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## Welcome, Mr. Salopek, to the High School!

At the School Board meeting this week, the hiring of Mr. Thomas J. (T.J.) Salopek as High School Assistant Principal was approved. Mr. Salopek has been serving as North Allegheny Senior High School's Assistant Principal since August 2021. He was also Assistant Principal at Pine Richland High School from March 2019 through June 2021. He has a reputation for establishing strong relationships with students, staff, and his school community, and we look forward to welcoming him to campus as he begins his career as a Lion.

#### Junior Earns Cancer Research Award

For the third consecutive year, SFHS has had a team take part in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) <u>Student Visionaries Program</u>. This year's team was led by junior **Camryn Hondru**, senior **Tyler Schepis**, and sophomore **Taylor Peters**.

As a team leader, Camryn was able to apply for an LLS Mission Award. Her essay, on the topic of Research, was selected and Camryn received an award and a college scholarship. Reflecting on her personal experience in her essay, Camyrn said "I realized that the main thing to



make them feel better was to get rid of the cancer and this would only happen through the research aspect of finding a cure. This made me realize that the research is the most important part...."

The 16-member team from SF, Team Cancer Conquerors, raised approximately \$50,000 from more than 400 donors. Across the <u>Pittsburgh region</u>, there were 16 LLS Student Visionaries teams this year consisting of 155 members who raised a total of \$802,743.

### **Class of 2024 Commencement Ceremony Livestream**

The Class of 2024 Commencement Ceremony, scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 7 pm in the South Fayette Stadium, can be viewed via livestream <a href="here">here</a>. The link may also be accessed on the District and High School home pages.

### Alicia's Law Follow Up

Earlier this month, we hosted <u>Alicia Kozakiewicz</u> as a special guest speaker at the high school on the topic of internet safety. During her presentations, she shared that our Commonwealth is currently considering <u>Alicia's Law</u>, and many students have inquired about how to provide support for this legislation. Please <u>click here</u> for an example of a letter that students and/or parents can send to our state legislators in support of Alicia's Law. Our legislators' contact information is also provided.

#### Reminders

- SFTSD offers two **Summer STEAM Camps** July 8 11: for students entering grades 2 and 3 there's a dynamic program that promises hands-on learning adventures exploring bats, natural disasters, and more surprises in <u>Elementary STEAM Camp</u>! Intermediate students entering grades 4, 5, or 6 can delve into building carnival games, designing alternative energy vehicles, and launching rockets with <u>Intermediate STEAM Camp</u>!
- The **AHN Chill Project Summer Program** at the Middle School is designed to combine a fun and exciting curriculum with emotional wellness concepts for children entering grades 1 6. This 4-day program will be offered five times throughout the summer and each week will have a different theme. Info is below in Community Resources or <u>click</u> here for more details and registration.
- SFTSD will be holding a **SmartSTART Orientation** on June 17, 2024, in the Pride Room 9 am 3 pm. The SmartSTART program is for individuals with a bachelor's degree in something other than education or educators not certified in Pennsylvania. You can become a substitute teacher and enjoy the benefits that can last a lifetime. If you are interested in attending, <u>click here for more information</u>.
- You can purchase tickets for the district **Kennywood Day** on June 20 using promo code "southfayette" or buy a Good Any Day Ticket valid through July 14 using promo code "southfayetteflex." Follow <u>these instructions</u> when making your purchase.
- The SF Foundation for Excellence is hosting its 11th annual **golf outing** on July 22, 2024! Create a foursome and <u>register here</u>. And/or help with the <u>multiple levels of sponsorship</u> that are available as all are welcome and appreciated. Thank you for participating!

Another host family is needed for the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. If you are
interested in volunteering to host a student for a minimum of five months up to the
entire 2024-25 school year, please contact <u>Dr. Yerace</u> or <u>Mr. Butts</u> at the High School.
More information about the program can be found <u>here</u>.

#### **Student and Staff Shout Outs**

- ★ Good luck to the **Boys Lacrosse Team** as they play Cathedral Prep on Monday at 7:30 pm in the first round of the PIAA Championship Tournament.
- ★ Way to go **7th Grade** for collecting 395 pairs and 8 single shoes for the 2024 Soles4Souls shoe drive! Their donations help families affected by poverty and disasters. Also, repurposing these shoes diverts nearly 500 pounds from local landfills!
- ★ Super impressed by **Gouri Prasanth** who was the first student from the Fly Like a Girl (FLAG) Drone Academy to pass the FAA Remote Pilot test and is now a certified drone pilot!
- ★ Congratulations to all of our track and field athletes who qualified to participate at the PIAA State Championship last week and particularly to **Olivia Renk** who completed the event with a podium finish 7th place in the 100-meter dash!
- ★ Congratulations to the most recent recipients of the ES Principals' Pride Award! From Kindergarten: Madilynn Barksdale, Kellen Connelly, Maggie Cook, Rayen Didiano, Ezequiel Padilla, Tessa Parise, Molly Poole, Krishnan Saskikumar, Tyler Schweinberg, and Milo Sommerer; from First Grade: Max DeRicco, Landon Jackson, Jian Kanojiya, Matthew Lee, Isaac Olexa, Fitz Sappas, and Atharv Singh; and from Second Grade: Avery Scureman and Jamie Spice

## **Lions in the News**

<u>The Post-Gazette</u> included SFTSD in its article on area schools that recently received grant funds to purchase electric school buses through the federal Clean School Buses Program.

The most recent South Fayette IN Community Magazine recently arrived in mailboxes across the district and features three SF students on the cover: **Alekhya Burragada, Dan Mano,** and **Nandana Menon**. The content includes many stories of student achievement.

Events Next Week		
May 31, 2024 Senior Parade	<b>June 1, 2024</b> SAT Testing	<b>June 3, 2024</b> Senior Sunset
June 4, 2024 Early Dismissal - Last Day of School Commencement	<b>June 5, 2024</b> Commencement Rain Date	<b>June 7 - August 9, 2024</b> District Closed on Fridays

## **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

June 8, 2024

**ACT Testing** 

June 16, 2024

Father's Day Eid Al-Adha

June 18, 2024

School Board Meeting

June 19, 2024

Juneteenth

June 20, 2024

June 17, 2024

Portal

First Day of Summer Kennywood Day

Report cards available on Parent

June 25, 2024

School Board Meeting

July 22, 2024

SFFE 11th Annual Golf Outing



Have news to share?\* Article drafts, flyers, .jpg or .png images can be emailed to: Jennifer Donovan, Director of Communications at \*Submission does not guarantee placement in upcoming issue(s).

## **Community Resources**

# PARENT MEETING

SUMMER SCHOOL ALGEBRA I AND GEOMETRY

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 6 - 7 PM

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/srg-ngpq-jup

Or dial: (US) +1 828-528-5242 PIN: 975 087 610#









This camp is specifically designed to introduce and develop fundamental volleyball techniques and skills including passing, setting, hitting, serving, and game play. During each day a different aspect of athletic development will be discussed including flexibility and balance, strength training, movement skills, footwork, and jumping technique. This camp program is intended for all skill levels. No prior experience is necessary.

Coach Scott Sundgren is the head volleyball coach for both the high school and middle school teams. He has held this position for the past 25 years. In that time, the team has made 21 WPIAL playoff appearances, including seven final four matches, two finals, and six PIAA state playoff berths. He has coached all level of players from youth to Division 1.

For information email Coach Sundgren: <a href="mailto:sesundgren@southfayette.org">sesundgren@southfayette.org</a>

# SF HIGHSCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

## **CAR WASH**



SATURDAY JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>
9:00AM-2:00PM
BRIDGEVILLE SUNOCO













THE SOUTH FAYETTE HIGHSCHOOL GIRLS
BASKETBALL TEAM APPRECIATES THE SUPPORT!











The Jr Lions Developmental Ice Hockey Program will be hosting summer ice hockey training. The cost of registration is \$110, same as last year for nine 1hr weekly sessions. The registration link is provided below. The program is meant for all skill levels, including those who have never played, for any mite, squirt, or pee wee aged player (12u and below). We will also have our Varsity and JV players assisting the Junior Lions coaching staff again this summer. Full hockey equipment is required to participate. Sessions begin on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and conclude on July 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please contact Chris Gatto.



CHECK OS OUT! > SHUCHOIN. ONE

Auditions are May 30 and 31 and June 1. Additional auditions in August. Singers can sign up for an audition at <a href="https://www.shcchoir.org">www.shcchoir.org</a>



welcoming, and fun environment for all

guests. Click this ad for more information.





South Fayette Girls Lacrosse Summer Sessions

Where: South Fayette Stadium
When: Tuesday nights 6:00-9:00pm \*

June 25-July 30

Cost: \$100 or \$20 per session - cash, check or

Venmo @Michael-Jordan-811

Contact Coach Michael Jordan: sfladylionslaxcoach@gmail.com
\*More information and registration click here\*

9-12 K-6 7-8 Warm Up Warm Up Warm Up Stickwork Stick work Stick work Footwork Footwork Footwork Positions **Fun Games** Games Off/Def \*6-7pm Competitions schemes \*7-8pm \*7-8pm











**EXCELLENCE** 

## at Hickory Heights Golf Club

Monday, July 22, 2024 • 9 am Shotgun Start

#### **Includes:**

**Breakfast Sandwiches** Lunch Buffet Raffles

**Award Presentations** Skill Prizes

Hole in One Opportunity Mulligans

50/50

And More!

\$150 per Golfer \$600 per Foursome

## Online Credit Card Payments:

Registration: https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk\_ccf27da4 Sponsorship: https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk a942d719

## **Registration Due by June 28**

For more information, contact: Maureen Pedzwater 412.519.4298 mapedzwater@southfayette.org





# AHN Chill Project™ Summer Program



New program for the Summer! Join us for AHN Chill Project™ Summer Program where students are encouraged to thrive in an environment that nurtures their creativity and emotional well-being through sports, art, STEAM and play! The AHN Chill Project™ Summer Program is based on our mission to Spark Change and Transform Lives.

# FOR THOSE ENTERING GRADES 1-6 MONDAY-THURSDAY 9-3



South Fayette School District Middle School





## **WEEKS:**

Week #1 Superhero Self June 24-June 27

Week #2 Feelings Detective July 1-July 3 (no 7/4)

Week #3 Cultural Kindness July 8–July 11 Week #4 Challenge Champions
July 15- July 18

Week #5 Problem Solving Expedition
July 22-July 25

\*no Summer Program on Fridays



Cost per week(Mon-Thurs): \$225 4th of July week (Mon-Wed): \$175 READY TO REGISTER? CLICK HERE!





AHN Chill Project™ Summer Program '24 Directors: Kristy Frohliger and Izzy Cutler, LSW, HSV, RYT Contact: chillsummerprogrameahn.org for more information



Date: July 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Time: 6:00 - 8:00 PM Location: South Fayette Stadium

Price: \$60

To Register: www.southfayettefootball.com

Registration due by July 19th. Late registration does not guarantee exact shirt size.





Save the Date:

# **Summer Programming June 24-28, 2024**

with Pittsburgh OVR Early Reach

9-12th grade students with disabilities in Allegheny County are invited to a weeklong program with Early Reach!

Come learn skills needed for employment and independent living!

Programming 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM daily.

Location: TBD

Includes: Hands-On Activities, & Community Tours

Early drop off available from: 9:00-10:00 AM. Pickup available from: 2:00-3:00 PM.

To Sign Up or Ask Questions - Email:

ra-li-ovrpghpets@pa.gov



South Fayette families interested in attending should email <u>Dr. Bell</u>.



#### **FALL 2024 REGISTRATION**

## South Fayette Soccer

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Program	Age Groups	Birth Years	Registration	
In House Program	U6 to U12	2013 to 2019	<b>Period:</b> In-House:	
Travel Program	U10 to U14	2011 to 2016	May 2 - June 30, 2024	
5v5 High School Recreation League	8th to 12th grade		Travel: May 2	
More information available Under the Programs tab at southfayettesoccer.org			- June 9, 2024	

## **How to Register:**

Visit southfayettesoccer.org

Click the "Login" or "Register" button at the top right of the page.

More information about Uniforms, Travel Evaluations, and Volunteering is also available online.



SAVE THE DATE
REGISTRATION FOR GRADES 3-8 TRYOUTS
WILL OPEN JULY 2024
WWW.SFBOYSBASKETBALL.COM



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