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## Weekly Update | May 29, 2019

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### A Message from Angie

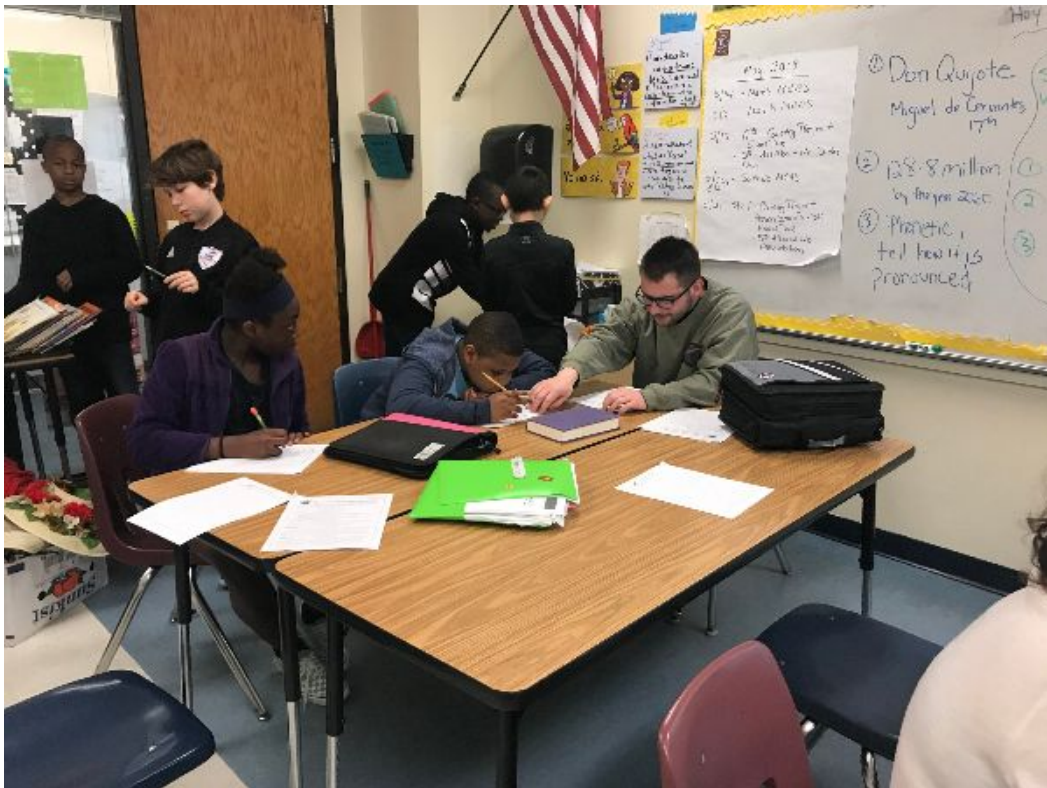
On Saturday we will celebrate our newest class of South Shore Charter Public School graduates at our 24th commencement. The end of the year is full of exciting events and milestones for our students but commencement and the new beginnings that follow are what all of us, K-12, are ultimately working toward. Graduation at South Shore Charter Public School truly is a celebration of our entire community and it is the culmination of many years of hard work on the part of students, parents, and teachers. I encourage you to attend our ceremony on Saturday. It is always beautiful. We will begin promptly at 11:00.

Graduation is the last event in a busy Senior season. Tonight our graduating Seniors, their families, and members of the faculty will gather to eat and celebrate together at our Senior dinner. The dinner is an annual tradition that allows us to come together informally before the official graduation send-off. This afternoon students returned from Senior Project for Senior check-out and to pick up their caps and gowns. They also completed one final presentation as they shared their internship experiences with the faculty and with our underclassmen.

Senior Project presentations provide our graduating students with an opportunity to reflect on their internship experiences. They also give our underclassmen an opportunity to think ahead to what they might like to do when it is their turn to participate in Senior Project at the end of their high school careers. The goal of Senior Project is to provide students with an opportunity to design and execute a project that gives them a chance to investigate potential careers, do research in a special area of interest, or provide service to the community. For the majority of our students, the project takes the form of an internship. During the Project experience, students are required to work closely with a mentor, log their hours, and reflect on their experience.

This year we were lucky to host three interns; Sean Griffin, Jeremiah Derolus, and Daniel Vital, in our K-8 building. These interns worked one on one with students, led small group discussions, designed Advisory lessons, and helped talk students through

teachers alike. While the internship period is over, two students have chosen to stay on for the remainder of this week. This speaks to the impact of their experience.





This time of year is an exciting one for our soon-to-be graduates as they say farewell to our community and transition to their next stage in life. It is important for us as a school to take this time to celebrate their accomplishments as they are the result of the work of our entire community, K-12. Please put our Saturday, June 1st graduation on your calendars.

Angie Pepin  
Principal, South Shore Charter Public School

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### 2019-2020 Parent Association Election for SSCPS!

Survey Closes: 5/31/2019

Click the link below to cast your vote:

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/SSCPS\\_PA\\_Election](https://www.surveymonkey.com/SSCPS_PA_Election)

**New PA will be inducted at the June 11, 2019 Meeting (7:00 pm @SSCPS K-8 Building)**

Thank you all for coming to cast a ballot for all Parents Association positions.

As your appointed Election Team, we are committed to ensuring the process is efficient, fair, measurable and accessible to all parents.

Only current SSCPS Parents or Guardians may vote in this election,

- One vote per parent/guardian will be allowed,
- You must make one selection for each position,
- You are given the option to abstain from voting for a particular position if, for any reason, you choose not to (via an "I choose not to cast a vote for this position" option),
- Results will ONLY be shared on an aggregate level (e.g. # of total voters, # of votes per nominee, # that chose not to vote for a position, etc.)
- If there is a tie for a position, a second survey will be sent out only for those who need a tie-breaker,

meeting,

- If there is a dispute or demand for a recount, at least one member of the Election Team (*Heidi Aylward, Cliff Peacock, Andrea Poudrier & Ken Poudrier*) and one school administrator will be engaged to review or recount parent/guardian submissions.

The Election Team remains committed and unbiased throughout its work on this process, and we're committed to the integrity of the SSCPS Parent Association.

**Thank you for carefully considering the nominees who have stepped up to represent us.**

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**SAVE THE DATE!**



### ***Summer Reading Book Fair this Thursday!***

The Library Committee and Storybook Cove will be hosting the *Summer Reading Book Fair* from **5:30-7pm** on **Thursday May 30th**, the evening of the K-12 spring concert, in the science room at 100 Longwater.

All summer reading books will be available for purchase by cash/check/credit. **Books will be offered at 10% off list price to families, and another 10% will be donated to the school library on purchases made the evening of the fair ONLY.**

If you would like to volunteer to assist during the fair, please contact Bev Bruce [bbruce@sscps.org](mailto:bbruce@sscps.org).

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**From the Development Office**

Thank you for being a part of our school community!

Annual Fund participation. The members of the Board of Trustees have led the way by contributing 100% to our Annual Fund.

The South Shore Charter Educational Foundation is the non-profit organization that supports the South Shore Charter Public School by holding its mortgage and granting funds not covered by per capita tuition. We ask that all families participate! The school relies on the support of our community to provide students with the resources needed to keep class size low, to keep improving facilities, to provide books, musical instruments, and technology, and to keep our innovative project-based and service learning programs alive.

If you have participated in the Annual Fund previously, we thank you and ask you to consider increasing your support. If you have never participated, we ask you to make this a priority in your charitable giving during this fiscal year. SSCEF is a 501C(3) organization and your monetary contribution is tax deductible. Please check with your employer to see if they will match your donation, and if they offer education grants to public schools.

You can click [here](#) and make an online donation, or send a check payable to SSCEF to SSCEF, P.O. Box 512, Accord, MA, 02018. Thank you!

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Level I and Level II Families - Tomorrow is Grandparents and Special Friends Day! We are expecting over 200 guests to join us for a concert under the tent at our 100 Longwater Campus. We ask that you park in our lot at 100, and once parking is full, we would like you to park at 700 Longwater Drive, our high school campus. We will have a shuttle van available to drive you back and forth.

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Please save the date for Thursday, June 20th to head to the Brockton Rox game with your SSCPS friends! This event is open to all and scheduled the day after the last day of school due to the home game schedule with the Rox. Click [here](#) to purchase your \$10 per person ticket.

Wednesday	05/29	Senior Dinner	
Thursday	05/30	Grandparents Day Concert for Level I and Level II at 100	1:30-2:30pm
Thursday	05/30	Annual Spring Concert – Under the Tent at 100	6:00pm
Friday	05/31	Graduation Rehearsal	
Friday	05/31	Library Books are Due	
Saturday	06/01	Class of 2019 Graduation under the tent at 100 Longwater Drive	11:00am
Monday	06/03	Kindergarten EOM Day	

Wednesday	06/05	High School Science MCAS	
Wednesday	06/05	Executive Committee Meeting	8:00am
Wednesday	06/05	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Social at the SSCPS Gym	3:30-5:30pm

Weekly Updates are emailed and posted to our website [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org) every Wednesday.

Here are links to upcoming events and other items of interest.

- **News from the Library** -All library books are **DUE BACK on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**. Your assistance to help your student/s locate and return all materials is appreciated. **Final bills for lost books will be mailed on June 7th.** Questions? Email Bev Bruce @ [bbruce@sscps.org](mailto:bbruce@sscps.org). Thank you! **The Library Committee**
- **From the Health Office:** Now that the rain has gone, allergy season is here! There will be a huge increase in the pollen count in the next few weeks. Please remember to give your child their allergy medication at home, so they are ready to learn at school. Also, be aware that ticks are out and the kids play outside both at school and at home. Checking your child for ticks every day is a good habit to get into for the spring/summer months
- **Level II Paws for Cause Project** are collecting donations for a local animal shelter. [Click here](#) for donation information
- **Food Service** – **June** Order Forms and Menus are available!
- **Order your 2019 Yearbook!** Order online at [www.coffeepond.com](http://www.coffeepond.com) and use password: **bluejaguar** or complete an order form available at the front desks
- **SSCPS Counseling Department** offers workshop information and resources for students and families
- Visit our new online option to [purchase](#) SSCPS apparel
- Please visit our [Giving](#) link for information regarding *The Fund for SSCEF*
- Community Service Opportunity: [Carry5 Walk for Water](#) This event is just 1 week away. Sign-up today!

Please contact Pam Algera at [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org) to submit SSCPS items for publication.

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