



FROM THE K-6 PRINCIPAL

There is a great deal going on here in the month of December. There are the Third Grade Roman plays, First and Second Grade poetry recitals, Craft Day and more and more and more. One large event that we held last week was the Winter Concert. It was our twentieth concert in December and it was great fun. Thanks to all who brought their children and shared community with us as we sang and played together.

Thanks too to those who shared their deep appreciation to our music teachers, Wardie and Theron. Some of that feedback was not just about them as dedicated teachers; some of it was about music. Here is one of the e-mails that we received.

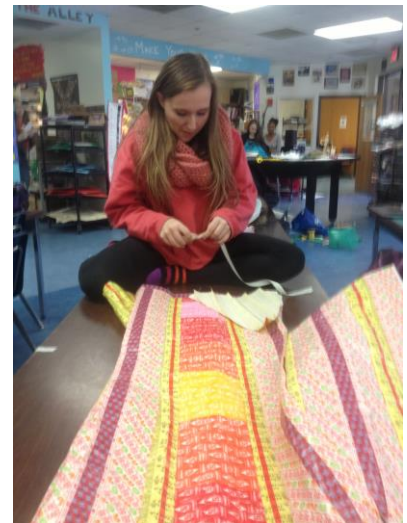
Music is so very important to our family ... Last night was the "first concert" in the next generation of concerts in our family. I remember the wonder and excitement of going to the school cafeteria so long ago to pick up my trumpet at "Instrument Night." I saw that look in some of those students last night. Last night was so much more than just a concert. ... along with their classmates had a chance to shine...and shine they did.

If there was an "unwritten" mission statement for SSCPS, I think last night captured what "it" is all about. ... - thank you.

Since our beginning one of the things we have said about ourselves is that we are a "Project Based School." When I describe us to the outside world I talk about how our students are strong public speakers, I explain that they are good with adults, and describe how they are able to organize themselves and others. In sum they are good "party planners."

I think one of the ways our students acquire those qualities is through years of Exhibitions of Mastery, Town Meeting, and Projects/Workshops.

On Tuesday, December 23, there is an opportunity to see two aspects of this work at its best. The Annual High School Art Workshop Exhibition of Mastery otherwise known as the "SSCPS Fashion Walk" will begin at 11:00am at the SSCPS Gym. Each of the past eight years, Marianne Buckley Curran, the High School Workshop leader, has picked a theme and the High School Art Workshop students create fashions based on that theme. This year the theme is paper. I urge all who can to come see us at our finest and see the way our students express themselves. Come see how they invent things that have never been seen before. I have included in this Update a picture of Morgan Rousseau and her creation in its early stages. Come see the finished product up close and all of the work that will be on display.



If you are able to attend please RSVP to Marianne Buckley Curran at mbuckleycurran@sscps.org no later than Monday, December 22.

I know that if you come on Tuesday there is a good chance you will feel like that parent who wrote about music and SSCPS's "unwritten" mission statement.

Thanks for a wonderful first part of the school year. I look forward to writing again in 2015.

Ted Hirsch - thirsch@sscps.org

Thursday	12/18	Personnel Committee Development Committee Finance Committee Board of Trustees	5:30pm 6:00pm 6:30pm 7:30pm
Friday	12/19	Level II Roman Plays	1:45pm
Tuesday	12/23	Level I, Level II, and Level III Craft Day	
Tuesday	12/23	High School Art Workshop Annual Fashion Walk	11:00am
Tuesday	12/23	Early Release Day	12:00pm
Monday	01/05	Classes Resume	8:15am



November/December 2014 College Acceptances

Richard Dieujuste
Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology

Neil Feeney
Emerson College

Jacob Gray
Union College

Devon Hearn
Messiah College
Marymount University
College of Charleston

Dolores Jackson
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Johnnie Jackson
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Sophia Maniscalco
Bridgewater State University

Matthew Mansaray
Eastern Nazarene College
Kevin McQuinness
Emerson College

Maryellen Stohman van Der Veen
University of Vermont
Emerson College

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2014-2015 SSCPS Directory has been printed and are being distributed this week. Each family will receive a copy of the booklet. Please check your child's backpack for your copy.

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, 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.

Bottle and Can Drive - Fundraising for the Italy Trip

Starting this Friday and continuing on every Friday, students will be hosting a *Bottle and Can Drive* to raise funds for their trip to Italy. They will be accepting bottles and cans to return for deposit. If you would like to contribute, please drop BAGGED items at the loading dock on Friday mornings during drop off.

Bake Sale!!! on Level III

Enjoy a special treat on Fridays! The students going to Italy are holding a BAKE SALE on Fridays to raise funds for their trip. Come and get a yummy treat!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PROJECTS AND WORKSHOPS?

The Art Store

The Art Store is offering its art student, faculty and staff store which is on view in the lobby on the walls behind the reception desk and in the cabinets. The items are available for purchase, and 20% of the proceeds go to the high school Art Workshop. Please consider doing some Holiday shopping here. Questions, please see Marianne in the Art Room. The store runs live until December 23rd.

Level IV Literary Project Hosting Toys for Tots Drive

The Literary Magazine Project is hosting a Toys for Tots community service event. According to the organization's website, the mission of this project is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November, and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the community in which the campaign is conducted. The last community service event our project organized was extremely successful, raising approximately \$430. Toys for Tots is a unique event, though. You are not being asked to donate money. This time we ask that you to donate toys to brighten up a child's holiday season. We are accepting brand new, unwrapped toys. Donation boxes can be found in Rachel's classroom (found in Level 4), the high school, and in the front lobby. We hope you decide to donate. Thank you!

High School Technology Workshop



The Outreach Team is asking for computer donations. As part of the Technology workshop, we are refurbishing them and donating them to homeless shelters and other charitable organizations that help people.

We accept:

- Computer / PCs
- LCD Monitors (No CRT monitors allowed)
- Mice
- Keyboards
- Cords

Donations may be dropped off to Office 14.

ART NEWS

Original Works orders have arrived and will be delivered to classrooms Wednesday. If you would like me to hold your gift for pick up please call Marianne at ext. 304.

The Fashion Walk

This year's Fashion Walk is being held on Tuesday, December 23 at 11am. If you are interested in attending please call Marianne @ x304. All are welcome to attend.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Gently Used and New Children's Book Collection

Level IV student, Shannon Daly, is collecting "slightly used" books for children, ages 2 to 14, whose parents are students at the Adult Learning Center in Brockton. Each year, all of the adult learners and their children are invited to come and choose books that they can take home so they can create an at home library. The Learning Center relies on donations from community members to make this give-away possible. A lot of the time this is the only way they receive books. The collection box is located in the front lobby and any donations would be greatly appreciated! For larger donations please contact Barbara at barbara6910@msn.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**

Art Store Sale

Give the gift of art

Faculty, staff and students offer their work
at off gallery prices \$7 to \$200

All items for sale are located at the front entrance of the school



Holly Hill Farm & Friends

12/9/2014 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

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

January 1 1PM 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. Executive Director, Cindy Prentice will provide her locally famous hot chocolate for all! \$5 for members/max \$15 for member families; and \$8 for non-members/max \$24 for non-member families. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. [781-383-6565](tel:781-383-6565). www.hollyhillfarm.org

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS: THE WEEKLY HARVEST

This week with Holly Hill School Partners

Recently, the Holly Hill Farm educators worked with 4th graders and built new beds and planted garlic at the Academy Avenue elementary school in Weymouth. The idea for the growing beds was hatched by a group of last year's 3rd graders to grow more healthy food. Next week, the *Friends* will stir and mix compost and spread seaweed with 5th graders at the South River school in Marshfield, as an effort to tuck in the gardens for winter. While our public programs are the most visible outreach we provide the local community, our Farm Educators have partnerships with more than 40 schools along the South Shore Is your school one of them? Happy growing, teaching and learning. Holly Hill Farm. 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. [781-383-6565](tel:781-383-6565). www.hollyhillfarm.org

FARM ACTIVITIES/POTENTIAL ARTICLES

#Giving Tuesday

On December 2, The *Friends of Holly Hill Farm* participated in #GivingTuesday , a nationwide day of philanthropy. With support provided by a leadership donation from Pilgrim Bank and the generosity of the Holly Hill community, our Farm Pantry Garden Program (FPGP) will benefit greatly for the upcoming season. The FPGP is a free project that engages teens in growing food at the farm that is donated to local food pantries. The FPGP just completed its third growing year, making 3 trips to Father Bill's Place in Quincy this past summer, bringing over 50 pounds of produce to feed shelter residents.

During the morning on #GivingTuesday we had a "work party". Volunteers spread compost and manure on new and exiting garden beds in our Farm Pantry Garden to enrich the soil and ensure better growing in 2015. We harvested turnips and parsnips that will be donated to the food pantry. Contact Education Director Jon Belber at [781-383-6565](tel:781-383-6565) or jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com for more information.

Stories, Speakers & Partnerships

As a small, non-profit, we are always appreciative of exposure and our small staff of farmers and farm educators are happy to provide interviews or copy for upcoming stories on farms, organic farms, summer camps, or children's programs. Our Farm Educators are available to speak and lead workshops for garden clubs, community organizations and local events. We are also open to discussion on collaboration for potential workshops and partnerships that would support our mission and promote local food and organic farming along the South Shore and beyond. Please contact Lori at friendsofhollyhillfarm@gmail.com if you have any upcoming stories or ideas.



Cultural Partnerships

The Department has partnerships with educational and cultural institutions across the Commonwealth that clients can take advantage of by showing their EBT card for reduced or free admission.



Children's Museum of Boston
308 Congress St.
Boston, MA
Admission with EBT Card: \$2
per person- up to 4 people



Peabody Essex Museum
161 Essex St.
Salem, MA
Admission with EBT card:
Free- up to 2 adults, children
always free



Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
280 Fenway
Boston, MA
Admission with EBT card:
\$2 per person- up to 4 people



Children's Museum of Easton
9 Sullivan Ave
North Easton, MA
Admission with EBT Card:
\$2 per person- up to 4 people



Institute of Contemporary Art
100 Northern Ave
Boston, MA
Admission with EBT card: Free
for one person



The Discovery Museums
177 Main Street
Acton, MA
Admission with EBT Card:
\$1 per person- up to 6 people



Museum of Science
1 Science Park
Boston, MA
Admission with EBT Card: Free
- up to 4 people



Cape Cod Children's Museum
1577 Great Neck Road South
Mashpee, MA
Admission with EBT Card: \$2
per person- up to 4 people



Museum of Fine Arts
465 Huntington Ave
Boston, MA
Admission with EBT Card:
\$3 per person- up to 4 people



Children's Museum of Holyoke
444 Dwight St.
Holyoke, MA
Admission with EBT Card: \$2
per person- up to 4 people



EcoTarium
222 Harrington Way
Worcester, MA
Admission with EBT Card: \$2
per person- up to 4 people

For more information call:
Matthew Kitsos
617-348-5614
Follow us on Twitter @DTA_Listens
Information valid as of 11/14/2014



Cultural Partnerships: Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How does it work?

When you arrive at the museum, you should show your EBT card at the ticket counter and you will receive a discounted admission price.

Q: How many people can I bring with me to the museum?

The number of people that can receive discounted admission to a museum using the same EBT card varies by institution. This information can be found on our Partnerships Flyer at www.mass.gov/dta or you can always call the museum directly to ask them about their admission policies.

Q: If I am taking my child to the museum and they want to bring their friend, can I still receive the EBT-discounted admission?

Yes. You can use your EBT card for admission regardless of whether or not the people that you are bringing with you are members of your household.

Q: Can I only receive the discounted admission on a certain day of the week?

You can use your EBT card for admission any day of the week.

Q: How many times can I attend the museum with the EBT discount?

There is no limit to the number of times that you can use your EBT card, so feel free to use it often!

Q: How much will admission cost with my EBT discount?

The EBT admission prices vary by institution, but none are higher than \$3 per person. The specific prices can be found on our Partnerships Flyer at www.mass.gov/dta or you can always call the museum directly to ask them about their admission policies.

*3rd Annual Operation
Adopt a Soldier's
Holiday "Operation
Adopt a Family"*



*Join us in supporting our
soldiers by adopting a
military family
for the holidays*

Over the last 2 years we adopted over 130 families, providing gifts to the children of deployed soldiers, active military and veterans.



Gifts should be ready for pickup on or before Saturday, December 6, 2014 to allow for distribution to the families.

For additional information on adopting or to sign up please call or email:
Ann@operationadoptsoldier.org
Bill 781-915-4980
Denise@operationadoptsoldier.org
or 781-733-5576



Each year the Salvation Army provides Christmas dinner and toys to 200 Brockton area families. To do this, we need your help!

Below is a listing of volunteer opportunities to assist in the collection and distribution of food and toys.



November 13th to December 24th— Volunteer to stand a kettle at our Annual Red Kettle fundraising drive; locations available in Brockton and surrounding areas

Saturday, December 20th - (1-4pm): Assist in packing Christmas food baskets.

Saturday, December 20th - (6-9pm): Setup toy shop of donated Christmas toys.

Monday, December 22nd - (12:30-2:30pm): Help distribute food baskets to families

Tuesday, December 23rd- (8:30am-3pm): Work in our Christmas Toy Shop



*If interested in volunteering, or if you'd like to donate food or toys, please contact
Capt. Rebecca Kirk or James Cox
at 508-583-1896.*



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.**
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 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

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).

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: _____

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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:

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.

- 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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Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

For more information, you may call **Kristine Bingham** at 781-982-4202x106 or e-mail 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

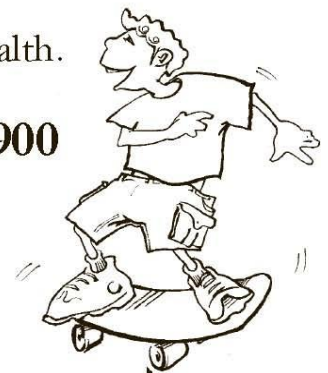
MassHealth



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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kids*





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)
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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)

<i>Choose one ethnicity:</i>	<i>Choose one or more (regardless of ethnicity):</i>		
<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, 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.

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).

USDA is an equal opportunity employer.

Breakfast Order Form
Breakfast for the Month of January, 2015
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, ***Tuesday**, December 16, 2014

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of 1/5 – 1/9 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/12 – 1/16 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/19 – 1/23 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/26 – 1/30 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 January, 2015

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, December 16, 2014

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of 1/5 – 1/9 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/12 – 1/16 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/19 – 1/23 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/26 – 1/30 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Number of Lunches ordered _____ X \$3.25

Less credit due

Total Amount Enclosed

\$ _____

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.



South Shore Charter School
JANUARY, 2015
Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	6 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	7 WW Cinnamon Roll Fruit Juice Milk	8 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	9 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk
12 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	13 WW Croissant & Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	14 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	15 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL
19 	20 WW Cinnamon Roll Fruit Juice Milk	21 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	22 WW Croissant & Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	23 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk
26 Cereal Fruit Orange Juice Milk	27 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	28 Cereal Fruit Juice Milk	29 WW Cinnamon Roll Fruit Juice Milk	30 3.6 oz. WW Muffin Fruit Juice Milk

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

* Complies with NSLP Regulations

ALL MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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



Essence of Thyme and Cravings

South Shore Charter School K-8

JANUARY, 2015

LUNCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Beef Hot Dog on WW Roll Baked Beans Ketchup Apple Milk	6 BBQ Chicken on WW Bun Potato Wedges w/Ketchup Fruit Milk	7 Sloppy Joe on WW Bun Broccoli Banana Milk	8 Herbed Baked Chicken Sweet Potato Fries Whole Wheat Roll Mandarin Oranges Milk	9 Chicken Salad Caesar WW Wrap Cucumber Pears Milk
12 Sweet & Sour Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Orange Milk	13 Pancakes w/Syrup Sausage Patty Potato Wedges Raisins Milk	14 Mexican Chicken WW Wrap Sweet Potato Fries w/Ketchup Green Beans Apple Milk	15 Meatballs on WW Sub Baked Beans Orange Milk	16 NO SCHOOL
19 	20 Chicken Patty on WW Bun Ketchup Broccoli Green Beans Apple Milk	21 Hamburger on WW Bun Baked Beans Ketchup Baked Apple Slices Milk	22 American Chop Suey Carrots Whole Wheat Roll Banana Milk	23 Chicken Quesadilla Peas Orange Milk
26 Chicken & Salsa Brown Rice Broccoli Apple Milk	27 Cheeseburger Mac Carrots Whole Wheat Roll Banana Milk	28 Turkey & Gravy Corn Whole Wheat Roll Orange Milk	29 Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti Broccoli Peaches Milk	30 Cheese Pizza Green Beans Potato Wedges Banana Milk

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

* Complies with NSLP Regulations

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Essence of Thyme and Cravings

South Shore Charter School 9-12

JANUARY, 2015

LUNCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Beef Hot Dog on WW Roll Baked Beans Ketchup Apple Peaches Milk	6 BBQ Chicken on WW Bun Potato Wedges w/Ketchup Fresh Fruit Raisins Milk	7 Sloppy Joe on WW Bun Broccoli Banana Pineapple Chunks Milk	8 Herbed Baked Chicken Sweet Potato Fries Whole Wheat Roll Pears Apple Juice Milk	9 Chicken Salad Caesar WW Wrap Cucumber Mandarin Oranges Apple Juice Milk
12 Sweet & Sour Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Pineapple Chunks Milk	13 Pancakes w/Syrup Sausage Patty Potato Wedges Raisins Milk	14 Mexican Chicken WW Wrap Sweet Potato Fries w/Ketchup Green Beans Apple Orange Juice Milk	15 Meatballs on WW Sub Baked Beans Orange Pineapple Chunks Milk	16 NO SCHOOL
19 	20 Chicken Patty on WW Bun Ketchup Broccoli Green Beans Apple Orange Juice Milk	21 Hamburger on WW Bun Baked Beans Ketchup Baked Apple Slices Milk	22 American Chop Suey Carrots Whole Wheat Roll Banana Pears Milk	23 Chicken Quesadilla Peas & Carrots Orange Apple Juice Milk
26 Chicken & Salsa Brown Rice Broccoli Apple Pineapple Chunks Milk	27 Cheeseburger Mac Carrots Whole Wheat Roll Banana Peaches Milk	28 Turkey & Gravy Corn WG Cinnamon Roll Orange Apple Juice Milk	29 Chicken Parmesan w/Ziti Broccoli Peaches Milk	30 Cheese Pizza Green Beans Potato Wedges Banana Orange Juice Milk

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