

Update September 17, 2014

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mid-September marks a school year well underway. Students have transitioned well from summer and are now in the full swing of academic life at the South Shore Charter Public School. As teaching and learning pervades our classes and hallways, it is a good time to reflect upon our mission and ask ourselves if we are living up to that mission every day we are here.

If you decided to dissect our mission into key vocabulary, you would come across the words *inspire*, *excel*, *academics*, *service*, and *life*. These five are not words selected because the school community believes they sound good and look impressive on a web page; instead they were chosen because we truly believe that these words best represent who we are as a school and what we value as we make our way through each day. Also included in the mission is the pairing, *every student*, because that is who we want to inspire to reach lifetime goals and to surpass our greatest expectations.

This week we experienced some interesting discussions regarding the athletic life of the South Shore Charter Public School, the fall athletic program, and the student athletes of Levels III and IV. I would like to take this opportunity to clarify some of the decisions that were made in light of our growing athletic program and who we are as a school.

When deciding upon policies with significant impact, we always try to focus on what we as a school believe, what we as a community value, and how what we do each day relates to our mission. However, the most important focus is on children, and in this case, middle school children.

Middle school is not simply the grades between elementary school and high school, but instead, a fascinating period of childhood growth and development. Students enter the sixth grade as elementary school children and leave three years later as young adults. These three years are an exceedingly important time for young people. They are a time of testing limits, determining reasonable boundaries, and exploring individuality and self-placement within a larger world.

Physically middle school students grow and develop at different rates, girls tend to develop before boys, and there are individual variations in this development that make each day unique from the one before it. An eighth grade student who may lack the coordination to dribble a basketball in the fall may by spring develop into a young adult who can dribble and shoot up and down a court seamlessly. Predictions based upon the current ability of a middle school child are a risky endeavor. Every middle school student should have the opportunity to pursue an interest; regardless of their talent or ability at a particular point in time.

The middle school soccer team is for middle school students. Three out of the four grades in Levels III and IV are middle school grades. This means that students who are in grades six, seven and eight are invited to be members of the middle school soccer team. The prerequisite for the team is passion for the game. It is important to remember that, at the middle school level, the priority is on the development of skills and being part of the team, not on winning the game. We made this determination by keeping both our mission and the uniqueness of the middle school child in mind, and each with equal weight.

I understand how a fifth grade student may be disappointed at having to wait a year to become part of the middle school team. Many of our fifth grade students are experienced soccer players who could add considerable value during practices and competition. And some of these students may have more experience and skill than a player on the middle school team. However, a fifth grade student's ability to play a sport well cannot result in a middle school student getting cut from the middle school team just because his or her skills have not yet matched their inspiration. As a school community, that is the wrong message to send to our young people.

It is absolutely wonderful that we have a considerable number of fifth grade students who have expressed an interest in playing on the middle school team. All Level III students are welcome to play on the fifth and sixth grade intramural team. The intramural team was established this week when coaches made us all realize the need for more opportunities for *every student* with a desire to be a part of athletic life at the South Shore Charter Public School.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any questions you may have.

Thursday	09/18	Board of Trustees Development Personnel Governance Finance	7:30pm 5:30pm 5:30pm 6:15pm 6:15pm
Thurs-Fri	09/18-09/19	Senior Class Retreat	
Tuesday	09/23	Professional Development Early Release	12:00pm
Wednesday	09/24	Library Committee Work Night	4:00pm-7:00pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

News from the Library Committee

The Library Committee is holding a **Work Night** on **Wednesday Sept. 24th from 4-7pm** to continue the scanning of our materials to support the new automatized checkout system. Parent volunteers are welcome to attend for as little or as long as you are able. Please email Bev Bruce at bbruce@sscps.orgif you would like to volunteer. "More hands make the work light" is our motto!

The Computer Graphics Workshop has 2 rulers that are 76 inches in length, 12 inches high and show increments in 1/16's. It is basically a 12 inch ruler blown up to 6 ft. They are made of vinyl like a banner. Great for over your teacher's white board and will help with math problems. The pod that comes up with the best reason why they should have one, in a written paragraph, wins. Please submit your entry by October 1st to Christine in the Art Room.

From Level I

Level I would like a Sandbox! Can you help us? We are looking for a couple of handy parents who can come in, take a look at our space and let us know what supplies we need to build a sandbox outside. We have a group of high school students who will help with the building but we also need some parents to help supervise them. If you can help us, please email Kassandra at ksullivan@sscps.org or Melissa at mfreitas@sscps.org. Thank you!

FROM THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Save the date for our **6th Annual Harvest Walk/Run** on Saturday October 18th at Wompatuck State Park. Volunteer if you'd like, or sign up the family for an SSCPS discounted rate of \$40. You will receive two tech t-shirts with your SSCEF (educational fund) donation and a wonderful experience for all. We have many gracious vendors who make donations for the post-race fun. If you have friends outside the school who would like to participate in the Harvest Walk/Run please forward this link. www.harvestrun.racewire.com

School Council - Volunteers Needed

Consisting of six parents, six teachers, three students, and the Principals, the Council provides advice to the Principals and the Executive Director on budget, policy, curriculum, school evaluation, schedules, and discipline matters, while also keeping the Board of Trustees informed of developments in the School.

Any parent interested in serving on the School Council should contact Steve Hillson, the Parents Association Chair, at: steve.hillson@gmail.com

WEEKLY UPDATES ARE EMAILED AND POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT www.sscps.org EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103 OR EMAIL palgera@sscps.org

6th, 7th and 8th Graders Italy Trip, April 2015 See Venice, Florence, and Rome!

Join Us! Sign up by 9/30 to lock in your spot



We are fortunate enough to be planning our journey through EF Education, a global education company with over 50 years of abroad programming experience. They will provide an amazing educational experience, the best safety and support and, above all, the best value on the price of the tour.

We are estimating a high number of enrollments for this trip! With just \$95, you will secure your place and will be well on your way to the experience of a lifetime. Prices may increase October 1 so lock in your spot now! Make sure to enroll now on our very own tour website:

www.eftours.com/1550293WW

Again, I am so very excited at the prospect of you joining our group of travelers! If you have any questions at, please do not hesitate to contact me at coverlee@sscps.org.



South Shore Charter Public School



Dear SSCPS Families,

It's been a great pleasure being a part of such a wonderful school. The staff has been very kind and helpful in every way imaginable. The students have been cooperative and receiving of the lessons that I've taught. This letter is in regards to forming an SSCPS Before School Chorus comprised of students from Level 3-4 on **Tuesdays** from 7:20am-8:10am.

Learning to sing sophisticated music in a group setting is a great way for students to grow to express his or herself in a new way; musically. These vocal musicians will be singing in a choral setting. Knowing that they each have a specific part to play in making the music come together as a whole, and hearing how the personal voice adds to the group will feed their desire to learn and be a part of a group even more.

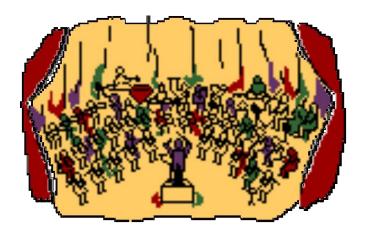
If you are interested in participating in the chorus program, please fill out the application on the back and bring it to the front desk as soon as possible. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Theron Leonard Music Teacher South Shore Charter Public School tleonard@sscps.org 781.982.4202 x318



South Shore Charter Public School Chorus



Please return this form to the front desk as soon as possible.

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Learning to play an instrument is a great way for students to grow to express his or herself in a new way; musically. These potential instrumental musicians will be playing in a band setting. Knowing that they each have a specific part to play in making the music come together as a whole, will feed their desire to learn to play even more.

There is a cost for renting an instrument, but not for participating in the program. There is a monthly **Rental-to-Own fee** for the instruments which is \$29.35 for Flutes, Clarinet, Trumpet, and Trombone; and \$45.17 for the Saxophone. The payments go toward the owning of the instrument. Soon, your child will **OWN** their **First Instrument**! The instruments will be from the company, Music and Arts.

If you are interested in participating in the afterschool band program, please fill out the application on the back and bring it to the front desk as soon as possible. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

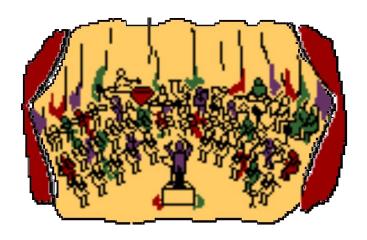
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South Shore Charter Public School Afterschool Band

Student's Name:	
Address:	
City, Zip:	
Parent / Guardian's Name:	
Contact Email Address:	
Main Telephone Number:	
Level/Grade:	
Band Instrument of Choice:	_



Please return this form to the front desk as soon as possible.

Come Play Strings!

Violin, Viola, and Cello Lessons







Lessons available right here at South Shore Charter Public School with Kevin Burokas from the Quincy Symphony

1/2 hour, 45 minute, or 1 hour timeslots before or after school

Contact Kevin Burokas in high school classroom 103 or via email at: kburokas@sscps.org for more info!

Come and learn about the most beautiful and dynamic instruments in the orchestra!



We serve creative cuisine and worthy causes.

Present this certificate to your server and your cause will receive 15% of your total purchase* every Tuesday during September 2014

Valid for Dine in or Take out

Name of Organization:

South Shore Charter Public School

Valid: September 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th 2014

*Excludes Alcohol, Tax and Gratuity



111 Pond Street Main • Norwell • 781-616-6160



Harvest Run

5K ROAD RACE - FITNESS WALK
Saturday, October 18, 2014

Wompatuck State Park Hingham, MA

Would you like your company logo on this year's Harvest Run event t-shirt? Sponsorship options are still available!

For more information visit www.sscps.org or contact Denise Demaggio at ddemaggio@sscps.org or #617-653-8246

Race Schedule:

9:00 - 10:45: Registration and t-shirt pick-up
11:00: The Harvest Run begins!
Refreshments provided after the race

Individual registration opening soon

Family discount is available for SSCPS students, staff, and their immediate families. Sign up at the back to school picnic!

All funds raised will be used to develop outdoor spaces for health and recreation at the South Shore Charter Public School.



Harvest Run

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Saturday, October 18, 2014

Wompatuck State Park Hingham, MA

SSCPS FAMILY REGISTRATION

Family Name:				
Address:				
City:		Phone#:		
E-Mail:			only \$	Date Received
I know that running is a potentially has I agree to abide by any decision of running in this race including, but no humidity, the conditions of the road a and knowing these facts, and in consi waive and release South Shore Char all sponsors, their representatives a Signature:	zardous activity. I should not a race official relative to mot limited to, falls, contact wind traffic on the course, all ideration of your acceptance ter Educational Foundation and successors from all claim	tenter or run this event unless I am me y ability to safely complete the run. I as ith other participants, the effects of wea such risks being known and appreciate e of my application, I, for myself and an , South Shore Charter Public School an ms or liabilities of any kind arising out o	sume all r ther, inclu d by me. I yone entit d the tow f my parti	risks associated with ading high heat and/or Having read this waiver ded to act on my behalf, n of Hingham, MA, and cipation in this event.
Individual Names	Runner/Walker Up to 2 runners, unlimited walkers ±\$3.50 each additional runner	Age on Race Day Gender M/F	\$7. *Gua	Shirt Size 2 shirts included, 00 each additional ranteed to those who register by September 24th*
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5.				

Pre-Race Number and T-Shirt Pick-Up:

Friday, October 17, 2014 2:00—6:30 Marathon Sports 134 Washington Street, Norwell, MA

Race Schedule:

9:00 - 10:45: Registration and t-shirt pick-up 11:00: The Harvest Run begins! *Refreshments provided after the race* SSCPS Family Registration \$40/family
Fee includes:
2 t-shirts (\$7.00 per additional t-shirt)
2 runners (\$3.50 per additional runner)
unlimited walkers

SSCPS Student Registration \$15.00/individual student/faculty

All funds raised will be used to develop outdoor spaces for health and recreation at the South Shore Charter Public School.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Ideas for students of all ages!

Family Activities

Community service is a great thing to do with the whole family! Here are some ideas to do together:

- · plant a tree
- pick up litter at your favorite park or hike
- · visit elderly neighbors

For The Younger Bunch

The lower level requirements are by the act rather than the hour.

- · donate used toys
- help someone without being asked
- · read to kindergarteners

Help Our School

Our school relies on fundraising and volunteering. Upcoming events include the Harvest Run 5K in the fall, The Annual Auction, and more!

Local Service Opportunities

SSYMCA

The Quincy YMCA is offering volunteer opportunities for youth ages 7 to 14 years old. For more info please contact Courtney at cgray@ssymca.org

Quincy Branch YMCA 79 Coddington Street Quincy, MA 02169 (617) 479-8500 X4714

Soule Homestead Education Center Junior Volunteer Program

AGES 10-15

As a Jr. Volunteer you can:

Learn how to care for the farm animals
Prepare and decorate for special events
Provide assistance in gardens, fields, wetlands
Help maintain walking trails
Engage in prep work for children's programs

For more information about JV's contact the Children's Educator in Middleborough, Laurie at 508.947.6744 or email at educator@soulehomestead.org

If you have leads for community service opportunities you'd like to share please email me the details at adrienne.mcdougall@yahoo.com.



9/16/2014 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Contact Info: Friends of Holly Hill Farm Holly Hill Farm

236 Jerusalem Road , Cohasset, MA 02025

www.hollyhillfarm.org 781-383-6565 FHHF contact: jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com

September 16 Chipotle Fundraiser 5 PM - 8 PM

Make dinner a selfless act by supporting Friends of Holly Hill Farm at Chipotle. Visit the Chipotle at Derby Street Shoppes on Tuesday, September 16 from 5 PM to 8 PM and bring or show the flyer on your smartphone (flyer available at www.hollyhillfarm.org) or tell the cashier and 50% of the proceeds will go to the Friends of Holly Hill Farm. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565. www.hollyhillfarm.org

October 3, October 6 & 7 Photos on the Farm

Book your session today! Local photographer Annemarie DeSmet of Mimi& Co. Photography will be offering limited edition sessions at Holly Hill Farm. Fabulous for holiday gifts – these charming photos of your preschoolers and little ones will be treasured for generations. Contact Annemarie@mimiandcophoto.com 425-829-2094 for reservations and details. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565, www.hollyhillfarm.org

October 4 7th Annual Discover the Woods Run 10 AM Registration: \$30 adults \$15 kids 12 & younger
Our annual Discover the Woods Run is now part of the South Shore Trail Series. The course winds through the
woods that surround the Farm's 3 acres of organically grown vegetables, flowers, and herbs, past open meadows,
grassy field edges, a brook, and a pond. Trail conditions are a combination of grass, woodland paths, wooden
bridges and mud! 5K trail run begins at 10; 1 mile fun run/walk begins at 11. Register at www.hollyhillfarm.org or
http://www.southshoretrailseries.org/. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-
6565. www.hollyhillfarm.org

October 25 Dance your Burrito Off!

Save the date! Learn to Contra Dance and enjoy a Chipotle Burrito at Holly Hill Farm. We are still pulling together the plans for an evening of dance, food and fun in the Tomato Barn and will share the details soon, but plan to join us! Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565, www.hollyhillfarm.org

November 1 Harvest Dinner & Auction 6 PM

Mark your calendars to join us for the annual Harvest Dinner and Auction. Our cozy greenhouse, decked with twinkling lights, sets the stage for a delicious dinner and auction to benefit the *Friends* of Holly Hill Farm educational programs. Details to follow. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565. www.hollyhillfarm.org

November 29 6th Annual Holly Day Fair 11 AM - 3 PM

Kick off the holiday season with a visit to our Holly Day Fair. Bring your list and check it twice! Local artisans display their crafts in the greenhouse. Pick up unique gifts for everyone on your list. Holly Hill swags and a wreath making workshop provide the holiday decor for your home. Children's activities keep young ones occupied while you shop. And food... great food is never in short supply at Holly Hill Farm! See you at the Farm! Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565. www.hollyhillfarm.org

January 1 - Annual New Year's Day Walk with Naturalist Steve Ivas

Celebrate the New Year at Holly Hill Farm. This walk has become an annual tradition for many families and we

invite you to join us. Naturalist Steve Ivas will provide a guided tour along the trails. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565. www.hollyhillfarm.org

Farm Stand Hours

Thru mid-October Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday 11 AM -6 PM

As you adjust to the new autumn routine, be sure to include a regular visit to Holly Hill's Farm Stand. We are open every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from 11-6 through mid-October. Our organic tomatoes are harvesting late this year, and are now in abundance at the Farm Stand, providing a taste of summer to those of us not yet ready to let the season go! Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. 781-383-6565. www.hollyhillfarm.org

Holly Hill Farm Happenings

Do you know of a school, PTO, organization, blogger, writer, newsletter coordinator or media outlet that would be interested in keeping updated on the happenings at Holly Hill Farm? With the start of the new academic year, we are updating our contact list and welcome any new additions to our growing community. Holly Hill Happenings is sent weekly via email and is designed for easy sharing. Organizations utilizing specific services like PeachJar can be accommodated. Contact friendsofhollyhillfarm@gmail.com.

Levels I through IV

BOKS (Before-School Fitness Program)

Organized and run by SSCPS parents Janet Daley and Iris Mahegan with support from Justina Pettinelli, Julie Burke, Caitriona Hollowed and Priscilla Kelly. The program is inspired by the Reebok Foundation's BOKS program; all the fitness leaders have been trained by Reebok. This is a no cost before-school fitness program being offered to any child in Level I through Level IV. In order to provide the best program to the children there is a limit of 40 participants, if more applications are received than spots there will be a lottery for participation. All accepted participants will be notified by email. The schedule for the program is Monday and Wednesday for Level I & II, Tuesday and Thursday for Level III & IV and Friday morning for all levels with Fridays being "game day". BOKS is held in the PE space with a very sharp start time of 7:15 (drop off begins at 7:10) and an end time of 8:00, the trainers escort all the children to the back door of the school. The Fall session will run from September 29th, 2014 through December 19th, 2014.

In order for your child(ren) to participate please fill out the below information as well as the attached application and place it in the envelop at the front desk labeled "BOKS" absolutely NO later than Tuesday, September, 23th. If all the forms are not completed your child(ren) will not be able to participate, this is to avoid liability issues that may rise.

The purpose of BOKS is to stimulate the mind by movement before the school day begins. Involvement in this program requires a commitment of the three days a week by both the parent/guardian of each child as well as the children for the duration of the 12 week session.

ALL requested information is required - Complete a separate form for each child.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

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I would like my child to participate in the Winter BOKS Morning Fitness Program							
Childs' Name:	Pod Teacher:						
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Email:							
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature:							
Home Phone: M	Iobile Phone:						

Shout Out

BOKS Trainer Volunteers

The BOKS program is looking for more adult volunteers to help during the fitness program. In order to be a trainer you will need to attend a Rebook training session. There are perks that go along with doing the training including a one day 50% discount pass.

The schedule for the program is Monday and Wednesday for Level I & II, Tuesday and Thursday for Level III & IV and Friday morning for all levels with Fridays being "game day". BOKS is held in the PE space with a very sharp start time of 7:15 (**drop off** begins at 7:10) and an end time of 8:00. The Fall session will run from September 29th, 2014 through December 19th, 2014.

Historically there have been a minimum of two twelve week sessions and a maximum of three sessions.

Available Training Sessions for new Trainers

September 16, 2014 10:00am - 2:00pm

September 17, 2014 4:00pm - 8:00pm

October 14, 2014 10:00am - 2:00pm

October 15, 2014 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Available Training Session for returning Trainers

October 16, 2014 6:00pm - 8:30pm

This is an extremely rewarding program for the children as well as the parent volunteers and all help will be appreciated.

There are a few opportunities for High School students to volunteer. However for those that wish to earn some community service hours by helping must understand this is a serious program. Their commitment must include active participation and genuine help.

All interested volunteers please contact Janet Daley at <u>jemsdaley@gmail.com</u> for more information.



Nonverbal Learning Disability: Characteristics and Treatment

Presented by: Ellen Keefe, MS, CCC-SLP Sheryl Man, MS, OTR/L

Wednesday, September 17th, 2014 7-8:30 p.m. Weymouth Location 1st Floor \$25

When

Wednesday September 17, 2014 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM EDT 7-8:30 pm Add to Calendar

Where

South Shore Therapies 163 Libbey Industrial Parkway First Floor Weymouth, Ma 02189

Driving Directions



Some of the characteristics of Nonverbal Learning Disability are:

- Difficulty understanding body language/facial expression
- Inability to grasp the "Big Picture"
- Concrete Literal Thinking
- Decreased coordination and organization
- Difficulty writing and drawing
- Problems with math and reading
- Poor self esteem

Join Ellen Keefe, MS, CCC-SLP and Sheryl Man MS, OTR/L for a discussion that will provide you with an understanding of the physical, language and social characteristics of NVLD. In addition, you will learn great strategies to help you boost your child's social and higher level language skills.

Register Now!



Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. **South Shore Charter Public School** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.75; lunch costs \$3.25. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch.

- 1. Do I need to fill out an application for each child? No. Complete only one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: Charlene Evans, Food Services Coordinator, 781-982-4202.
- 2. Who can get free meals? All children in households receiving benefits from MA SNAP, MA TAFDC or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, can get free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.



If you have received a NOTICE OF DIRECT CERTIFICATION for free meals, do not complete the application. But do let the school know if any children in your household are not listed on the Notice of Direct Certification letter you received.

- 3. CAN FOSTER CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals.
- 4. Can homeless, runaway, and migrant children get free meals? Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals. If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail

 Angie Pepin, 7-12 Principal, 781-982-4202 or apepin@sscps.org.
- 5. WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS? Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this application.
- 6. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS? No, but please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at **781-982-4202** if you have questions.
- 7. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
- 8. I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please send in an application.
- 9. Will the information I give be checked? Yes and we may also ask you to send written proof.
- 10. If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
- 11. What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Alicia Savage at 781-982-4202 or email asavage@sscps.org or by mail to 100 Longwater Circle, Norwell, MA 02061.

- 12. May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
- 13. Who should I include as members of my household? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
- 14. What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
- 15. We are in the military. do we include our housing allowance as income? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.
- 16. My spouse is deployed to a combat zone. is her combat pay counted as income? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.
- 17. My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for MA SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call the MA SNAP Hotline **1-866-950-3663**

If you have other questions or need help, call **781-982-4202x106** Si necesita ayuda, por favor llame al teléfono: **781-982-4202x106** Si vousvoudriezd'aide, contactez nous au numero: **781-982-4202x106**

Sincerely, **Kristine Bingham**

Director of Finance

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SHARING INFORMATION WITH MEDICAID/SCHIP

Dear Parent/Guardian:

If your children get free or reduced price school meals, they <u>may</u> also be able to get free or low-cost health insurance through Medicaid or the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). Children with health insurance are more likely to get regular health care and are less likely to miss school because of sickness.

Because health insurance is so important to children's well-being, the law allows us to tell Medicaid and SCHIP that your children are eligible for free or reduced price meals, unless you tell us not to. Medicaid and SCHIP only use the information to identify children who may be eligible for their programs. Program officials may contact you to offer to enroll your children. Filling out the Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application does not automatically enroll your children in health insurance.

If you do not want us to share your information with Medicaid or SCHIP, fill out the form below and send in (Sending in this form will not change whether your children get free or reduced price meals).

Medicaid or the State Children's Health In	surance Program.
If you checked no, fill out the form below to ensur below:	e that your information is NOT shared for the child(ren) listed
Child'sName	School:
 Child'sName	School:
 Child'sName	School:
— Child'sName	School:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:
Printed Name:	
Address:	

For more information, you may call Kristine Bingham at 781-982-4202x106 or e-mail at kbingham@sscps.org

Return this form to: SSCPS, 100 Longwater Circle, Norwell, MA 02061.

SHARING INFORMATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS

Dear Parent/Guardian:	
be shared with other programs for which your childs	ve on your Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application may ren may qualify. For the following programs, we must have your is form will not change whether your children get free or reduced
Yes! I DO want school officials to share inf Application with Title I Program .	Formation from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals
Yes! I DO want school officials to share inf Application with SSYMCA Afterschool Ch	formation from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals hildcare Program.
Yes! I DO want school officials to share inf Application with SSCPS Athletic & Enrich	formation from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals hment Programs.
If you checked yes to any or all of the boxes above, the child(ren) listed below. Your information will	fill out the form below to ensure that your information is shared for be shared only with the programs you checked.
Child'sName	School:
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Signature of Parent/Guardian: _______Date: _____

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Address:____

Printed Name:_____

If your child is eligible for free or reduced school meals, your child may also be eligible for

free or low cost health insurance through MassHealth.

To learn more call: 1-800-841-2900

MassHealth

Si su niño es eligible para almuerzo gratís o reducido, su niño pueda ser eligible para

> seguro de salud gratís o de bajo costo por medio de MassHealth.

Para saber mas, llame al: 1-800-841-2900





Choose one ethnicity:

MASSACHUSETTS FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS HOUSEHOLD APPLICATION SCHOOL YEAR 2014-2015

If you have received a NOTICE OF DIRECT CERTIFICATION from the school district for free meals, **do not** complete this application. But **do** let the school know if any children in the household are not listed on the **Notice of Direct Certification** letter you received

received.																	
PART 1. ALL HOUSEHOLD children living in home. Also, inc																	
NAME OF ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS (First, Middle Initial, Last) NAME OF SCHOOL CHILD ATTENDED								ΝD	S	CHECK IF A FOSTER CHILD (LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OF WELFARE AGENCY OR COURT) * IF ALL CHILDREN LISTED BELOW ARE FOSTER CHILDREN, SKIP TO PART 5.						CHECK IF NO INCOME	
PART 2. BENEFITS- MA SN											PART 3. HOME					•	
IF ANY MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD RECEIVES MA SNAP or MA TAFDC benefits, PROVIDE THE AGENCY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER* LOCATED ON THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSITIONAL ASSISTANCE (DTA) BENEFIT LETTER. SKIP TO PART 5 AND SIGN THIS FORM IF YOU HAVE PROVIDED AN AGENCY ID NUMBER. AGENCY ID: * Do not provide EBT card number.								NT, CALL									
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(LIST ONLY HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS WITH INCOME)	Earnings from work before deductions.	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	l'wice Monthly	Monthly	Welfare, child support, alimony	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	wice Monthly	I wice intolling	Pensions, retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA benefits	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	All other inc must indicate and how	how much
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PART 5. SIGNATURE AND L											`					· ·	
A parent or caretaker adult must sign on this application is true and that a understand that school officials mabenefits, and I may be prosecuted. the last 4 digits of his or her Social Statement on the back of this page. Sign here: Address:	all income is r y verify (chec An adult hous Security Num	eport k) the eholo nber o	ted. e int d me or m	I un forn emb ark	nationation the	stand that the on. I understa nust sign the "Check here Print Nan City:	e scl and app e if y	hoo tha olica you	l w t if atio do	rill g I pu on. I o not	get Federal funds bas urposely give false in f Part 4 is completed t have a Social Secur	ed on form the ity Name	n the national adu Num	e inf on, i ilt si ber'	orn ny o gni bo	nation that I give children may los ng the form also x. See Use of In Date: Zip Code:	e. I se meal must list formation
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PART 6. CHILDREN'S ETH	NIC AND F	RAC	IAI	ΙI	ŒΙ	NTITIES (ΟP'	TIC	ON	JAI							

Choose one or more (regardless of ethnicity):

☐ Hispanic/Latino	☐ Asian	☐ American Indian or Alaska Native	☐ Black or African American				
☐ Not Hispanic/Latino	☐ White	☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Isl	ander				
DO NOT	DO NOT FILL OUT THIS PART. THIS IS FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY.						
Annual Income Con	version: Weekly	x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice	e A Month x 24, Monthly x 12				
(Only annualize income if there are multiple pay frequencies						
Total Income: Per: □ W	eek, 🗖 Every 2 V	Weeks, 🗖 Twice A Month, 🗖 Month	n, 🗖 Year Household size:				
Dual Eligibility: Foster child(ren) – Free	Nor	n-foster child(ren) – Free	Reduced Denied				
Categorical Eligibility: Date Withd	rawn:	Eligibility: Free Reduced	Denied Reason:				
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Determining Official's Signature:			Date:				
Confirming Official's Signature:			Date:				
Verifying Official's Signature:			Date:				

Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

Use of Information Statement: This explains how we will use the information you give us.

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

FEDERAL.	ELIGIBII	JTY INCO	ME CHART					
School Year 2014-2015								
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly					
1	\$21,590	\$1,800	\$416					
2	\$29,101	" "	\$560					
		\$2,426	"					
3	\$36,612	\$3,051	\$705					
4	\$44,123	\$3,677	\$849					
5	\$51,634	\$4,303	\$993					
6	\$59,145	\$4,929	\$1,138					
7	\$66,656	\$5,555	\$1,282					
8	\$74,167	\$6,181	\$1,427					
Each	+7,511	+626	+145					
additional person:								

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. "The U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.)

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Breakfast Order Form Breakfast for the Month of October, 2014

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Student Name	·				
Pod Teacher/Advisor			G	rade	
	Pleas	se <u>CHECK</u> off th	he day breakfast wil	ll be ordered.	
Week of 9/29 – 10/3	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 10/6 – 10/10	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[X] Friday
Week of 10/13 – 10/17		[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 10/20 – 10/24		[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 10/27 – 10/31		[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Number of Br	eakfasts ordered			X \$1.	75
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Lunch Order Form Lunch for the Month of October, 2014

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Student Name	2				
Pod Teacher/A	Advisor			Grade	
	P	lease <u>CHECK</u> o <u>f</u>	f the day lunch will	be ordered.	
Week of 9/29 – 10/3	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 10/6 – 10/10	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[X] Friday
Week of 10/13 – 10/17		[] Tuesday	[X] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 10/20 – 10/24	•	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 10/27 – 10/31		[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Number of M	eals ordered			X \$3.25	
	<i>le</i> I Amount Enc ks may be made			\$	

Choice of 1% milk, skim milk or orange juice is included with the purchase of a meal or can be purchased separately for 30 cents.

Please note: If your child has forgotten lunch, a cheese sandwich will be provided at the cost of \$2.50. A note from the office will go home that afternoon for reimbursement.



South Shore Charter School *OCTOBER*, 2014

Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29	30	1	2	3
Cereal	3.6 oz WW Muffin	3.6 oz. WW Muffin	WG Cinnamon Bun	Raisin Bran
Fruit	Fruit	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	WW Blueberry Waffle Grahams
Juice	Juice	Fruit	Fruit	Orange Juice
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Fruit
				Milk
6	7	8	9	10
Toasty O's	WW Croissant w/Jelly	3.6 oz. WW Chocolate Muffin	Raisin Bran	No School
WW Apple Cinnamon Waffles	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	
Orange Juice	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Prof. Dev. DAY
Fruit	Milk	Milk	Milk	
Milk				
13	14	15	16	17
COLUMBUS	Honey Wheat Bagel w/Jelly	Toasty O's	WG Cinnamon Bun	3.6 oz. WW Apple Muffin
	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice
DAY	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit
	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
20	21	22	23	24
3.6 oz. WW Apple Muffin	3.6 oz. WW Banana Muffin	WW Croissant w/Jelly	3.6 oz. WW Banana Muffin	3.6 oz. WW Chocolate Muffin
Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice
Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
27	28	29	30	31
Toasty O's	Cinnamon Toast Crunch	3.6 oz. WW Muffin	WG Cinnamon Bun	2 oz. Cereal
WW Apple Cinnamon Waffles	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Orange Juice	Fruit
Orange Juice	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Orange Juice
Fruit	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
Milk				

^{*} All Meals include Choice of 1% or Skim Milk.

ALL MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

*Before placing your order, please inform the school if you have a food allergy!

^{*} Complies with NSLP Regulations



SOUTH SHORE CHARTER SCHOOL K-8 OCTOBER, 2014

Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sept. 29	Sept. 30	1	2	3
Sweet & Sour Meatballs	Chicken Stir Fry	Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti	Mexican Chicken Wrap	Nachos w/Ground Beef
Ziti	Brown Rice	Broccoli	Sweet Potato Fries	Southwestern Beans
Green Beans	Corn	Peaches	w/Ketchup	Watermelon Chunks
Mandarin Oranges	Pineapple Chunks	Milk	Apple	Milk
Milk	Milk		Milk	
6	7	8	9	10
Mozzarella Sticks	Beef Hot Dog on WW Roll	BBQ Chicken on Bun	Sloppy Joe on WW Bun	No School
w/Marinara Sauce	Ketchup	Potato Wedges	Broccoli	
Green Beans	Baked Beans	w/ Ketchup	Banana	Prof. Dev. Day
Baked Sliced Apples	Apple	Plums	Milk	•
Milk	Milk	Milk		1.5
13	14	15	16	17
COLUMBUS	Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli	EARLY	Chicken Quesadilla	Chicken Caesar Salad Wrap Cucumber
DAY	Whole Wheat Roll	DELEACE	Spanish Rice Green Beans	Pears
DAY	Apple Juice	RELEASE	Orange	Milk
	Milk		Milk	IVIIIK
20	21	22	23	24
Chicken Tenders w/Ketchup	Sweet & Sour Chicken	"Breakfast for Lunch"	Chicken Alfredo w/Ziti	Low Fat Cheese Pizza
Green Beans	Brown Rice	Pancakes & Syrup	Broccoli	Carrots
Peaches	Broccoli	w/Sausage Patty	Applesauce	Banana
Honey Wheat Dinner Roll	Pineapple Chunks	Potato Wedges	Milk	Milk
Milk	Milk	Grapes		
		Milk		
27	28	29	30	31
Turkey & Gravy	American Chop Suey	Hamburger on WW Bun	Jamaican Beef Patty	Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti
Corn	Carrots	w/Ketchup	Green Beans	Broccoli
Apple	Banana	Baked Beans	Apple	Peaches
Honey Wheat Dinner Roll	Whole Wheat Roll	Baked Apple Slices	Milk	Milk
Milk	Milk	Milk		

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SOUTH SHORE CHARTER SCHOOL 9-12 OCTOBER, 2014

Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sept. 29	Sept. 30	1	2	3
Sweet and Sour Meatballs Ziti	Chicken Stir Fry Brown Rice	Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti Broccoli	Mexican Chicken Wrap Sweet Potato Fries	Nachos w/Ground Beef Southwestern Beans
Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Milk	Corn Pineapple Chunks Milk	Peaches Milk	w/Ketchup Apple Orange Juice Milk	Watermelon Chunks Milk
6	7	8	9	10
Mozzarella Sticks w/Marinara	Beef Hot Dog on WW Roll	BBQ Chicken on Bun	Sloppy Joe on WW Bun	No School
Green Beans Baked Sliced Apples Banana Milk	w/Ketchup Baked Beans Apple Peaches	Potato Wedges w/ Ketchup Plums Raisins Milk	Broccoli Carrots Banana Pineapple Chunks	Prof. Dev. Day
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13	14	15	16	17
COLUMBUS	Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli	EARLY	Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice	Chicken Caesar Salad Wrap Cucumber
DAY	Fruit Cocktail Apple Juice Milk	RELEASE	Green Beans Orange Peaches Milk	Pears Apple Juice Milk
20	21	22	23	24
Chicken Tenders w/Ketchup Green Beans Peaches Honey Wheat Dinner Roll Orange Juice Milk	Sweet & Sour Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Pineapple Chunks Milk	"Breakfast for Lunch" Pancakes & Syrup w/Sausage Patty Potato Wedges Grapes Raisins Milk	Chicken Alfredo w/Ziti Broccoli Applesauce Honey Wheat Dinner Roll Milk	Low Fat Cheese Pizza Sweet Potato Fries Banana Apple Juice Milk
27	28	29	30	31
Turkey & Gravy Corn Apple	American Chop Suey Carrots Banana	Hamburger on WW Bun w/Ketchup Baked Beans	Jamaican Beef Patty Spanish Rice Green Beans	Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti Broccoli Peaches
WG Cinnamon Roll Orange Juice Milk	Honey Wheat Dinner Roll Milk	Baked Apple Slices Milk	Peaches Apple Milk	Whole Wheat Roll Milk

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