

MIDDLE SCHOOL DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS
Tuesday, April 25, 2017
DAY 2

CLUBS and ACTIVITIES:

April 24 through April 28, 2017

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PSSA Testing – Math
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Book Club has been postponed until May 3, 2017.
MANDATORY Dress Rehearsal starting at 3

Thursday:

Friday:

Deadline for Photography Contest – See Mr. Schrom
The SAMS Talent Show will be held in the SAMS Auditorium at 7:00 pm.
Student Call Time is 6:00 pm.

7th grade Students interested in auditioning for Wind Ensemble or Jazz Band for next year, please see Mrs. Spondike in Room 130 to sign up for a time and get the requirements.

Do you enjoy playing board games? Do you like using strategy to defeat your opponents? Join Mr. Reagle in Room 340 after school until 5:00 on Mondays for Strategy Game Club. You can learn to play ancient games like Chess, Backgammon, and Go. Or, master modern games such as 7 Wonders, Risk, and Pirate's Cove. Explore card-based games like Magic the Gathering or miniature-based games like Star Wars X-wing. It's time to outwit your opponents. Game On!

Yearbook and Photography will hold its end of the year celebration today from 3-4pm in Room 237.

Attention all aspiring photographers, artists and creative people....The Northern Area Gifted Consortium is sponsoring a photography contest. Each photographer is allowed to enter one photo in each of 5 categories. The deadline for entries is April 28th. Please see Mr. Schrom in room 165 for information sheets or pick one up at the desk in the main lobby.

The FACS and Nature Clubs are sponsoring the Art of Self Defense for students to learn techniques to keep yourself safe. The class will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 from 3 to 4 pm. Instructor Master Cottage from Young Brothers Tae Kwon Do will be here to conduct the class. Please see Mrs. Bowser or Ms. Legnine if you are interested in coming. Flyers are also available on the curvy counter outside of the Activities Office.

Tryout information for the 2017-18 Shaler Area Marching Band Auxiliary units is now available. If you would like to try out to be on the Dance Team, Majorettes, or Silk Line next year, please pick up a packet on the curvy counter outside of the Activities Office. Tryout practices will begin on Monday, May 15th.

The Shaler Area School District's PTOs are combining to produce SHALER AREA'S GOT TALENT, a family-oriented Variety Show celebrating the talents of the Shaler Area Communities on Friday, May 5, 2017 at the Shaler Area Middle School. The show will be from 6:30 to 9:00. Tickets are \$5.00. All proceeds benefit the Shaler Area School District's PTOs. For more ticket information see ajune1@verizon.net. General inquiries please see shalerareadistrictfundraiser@gmail.com. Additional information can be found on the following Google link <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-JZfozjtIc9ZFM3YkZ6TFMzV2FsZ2Y2YzJPNXRFSVpoXzNJ/view?usp=sharing>

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY: Students and parents who are considering participation in "Take Your Child to Work Day" should review the Principal's letter and board policy 204.1 on the Middle School website.

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Kennywood Tickets - Only cash or money orders will be accepted. No personal checks. You may purchase your tickets online at www.kennywood.com/shaler. Tickets are available for purchase up until the school picnic date. Additional processing fee will apply. Additionally tickets will be available Thursday, May 4 and Friday May 5 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Administrative Office.

SPORTS:

April 24 through April 28, 2017

Tuesday:

Boys' BLUE Volleyball has an away match against Montour. Students are dismissed at 2:10. Bus leaves Shopping Center Side at 2:20.

Boys' WHITE Volleyball has a home game against Butler in SAMS Gym A at 3:30.

Girls' BLUE Softball has a home game against Woodland Hills at SAHS Anderson Field.

Girls are dismissed at 2:35. Take Bus 546 on the Cafeteria Side to get to the field.

MS Baseball has a home game against Hempfield at the SAES field at 3:45. Students are dismissed at 2:35.

The Girls' WHITE Softball team will practice today at SAMS Gym B from 5 to 6:30.

DUE TO THE WEATHER AND CHANGES IN THE SCHEDULES FOR THE SPORT TEAMS, ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL ONLY GO 1 DAY IN ADVANCE. SORRY FOR THE INCONVENIENCE.

ATTENTION Girl Softball players - The bus shuttle for the softball team to go to Anderson field is **BUS 546**. The bus will pick up on the Cafeteria Side at dismissal. Sorry for the confusion.

Directions to all of our games and matches can be found at our website at www.sasd.k12.pa.us. Go to the red ribbon at the top of the page and click on Athletics and then to the drop down menu for directions.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND CAMPS:

The Shaler Area Lady Titan Golf Camp is inviting all girls in grades 6 through 12 to a fun evening of golf skills; including basic swing, putting and chipping. All equipment including clubs and balls will be provided. Please wear comfortable attire and tennis shoes. The Camp will be held at the Marzolf Primary School Gymnasium on April 25, 26, and 27 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. The cost to attend the three sessions is \$40.00. For more information, please email smyerss@sasd.k12.pa.us.

The Shaler Area Boys' Basketball Boosters are sponsoring a Spring Dodgeball Tournament on Saturday, April 29th, 2017 from 9:00 to 1:00 pm at the Middle School Gym. The cost per team is \$30.00. This is a co-ed tournament. Every team must have at least 2 girls on the floor in order to compete. Grades 7, 8, 9 will complete in Division A, Grades 10, 11, 12 will compete in Division B. This is a single elimination tournament. Deadline for team entry is April 22, 2017. For additional information please email Mr. Interthal at interthaldave@sasd.k12.pa.us or Mr. Kepresos at Kepresos@sasd.k12.pa.us

Shaler Area Boys' Basketball Boosters is sponsoring a Spring Hoops Shooting Camp for boys in grades 2 through 8 on May 1st through May 4 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Scott Elementary School Gymnasium. Cost of the camp is \$50.00 (Checks made payable to SABBA). Deadline for registration is Monday, April 24th, 2017. For more information, please contact Rob Niederberger, Shaler Area Head Boys' Basketball Coach at robnieder@yahoo.com or 412-780-8718.

Shaler Area Inline Hockey is holding 2017-2018 Player Evaluations (based on grade entering in Fall 2017) at Alpha Ice Harmarville (66 Alpha Drive W. Pittsburgh, PA 15238) for all levels at the dates and times below. Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the starting time as play evaluations start promptly.

Wednesday, May 3 @ 6:15- 8 pm Elementary (3rd – 6th Grade)
Monday, May 8 @ 6:15 – 8 pm Middle School (7th – 8th Grade)
Wednesday, May 10 @ 6:15-8 pm High School (9th – 12th Grade)

Additional information can be found on the flyers on the Curvy Counter outside of the Activities Office. For additional information, please contact shalerinline@yahoo.com

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO PARENTS:

ATTENTION PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Students will take the PSSA tests throughout the month of April and May:

April 25 & 26, 2017	PSSA-Mathematics
May 3, 2017	PSSA-Science (8th grade only)

Please also take a moment to review the letters from the Principals regarding the 2017 PSSA testing and rules for electronic devices which are posted on the SAMS website:

http://www.sasd.k12.pa.us/shalerareamiddleschool_home.aspx

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Shaler Area School District will meet the needs of all students by committing to high expectations for learning, engaging in rigorous instructional practice, and implementing the aligned and relevant curriculum.

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Students please remember to bring a calculator for math PSSA on April 25th and 26th.

ATTENTION 7th Grade Parents:

The whole 7th grade will be going to Kiwanis Park for fun and swimming on Tuesday, May 30th. As indicated in the 2016-2017 Shaler Area Middle School Student Handbook (pages 2-3); it is a privilege for students to attend school sponsored activities such as field trips. Students, who cause excessive discipline problems in school, fail to maintain academic progress, do not meet attendance requirements, or do not fulfill financial obligations (i.e.-library fines, cafeteria balances) forfeit their opportunity to participate in school sponsored activities, trips, or team rewards.

Given the parameters set forth in our student handbook, the principal will make the final determination regarding student eligibility for this trip and parents will be informed in advance if their child becomes ineligible for the trip. Please note that any student suspended in school or out of school during the 4th 9 weeks will not be eligible to attend.

PTO

WAFFLE WEDNESDAY May 3, 2017 @ 6:30am

The SAMS PTO is showing all staff appreciation the week of May 1st-5th. Something special we do for them is Waffle Wednesday. We cook breakfast and offer them grab and go items as well. We are in need of donations. Items needed are listed below. Please contact JoyceKobert@gmail.com or StephanyLang@comcast.net to confirm your donation. If you prefer, there is also a quick and easy link to submit online, click [Staff Appreciation Form](#) or type <https://goo.gl/forms/ttcoagdid5C33rB93>. Please have your donated items at the school by Tuesday, May 2nd unless other arrangements have been made.

We also need help cooking, serving, and clean up starting 6:30am until 9:00ish. I realize this is early, but it is just a few hours, and only one day. Please consider helping us. We will supply coffee!

The following item(s) are needed for breakfast on Wednesday May 3rd:

- Fruit for waffle toppings (sliced/diced) - strawberries, blueberries, etc.
- Bananas (bunch, not sliced) Apples, Oranges
- Nutella or other spread
- Maple Syrup

Chocolate Syrup
Whipped Cream
Powdered Sugar
Butter (spreadable container)
Granola or other breakfast snack bars
Donuts or Danishes
Muffins

Waffle Wednesday started at the primary level. Let's keep it going!!

Thank you,

Joyce Kobert
PTO President, SAMS
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JoyceKobert@gmail.com

ATTENDANCE:

STUDENTS: Students are reminded that they must provide a written excuse for all absences. Students should report to homeroom then bring their excuse to the Attendance Office.

Students with Early Dismissals should report to homeroom, and then bring their note to the Attendance Office where they will sign the Early Dismissal sheet and obtain a green pass for their dismissal.

TEACHERS: Please remind the students of their responsibilities.