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SFHS Recognized by State for Civic Engagement

The PA departments of State and Education announced this week that South Fayette is one of 36 high schools in the commonwealth to win a Governor's Civic Engagement Award (GCEA) for the 2023-24 school year. Like last year, South Fayette High School has received a silver award which goes to schools where 65% of eligible students are registered to vote.

Additionally, for the first time, a South Fayette student has received a Student Poll Worker Award for participating in a voter registration event at school and serving as a community poll worker on Election Day in November. Congratulations, **Alexa Ankrum**!

"With only months left before a pivotal election, it is more important than ever for young people to get ready to vote and to make their voices heard," said Secretary of Education Dr. Khalid N. Mumin. "This year's GCEA winners understand that democracy is not a spectator sport, and their hard work will have an impact not just in Pennsylvania – but across the nation."

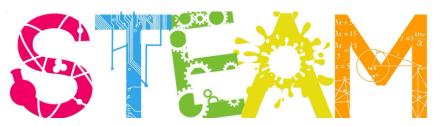
A virtual awards ceremony will be livestreamed at 10 am May 29 on the Department of State's Facebook and X pages as well as pacast.com/live/dos.



Summer Programs at SF to STEAM Up and Chill Out

Summers are getting STEAM-y

Younger students have the opportunity for an unforgettable journey of exploration and creativity at the South Fayette School District's Summer STEAM Camps! Those entering grades 2 and 3 may participate in a dynamic program that promises hands-on learning adventures exploring bats, natural disasters, and more surprises! Intermediate students entering grades 4, 5, or 6 will delve into building carnival games, designing alternative energy vehicles, and launching rockets! With tuition set at \$100, these enriching experiences await from July 8 - 11. Be sure to sign up SOON! More details are available on the flyer on page 7 or click HERE for Intermediate STEAM Camp registration.



A Summer Chill by AHN

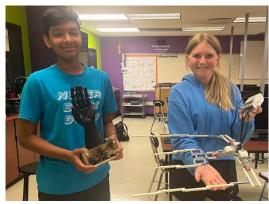
There's a new summer program being offered at SF this season! The AHN Chill Project Summer Program at the Middle School is designed to combine a fun and exciting curriculum with emotional wellness concepts for children entering grades 1 - 6. This 4-day program will be offered five times throughout the summer and each week will have a different theme (below). Don't wait to register as each week is limited to 50 participants.

"I am excited to get this new program up and running at South Fayette!" said Kristy Frohliger, Summer Program Director and Behavioral Health School Educator at the Middle School. "It's the first of its kind in our area, and is a great opportunity for students to have fun in a day camp environment, while learning interpersonal skills and sportsmanship."

For a child-friendly, enriching experience this summer, look no farther. Additionally, local community members, such as the SF Library, Millie's Homemade Ice Cream, and the Drone Academy will be visiting! For more details and registration information, see the flyer on page 9 or click here.

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Middle Schoolers use free time to partner on worldwide STEM research



Jonathan and Mackenzie with their robotic projects.

Throughout the school year, a group of middle schoolers has been meeting weekly after school and three Saturdays per month under the name ABLE (Asset-Based Learning Environments). Working with **Mr. Mannarino** and **Mr. Wachter**, they meet online with peers from other schools across the country and the world to partner on unique multi-media, STEM-based research projects which they have the opportunity to showcase in Saturday morning Zoom sessions. The world-wide project is organized out of Pepperdine University.

On December 16, 2023, **Wrennon Huber**, **Mackenzie Lawrence**, and **Sahana Subramanian** presented their

projects as part of the Student Showcase for the international NSF. This past Saturday, May 18, Saanvi Gutta, Aarib Kamal, Meghana Kolli, Jack Luo, Adalia Mathew, Arhant Mithipati, Jonathan Philip, Alayana Tandon, Saanvi Yerasi, and Mikhail Zachariah presented their group research projects. Sahana, Wrennon, and Mackenzie presented again as well. Project topics included robotics, coding, pesticide alternatives, rocketry, and fingerprint patterns, and their partners were located in Louisiana, Nevada, California, Kenya, Ghana, Mexico, Brazil, and Canada.

"ABLE not only allows you to work and learn more about your project, but also allows you to interact with kids your age across the globe and learn more about their learning environment," said Jonathan.

Can you be a substitute teacher at SF? Yes!

Great schools need great teachers. Whether you are thinking about a career in education, returning to the workforce, or just looking to give back, SmartSTART has employment opportunities for you at South Fayette Township School District. 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. South Fayette Township School District will be holding a SmartSTART Orientation on June 17, 2024, in the Pride Room 9 am - 3 pm.

If you are interested in attending, click here for more information.

Reminders

• 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 these instructions 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

- ★ Congrats to the following student athletes who recently committed to continuing their education and athletic careers in college: **Evabella Cox** at Slippery Rock University, **Nico Lamonde** at Baldwin Wallace University, **Tyler Nicholson** at Baldwin Wallace University, **Cella Pusateri** at Seton Hill University, **Olivia Renk** at Saint Francis University, and **Adam Thompson** at Penn State Behrend.
- ★ Way to go members of the SF Girls Varsity Lacrosse team who were selected to All-Section Teams! First Team: Tessa Schwarzmiller and Brooklyn Spruit; Second Team: Tessie Frommeyer and Chloe Sheader; Honorable Mention: Reese Bohinski and Delaney Duchess.
- ★ So proud of the members of the SF Boys Varsity Lacrosse team who were selected to All-Section Teams! First Team: Carter DeWitt, Owen Makar, Travis Watkins, and Drew Welhorsky; Second Team: Cooper Hillebrand, Ryan Mey, and Wade Scholar; Honorable Mention: Pierce Hondru and Bryce Watkins.
- ★ Congratulations to the most recent recipients of the ES Principals' Pride Award! From Kindergarten: Clare Bizzack, Rory DiLorenzo, Reagan Dodd, Eva Grayburn, Avery Lutz, Jake Mock, and Bakhromjon Urakov; from First Grade: Abigail Barney, Madoc Boxx, Caleb Budavich, Olivia Galati, Vedant Gullapalli, Vaani Jagani, Rebekah Shirey, and Roman Talotta; and from Second Grade: Donovan Geisler, Liam Harvey, Brody Hermann, Jacob Medvec, Teresa Paoliceli, and Ava Vogt.

Lions in the News

🦁 The Almanac shared photos of our STARS prom-goers in the May 19 print edition.

If you listened to the eSchool News podcast on May 9 featuring Dr. Matt Callison, the full interview was released on their <u>website</u> on May 22 under the title, "Personalized Learning: eSN Innovation Roundtable."

Events Next Week

May 27, 2024 Memorial Day - District Closed May 28, 2024 School Board Meeting May 29-31, 2024 6th Grade Camp Kon-O-Kwee (2nd Group) May 29, 2024

Senior Class Picnic

May 30, 2024

Commencement Practice and Senior Walk Baccalaureate

June 7 - August 9, 2024

May 31, 2024

Commencement Practice ES & IS Track and Field Day Senior Parade

June 1, 2024

SAT Testing

Upcoming Dates to Remember

June 4, 2024

Early Dismissal - Last Day of School Commencement

District Closed on Fridays

June 20, 2024 Kennywood Day

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



Athletic Training Student Aides Wanted!!

South Fayette Sports Medicine is introducing a new program in partnership with South Fayette High School's athletic trainers. We are looking for individuals who are interested in a career in sports medicine and looking to get hands-on experience. If this is you, consider scanning the QR code below! Apply today!



LET'S CELEBRATE!

JUNE 4 FROM 6-8 PM **HEINZ HISTORY CENTER**



Join us as we celebrate all the schools that have shared their Joint as we creather at its estroious that have stated their knowledge with the world through their wisdom corridor! Enjoy a free, family friendly evening with activities, food and drinks, and recognition of all of the wisdom corridor feature schools. A brief program will begin at 7:00 pm









Track & Field Summer Youth Program

for SF residents entering grades K - 8

More info and registration at: bit.ly/4dXYE3d

Receive instruction from the current High School and Middle School coaches, alumni, and team members. Begins May 28. Includes 9 practices and a final meet on June 17.

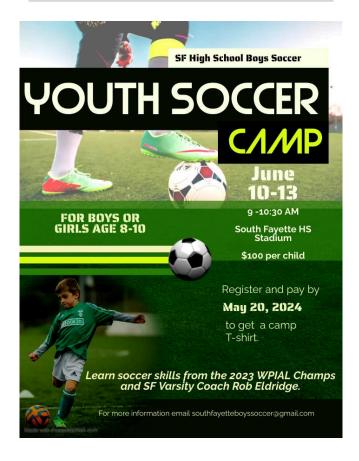




This camp is specifically designed to introduce and develop fundamental volleyball techniques and skills including passing, setting, hitting, serving, and game play. During each day a different aspect of athletic development will be discussed including flexibility and balance, strength training, movement 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: sesundgren@southfayette.org





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



CHECK US OUT! >SHCCHOIR.ORG

Auditions are May 30 and 31 and June 1. Additional auditions in August. Singers can sign up for an audition at www.shcchoir.org









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





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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 22nd & 23rd 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	Period: 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 av	- 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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