



## **FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

This fall the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) released data from the spring 2014 MCAS testing season. In October we mailed home individual student MCAS reports so that families could see how their child has done on MCAS subject area assessments. Today's Weekly Update includes information regarding the school's annual report card, including a link to access the report card below. A link to the school's report card may also be found on our website.

School report cards were developed by the DESE to answer questions about a school's overall performance. According to the DESE website, school report cards contain specific information about student enrollment, teacher qualifications, student achievement, accountability, how a school is performing relative to other schools in the state, and the progress made toward narrowing proficiency gaps for different groups of students. DESE provides an explanation of each section of the report card, allowing for interpretation of the data. Below you will find this explanation coupled with our school's performance.

**Student enrollment and teacher quality:** This section of the report card provides information about the students and teachers in our school as compared to the state. As the South Shore Charter Public School receives federal Title I funds, parents have the additional right to request the following information about the qualifications of your child's classroom teacher:

- Whether your child's teacher is licensed in the grade levels and subject areas they teach
- Whether your child's teacher is teaching under an emergency license waiver
- The college degree and major of your child's teacher
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications

The percentage of courses taught by highly qualified teachers at the South Shore Charter Public School is 99.6 percent as compared to 93.1 percent statewide. This means that the South Shore Charter Public School scores 6.5 percent higher than the state average in the area of courses taught by highly qualified teachers.

**Student assessment of MCAS and other tests:** This section of the report shows how our students are performing on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment Systems (MCAS) as compared to other schools and districts in the state.

**School accountability information:** This section of the report contains three important pieces of information based on the MCAS.

- **Accountability and Assistance Levels:** Schools and districts are placed into one of five accountability and assistance levels (1-5), with the highest performing in Level 1 and the lowest performing in Level 5. South Shore Charter Public School has been placed into Level 2 as DESE has determined that this year we are not meeting the state's gap narrowing goals.
- **School Percentiles:** A school percentile between 1 and 99 is reported for most schools. This number shows the overall performance of our school relative to other schools that serve the same or similar grades. Our school percentile is 84, up from 83 last year. This means that our school is performing higher than 84 percent of the schools in the state that service the same or similar grades.
- **Progress and Performance Index (PPI):** The PPI is a number that indicates our school's progress toward narrowing proficiency gaps, or, in other words, helping *all* students reach proficiency and be prepared for success after high school. Massachusetts has set a goal of reducing proficiency gaps by half between the years 2011 and 2017. For a group of students to be considered to be making sufficient progress toward narrowing proficiency gaps, its cumulative PPI must be 75 or higher.

As you will see upon review of our [2014 MCAS data](#), in the category of *All students* the school's PPI 79 thus meeting this target. We did not meet targets for *High needs* (70), *Low income* (69), and *Students w/disabilities* (44). We did meet and exceed targets for *African American/Black students* (87) and *White students* (78).

As a school, we analyze MCAS data comprehensively. We review individual student growth data, as well as student scores on each assessment. Although we will not be administering the MCAS in grades 3-8 for English Language Arts or Mathematics this year, we recognize the need for ongoing improvement in meeting the needs of all student populations.

We began this academic year in August with William Henderson delivering the keynote speech. Mr. Henderson's address to the faculty launched the professional development focus for this year. This year the Massachusetts Charter Public School Association has asked the South Shore Charter Public School to serve as a Model School as a school that effectively meets the needs of all student populations. We have established a school-based team who will develop, implement, and monitor specific action items to increase our capacity to support all students within our school. Team members will participate in a series of professional development opportunities with thought leaders from Landmark School Outreach and Portland State University to address topics such as school-wide positive behavior supports, effective classroom practices and differentiated instruction, and effective methodologies for all students.

We will continue to do what has proven successful. Three years ago we began an extensive Response to Intervention program. Known throughout the school as Focused Instructional Time (FIT), this program began on Level III and has since expanded. We now have FIT in Levels II, III, IV, and within the high school. As our experience with FIT has been exceedingly positive and demonstrated significant academic outcomes, this year we will be exploring ways to make the positive ramifications of FIT even more far-reaching.

On their website, the DESE offers a series of recommendations for parents to become more involved in their child's education. These recommendations include encouraging your child's learning at home, attending parent teacher meetings, volunteering, and encouraging other parents to become involved. We are exceedingly fortunate to have a strong parent community at South Shore Charter Public School. We know that you are encouraging your child's learning at home by checking homework, reviewing classwork, and reading together. We know that every parent works hard to make parent-teacher conferences and goal-setting meetings throughout the year. And our school community is made more vibrant each day by the high number of volunteers we have in our classrooms and at our school-wide events. Parent involvement is a significant element of student growth and development and we greatly appreciate your continued efforts toward your child's achievement.

If you would like more information about our school's report card please feel free to contact me directly. Thank you for all you do.

Alicia Savage – [asavage@sseps.org](mailto:asavage@sseps.org).

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10/29</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade to New England Wildlife</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10/29</b>	<b>Library Committee – Working Meeting</b>	<b>3:00-7:00pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10/30</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10/30</b>	<b>National Honor Society Hosting Red Cross Blood Drive at the SSCPS Gym</b>	<b>1:00-6:00pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11/01</b>	<b>Level III Cyber Citizens to Comic Convention</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>11/03</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Library Field Trip</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11/04</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade Library Field Trip</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11/04</b>	<b>Parents Association Meeting</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Library Committee is hosting the annual **Fall Book Fair** on **Wednesday November 12th and Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup>**. This event is a major fundraiser for the library, and profits are used to purchase new books for the library.



We have again partnered with local bookseller Storybook Cove in the Hanover Mall ([www.storybookcove.com](http://www.storybookcove.com)) to provide an outstanding selection of titles for K-12 students. The collection is available for browsing on both days, and the list is also available online at their website. Teachers will be bringing their classes to the fair to browse and develop their ‘wish lists’, and students will then bring home their wish list plus an order form for purchases. Please return all sections of the order form along with payment. **Checks should be made out to SSCPS. The order forms are due MONDAY November 17<sup>th</sup>. Books will be delivered before the Thanksgiving break.**



**“Holiday Holds”:** If you would like to order books as holiday presents, mark those titles on your order form with an ‘H’. Those books will be delivered separately from the rest of your order.

- **Questions ?** Please email them to [bbruce@sscps.org](mailto:bbruce@sscps.org).
- **Interested in volunteering at the Book Fair?** We need parents to help at the tables both days in hourly time slots from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Please email Caitriona Hollowed at [caithollowed@gmail.com](mailto:caithollowed@gmail.com).

### **Update to the Memorandum from the Town of Norwell**

We have heard from, Paul Foulsham from the Norwell Highway Department regarding the upcoming construction work on Longwater Drive. There is still no definitive date from the contractor as to when the work will begin. The Norwell Highway Department will position a message board on Longwater Drive with the date as soon as this information becomes available. Longwater Drive will not be completely closed, but the Norwell Highway Department does expect some traffic issues such as periodic waiting and lane changes. The construction will be between the hours of 7:00am and 5:00pm on weekdays, and there will be police officers assisting with traffic. We will keep you posted as more information becomes available.

**SAVE THE DATE! The National Honor Society is hosting its first Red Cross blood drive of the year!** On October 30th, from 1-6 PM, you can come and support the Red Cross and our school! The drive will be held at our gym space, 104 Longwater Drive. Walk-ins are welcome however appointments are preferred and can be made at [redcross.org/blood](http://redcross.org/blood). This is the first of three drives that the NHS is hosting as part of Bob’s Furniture “High School Heroes” scholarship program. On top of that, every person who donates on the 30th is entered for the chance to win a \$5,000 dollar Visa gift card from Suburban Propane! For more information, visit [redcross.org/blood](http://redcross.org/blood)!

### **MathCounts Kickoff Meeting – Join our Middle School Math Team!!!**

MathCounts is a national organization with a goal of “increasing student interest, excitement, and achievement in mathematics through individual and group practice.” The SSCPS Chapter of MathCounts is beginning its fourth year. Open to all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders regardless of Math ability. Come to our first meeting, Wed, October 29<sup>th</sup> 3:20 - 4:30 pm. in Rm. 201 on Level IV. See <http://mathcounts.org/> for more information. Anyone involved in fall sports may join MathCounts when their season ends. Contact Jody Regan for more information X362 or [jregan@sscps.org](mailto:jregan@sscps.org).

### **2015 Yearbook**

The 2015 yearbook is now in progress and all the memories of the 2014-2015 school year will be published forever in print. A yearbook is a trip back to those fun times in school when friends were forever and life was an exciting promise. It captures that feeling and brings those times back again and again. Someday your student will want to look back, too. Buy them a little time - buy them a yearbook! To order online go to [www.coffeepond.com](http://www.coffeepond.com), to login use school password: bluejaguar.

Parents may submit a personalized page that will appear in the back of the book for their senior at these rates: Full page \$150, 1/2 pg. \$75, 1/4 pg. \$50.

## **FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

### **High School Girls Soccer**

The High School Girls soccer team has wrapped up their regular season and are awaiting their playoff fate. The Lady Jaguars finished the regular season 6-5-3 and currently hold 6th place in a league of 13 teams.

Strong play has been led by the defense of Melissa Theodore, Noemie Trocher and goalie Ila White. The offense has been on the attack as of late, with 8th grader Daley Tilden leading the charge and power forward Christine Nwafor coming back from an injury just in time for the post season.

If the Lady Jaguars do hang on to the 6th spot, this year will mark the first year in the girls' soccer program that the team has qualified for post season play.

## FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

### How Parents Can Help Their Teens' Mental Health

Wednesday, 22 October 2014



The mental health of teenagers is largely impacted by how well their parents understand them, according to a recent study published in [Psychosomatic Medicine: Journal of Biobehavioral Medicine](#). Those whose parents had a better grasp of both the stressors of the teen's day and the teen's perspective on their relationship with the parent had lower levels of depression.

In this study, a group of parents and teens filled out daily diaries for two weeks. They each individually rated the daily demands on the teen, from school, home, or other external sources, and also rated the positivity of their day together – whether they got along well that day or not. The teens also rated the levels of stress or depression they experienced. Teenagers whose parents who had a good sense of the teen's perception of their relationship

reported feeling lower levels of stress and depression. So regardless of whether the relationship on that day felt positive or negative, just an understanding of how the teen was feeling made a positive difference.

The teenage mind is complicated, but this study provides confirmation of what may be one of the most important things that a parent can do to help their teen navigate a very difficult time in life. By taking the time to listen and communicate with their teen and to connect with them on a level that increases their understanding of the teen, parents play a role in their teen's mental stability. As is true of most of us, teens that feel understood, feel better.

To learn more about how to communicate with and understand your teen, join our [Teen Depression webinar](#).

**WEEKLY UPDATES ARE EMAILED AND POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.SSCPS.ORG](http://WWW.SSCPS.ORG)  
EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103  
OR EMAIL [PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG](mailto:PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG)**

# Original Works

Your artwork on fun products to wear and share.



## Look What's Coming!

**Hello Family:** Our school has teamed up with Original Works to offer a very special program. Your child will be creating his or her OWN artwork. Then you will have the opportunity to order a variety of useful items you can use, all professionally made and featuring your child's very own artwork.

### 5 Great Reasons to Join in:

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- 1 Purchase personal gifts & keepsakes.
  - 2 Celebrate your child's creativity.
  - 3 Fun products under \$10.
  - 4 Support your school.
  - 5 Our  products.

Check here if you DO NOT wish to have your child participate and return this letter to his/her teacher.

Child \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Visit [www.originalworks.com](http://www.originalworks.com) for additional program and product information as well as customer testimonials.

# Holly Hill Farm & Friends

10/28/2014 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Contact Info:

*Friends of Holly Hill Farm*

Holly Hill Farm

236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset, MA 02025

[www.hollyhillfarm.org](http://www.hollyhillfarm.org) 781-383-6565

FHHF contact: [ibelberhollyhill@hotmail.com](mailto:ibelberhollyhill@hotmail.com)

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### **Farm Stand Hours**

**Thru December 5 Saturday and Sunday 11 AM -5 PM**

The fall harvest is in! We are open every Saturday and Sunday from 11-5 through early December. Squash, pumpkins and more! Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. [781-383-6565](tel:781-383-6565) [www.hollyhillfarm.org](http://www.hollyhillfarm.org)

**November 1 Harvest Dinner & Auction 6 - 10 PM **SOLD OUT****

**\$100 Members of *Friends of Holly Hill Farm* / \$125 Non-members**

Reserve your tickets for the Harvest Dinner and Auction. Our cozy greenhouse, decked with twinkling lights, sets the stage for a memorable evening to benefit the *Friends of Holly Hill Farm* educational programs. Chef/Owner Brian Houlihan and Chef Katie Callahan from Bia, Tinker's Son and Galley Kitchen will provide a fabulous dinner made from local, organic foods. Tickets are selling quickly – reserve today! Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. [781-383-6565](tel:781-383-6565) [www.hollyhillfarm.org](http://www.hollyhillfarm.org)

**November 15 Jon Belber's Ten Year Anniversary Celebration 9 AM**

Education Director, Jon Belber has been teaching and farming at Holly Hill Farm!! Join in the celebration by participating in our work party to construct new growing beds and fencing for the Farm Pantry Garden. At noon, we'll break for lunch and treats baked in our new outdoor oven. All ages are welcome! Please let us know if you'll be attending by calling the Farm. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. [781-383-6565](tel:781-383-6565). [www.hollyhillfarm.org](http://www.hollyhillfarm.org)

**November 29 6<sup>th</sup> 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](tel:781-383-6565) [www.hollyhillfarm.org](http://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](tel:781-383-6565) [www.hollyhillfarm.org](http://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](mailto:friendsofhollyhillfarm@gmail.com).



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 [aepin@sscps.org](mailto:aepin@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](mailto: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 vous voudriez d'aide, contactez nous au numero: **781-982-4202x106**

Sincerely,  
**Kristine Bingham**  
**Director of Finance**

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# SHARING INFORMATION WITH MEDICAID/SCHIP

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

If your children get free or reduced price school meals, they may 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).

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**No! I DO NOT** want information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application shared with Medicaid or the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

If you checked no, fill out the form below to ensure that your information is NOT shared for the child(ren) listed below:

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ 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](mailto:kbingham@sscps.org)

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

# SHARING INFORMATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

To save you time and effort, the information you gave on your Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application may be shared with other programs for which your children may qualify. For the following programs, we must have your permission to share your information. Sending in this form will not change whether your children get free or reduced price meals.

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- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **Title I Program**.
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **SSYMCA Afterschool Childcare Program**.
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **SSCPS Athletic & Enrichment Programs**.

If you checked yes to any or all of the boxes above, fill out the form below to ensure that your information is shared for the child(ren) listed below. **Your information will be shared only with the programs you checked.**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

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Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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For more information, you may call **Kristine Bingham** at **781-982-4202x106** or e-mail [kbingham@sscps.org](mailto:kbingham@sscps.org)

Return this form to: **Kristine Bingham** at **SSCPS, 100 Longwater Circle, Norwell, MA 02061.**



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**

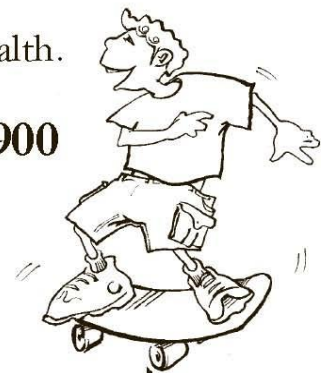
**MassHealth**



Si su niño es eligible para almuerzo gratis o reducido, su niño pueda ser eligible para **seguro de salud gratis o de bajo costo** por medio de MassHealth.

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

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# 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.

**PART 1. ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS** List all household members including children seeking school meals, siblings and both parents of children living in home. Also, include other relatives and friends living in home if you live as a single economic unit. (See instructions- Q.13)

NAME OF ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS (First, Middle Initial, Last)	NAME OF SCHOOL CHILD ATTENDS	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
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**PART 2. BENEFITS- MA SNAP OR MA TAFDC**

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.

**PART 3. HOMELESS, MIGRANT, RUNAWAY**

IF ANY CHILD YOU ARE APPLYING FOR IS HOMELESS, A RUNAWAY, OR MIGRANT, CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX AND CALL **Angie Pepin, 781-982-4202x102**

HOMELESS  RUNAWAY  MIGRANT

**PART 4. TOTAL HOUSEHOLD GROSS INCOME (BEFORE DEDUCTIONS).** List all income on the same line as the person who receives it. Check the box for how often it is received. RECORD EACH INCOME ONLY ONCE. DO NOT INCLUDE MONEY RECEIVED FROM MA SNAP OR MA TAFDC.

1. NAME (LIST ONLY HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS WITH INCOME)	2. GROSS INCOME AND HOW OFTEN IT WAS RECEIVED															
	Earnings from work before deductions.	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	Welfare, child support, alimony	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	Pensions, retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA benefits	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	All other income (you must indicate how much and how often)
(Example) Jane Smith	\$200	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$150	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0
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**PART 5. SIGNATURE AND LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (ADULT MUST SIGN)**

A parent or caretaker adult must sign the application (see Use of Information Statement on the back of this page). I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will get Federal funds based on the information that I give. I understand that school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted. An adult household member must sign the application. If Part 4 is completed, the adult signing the form also must list the last 4 digits of his or her Social Security Number or mark the "Check here if you do not have a Social Security Number" box. See Use of Information Statement on the back of this page.

Sign here: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Last four digits of Social Security Number \*\*\* - \* \* - \_ \_ \_ \_  Check here if you do not have a Social Security Number

**PART 6. CHILDREN'S ETHNIC AND RACIAL IDENTITIES (OPTIONAL)**

Choose one ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_ Choose one or more (regardless of ethnicity): \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native	<input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic/Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	

**DO NOT FILL OUT THIS PART. THIS IS FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY.**

**Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice A Month x 24, Monthly x 12**

**Only annualize income if there are multiple pay frequencies**

Total Income: \_\_\_\_\_ Per:  Week,  Every 2 Weeks,  Twice A Month,  Month,  Year Household size: \_\_\_\_\_

Dual Eligibility: Foster child(ren) – Free \_\_\_\_\_ Non-foster child(ren) – Free \_\_\_\_\_ Reduced \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_

Categorical Eligibility: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility: Free \_\_\_\_\_ Reduced \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Check if this is an **error prone application** – utilize for verification standard sample size – see eligibility manual for instructions.

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.

Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$21,590	\$1,800	\$416
2	\$29,101	\$2,426	\$560
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 additional person:	+7,511	+626	+145

**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.

**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.)

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), found online at [http:// www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html) , or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish).

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# Breakfast Order Form

## Breakfast for the Month of November, 2014

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, \*Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pod Teacher/Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please **CHECK** off the day breakfast will be ordered.

Week of 11/3 – 11/7     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Week of 11/10 – 11/14     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Week of 11/17 – 11/21     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Week of 11/24 – 11/28     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Number of Breakfasts ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$1.75

*Less credit due* \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

# Lunch Order Form

## Lunch for the Month of November, 2014

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, \*Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pod Teacher/Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

*Please **CHECK** off the day lunch will be ordered.*

Week of 11/3 – 11/7     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Week of 11/10 – 11/14     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Week of 11/17 – 11/21     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Week of 11/24 – 11/28     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday

Number of Meals ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3.25

*Less credit due*

**Total Amount Enclosed**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.


**Choice of 1% milk or skim milk 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  
NOVEMBER, 2014**

***Breakfast***

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	4 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	5 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	6 2 oz. Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	7 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk
10 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	11 <b><i>VETERAN'S DAY</i></b>	12 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	13 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	14 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk
17 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	18 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	19 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	20 WW Croissant & Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	21 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk
24 2 oz. Cereal Fruit Orange Juice Milk	25 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	26 WG Cinnamon Roll Fruit Juice Milk	27 	28 <b>NO SCHOOL</b>

\* All Meals include Choice of 1% or Skim Milk.  
Regulations

\* Complies with NSLP

***ALL MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE***

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





**SOUTH SHORE CHARTER SCHOOL K-8**  
**NOVEMBER, 2014**

**Lunch**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Beef Hot Dog on WW Roll Baked Beans Apple Ketchup Milk	4 BBQ Chicken on WW Bun Potato Wedges w/Ketchup Fresh Fruit Milk	5 Sloppy Joe on WW Bun Broccoli Banana Milk	6 Herbed Baked Chicken Carrots Whole Wheat Roll Raisins Milk	7 Chicken Caesar Salad WW Wrap Cucumber Pears Milk
10 Sweet & Sour Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Pineapple Chunks Milk	11 <b>VETERAN'S DAY</b>	12 "Breakfast for Lunch" Pancakes & Syrup w/Sausage Patty Potato Wedges Raisins Milk	13 Chicken Alfredo w/Ziti Green Beans Applesauce Milk	14 Cheese Pizza Italian Beans Carrots Banana Milk
17 Turkey & Gravy Corn Apple Whole Wheat Roll Milk	18 American Chop Suey Carrots Banana Whole Wheat Roll Milk	19 Jamaican Beef Patty Green Beans Apple Milk	20 Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti Broccoli Peaches Milk	21 Beef & Bean WW Burrito Corn Banana Milk
24 Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli Apple Juice Milk	25 Chicken Tenders w/Ketchup Green Beans Peaches Whole Wheat Roll Milk	26 <b>NO LUNCH EARLY RELEASE</b>	27 	28 <b>NO SCHOOL</b>

\* All Meals include Choice of 1% or Skim Milk.  
 Regulations

\* Complies with NSLP

***ALL MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE***

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



**SOUTH SHORE CHARTER SCHOOL 9-12**  
**NOVEMBER, 2014**  
**Lunch**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Beef Hot Dog on WW Roll Baked Beans Apple Peaches Ketchup Milk	4 BBQ Chicken on WW Bun Potato Wedges w/Ketchup Fruit Raisins Milk	5 Sloppy Joe on WW Bun Broccoli Carrots Banana Pineapple Chunks Milk	6 Herbed Baked Chicken Carrots Whole Wheat Roll Raisins Milk	7 Chicken Caesar Salad WW Wrap Cucumber Pears Apple Juice Milk
10 Sweet & Sour Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Pineapple Chunks Milk	11 <b>VETERAN'S DAY</b>	12 "Breakfast for Lunch" Pancakes & Syrup w/Sausage Patty Potato Wedges Raisins Milk	13 Chicken Alfredo w/Ziti Green Beans Honey Wheat Dinner Roll Applesauce Milk	14 Cheese Pizza Italian Beans Carrots Banana Apple Juice Milk
17 Turkey & Gravy Corn Apple WG Cinnamon Roll Orange Juice Milk	18 American Chop Suey Carrots Banana Whole Wheat Roll Milk	19 Jamaican Beef Patty Spanish Rice Green Beans Peaches Apple Milk	20 Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti Broccoli Peaches Milk	21 Beef & Bean WW Burrito Corn Banana Mandarin Oranges Milk
24 Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli Fruit Cocktail Apple Juice Milk	25 Chicken Tenders w/Ketchup Green Beans Peaches Whole Wheat Roll Orange Juice Milk	26 <b>No Lunch EARLY RELEASE</b>	27 	28 <b>NO SCHOOL</b>

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