Planning



\$160

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