

MIDDLE SCHOOL DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS
Thursday, March 30, 2017
DAY 1

CLUBS and ACTIVITIES:

March 27 through March 31, 2017

Thursday:

Talent Show – Audition Rehearsal 2 – Optional – from 3 to 4

Friday:

NO Library Lasagna – Library is Closed for the Day

ATTENTION PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

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

April 4 & 7, 2017	PSSA-English Language Arts
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.

The following is a letter from the Middle School Principals concerning our Middle School Spring Dance, Friday, March 31, 2017:

March 10, 2017

Dear SAMS Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to announce our final dance of the 2016-2017 school year. The theme this spring will be "Neon Night!" This spring's theme was chosen as a result of input from our entire student body, gathered through the efforts of our middle school student council members. Our student council and activities office

will be renting some strobe lights and black lights, which should make the evening a really "glowing" time for our students!

Our "Neon Night!" dance will be held on Friday March 31, 2017 from 7:00-9:00 PM in our cafeteria. Tickets must be purchased in advance at our activities office and the price of admission will be \$5.00 per person. Included in the cost of admission will be a piece of pizza.

Some simple guidelines for our final dance are as follows:

-Since "Neon Night!" is the theme, students are encouraged to wear neon colored, dress code appropriate clothing. Please do not feel compelled or pressured to venture to the store to buy any new neon colored clothing, as any bright colored clothing will work well with the lighting! We want this dance to be an enjoyable spring dance for our students, and we wish to keep things as simple as possible.

-A reminder that students who wish to attend must adhere to our guidelines for "Dances", which can be found on page 8 of the 2016-2017 Shaler Area Middle School Student and Parent Handbook. Please note that to be eligible to attend:

*Students must be in good standing academically and behaviorally (no school suspensions in the month preceding this dance)

*Students must satisfy any library fines, cafeteria debts greater than \$25, or any other financial obligations owed to the school.

We look forward to seeing our students and staff wearing their "NEON" as we enjoy our final dance of the school year!

Sincerely,

Mr. Martynuska
Principal

Mrs. Howard
Assistant Principal

Tickets to the SAMS Spring NEON Party go on sale today. They can be bought during Homeroom or during lunch. Tickets are \$5.00 and include 1 slice of pizza. As instructed by Mr. Martynuska and Mrs. Howard, any student who has a financial obligation to the library, cafeteria of over \$25.00, or iPads, will not be able to purchase a ticket. Also, remember if you have been suspended during the month of March, you are not eligible to attend the party.

Students who want to audition for the TALENT SHOW should turn in permission slips by Friday.

Those who have turned in permission slips can sign up for an audition time on the countertop in the lobby near the cage.

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 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-JZfoztIc9ZFM3YkZ6TFMzV2FsZ2Y2YzJPNXRFSVpoXzNJ/view?usp=sharing>

SPORTS:

March 27 through March 31, 2017

Thursday:

Girls' BLUE Volleyball has a home match against Deer Lakes at the Scott Elementary Gym at 4:00.

Girls' WHITE Volleyball has a home match against Penn Hills at the SAMS Gym A at 4:00.

MS Baseball has a home game against Woodland Hills at the SAES Field at 3:45.

Boys' WHITE Volleyball has an away match against Butler. Students are dismissed at 1:50. Bus leaves Shopping Center Side at 2:00.

Boys' BLUE Volleyball team – No Practice

8th Grade Boys Football – Strength Workouts – Take Bus 546 or Bus 516 to High School From 3 to 5 pm

7th Grade Boys Football – Strength Workouts – SAMS from 6 to 7:30 pm

Girls' BLUE and WHITE Softball teams will have practice from 5 to 6:30 at the Middle School, Gym B. Practice will end at 6:30 please make sure to have a ride come to pick you up at 6:30.

Friday:

Freshman Baseball has a home game against Pine Richland at the Lower Glenshaw Field at 4:00.

Congratulations to the Boys' BLUE volleyball team for their straight set victory over North Hills yesterday. The team won 25-9, 25-12

Attention All Boys Working out with the High School Football Team –Starting Tuesday, March 28th, you are to take Bus 516 ONLY to get to your practices. Bus 516 is a regular bus that picks up on the Stadium side of the school. Do not be late. The bus will not wait for you.

Attention Girls Softball Players – You are to take Bus 546 to get to your home games at Anderson Field. Bus 546 is a regular bus that leaves from the Cafeteria side of the building. Do not be late. The bus will not wait for you.

Freshman baseball players are to take Bus 503 to get to Lower Glenshaw Field for games and practices once the field is available. It is a regular bus. It picks up on the Stadium side. Do not be late. The bus will not wait for you.

MS Baseball players are to take the sports shuttle to the Elementary School for practice Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

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 Girls' Volleyball Boosters are sponsoring a fundraiser on Monday, April 10th at Chipotle's at 4861 McKnight Road in Pittsburgh between 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Bring in a flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you are supporting the cause and 50% of proceeds will be donated to Shaler Area Girls; Volleyball Boosters.

The Shaler Area Dance Team will sponsor a Mini Dance Camp on Saturday, April 1, 2017 at the Shaler Area Elementary School Gym on Scott Avenue. The camp is for student in grades Pre-K through 8 and will be held from 9:00 to 11:30 am. Cost of the camp is \$20 if pre-registered and \$25.00 at the door. For additional information please email mihalyia@sasd.k12.pa.us

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 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.

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.