



## Weekly Update | November 25, 2020

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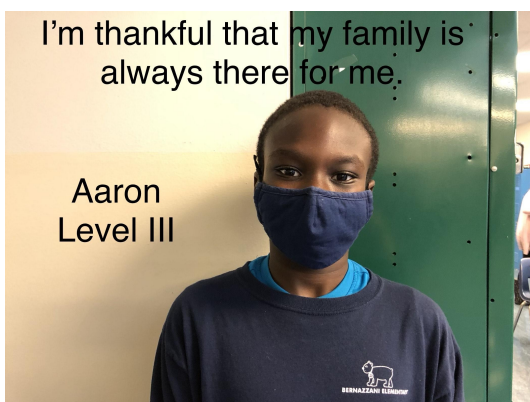
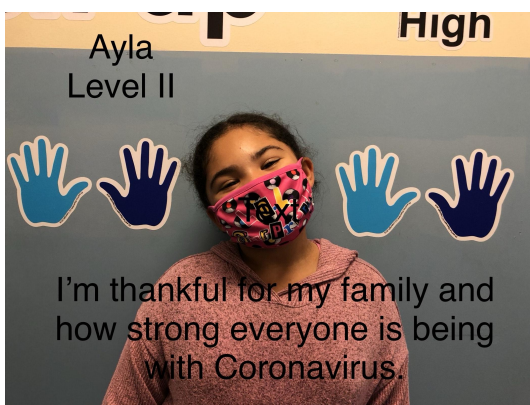
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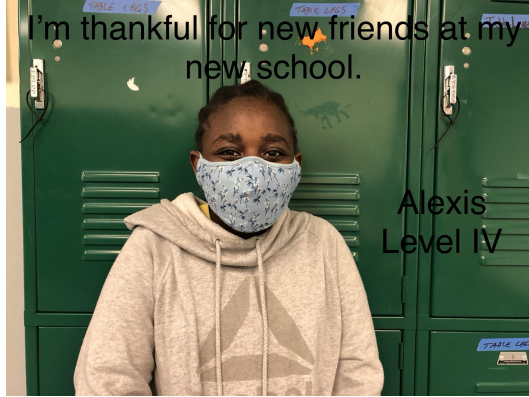


**Happy Thanksgiving!**

### **A Message from Krista ...**

Traditionally, Thanksgiving is a holiday to gather and enjoy time with friends and family. We know traditions may look different this holiday season. In place of large family gatherings there will be feasts Zoomed over the computer. It's difficult to see reasons to be thankful when for so many months we have sacrificed so much to keep our loved ones safe. This week SSCPS students were busy coloring cornucopias in Kindergarten, preparing Thanksgiving feasts in Math, and working on reflective essays on what it means to be grateful. Children are resilient and are showing signs of thanks. Our students are turning their attention toward the things they are thankful for this year.





Thank you to our families for everything you have done to keep our students and faculty safe and healthy this school year. We want to wish everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

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As a reminder, I have included an excerpt from Alicia's email on our travel policy below. Please reach out to the Health Office should you have any questions about your Thanksgiving travels and your child's return to school.

*As Thanksgiving and the holiday season approach, we would like to remind families of the health and safety guidelines put forward by Governor Baker and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health in the recently updated [COVID-19 Travel Order](#). The South Shore Charter Public School has enacted a strict travel protocol which requires that all students who return from traveling to high risk states or countries, or students who have been on a plane, must quarantine for fourteen (14) days. Students are expected to learn remotely during the 14-day quarantine period.*

*Our school policy regarding voluntary travel is stricter than the Massachusetts Travel Order. There is no exemption from quarantine if your child tests negative **prior** to returning to Massachusetts. Because of the nature of COVID-19 transmission, and the chance of exposure within the 72-hour period prior to returning to Massachusetts, the school does not consider the described testing measure to be adequately preventative. A 14-day quarantine is required by our school's [Health Office](#).*

*We greatly appreciate all you can do to adhere to the Massachusetts Travel Order as COVID-19 cases increase nationwide. Our families, faculty, and staff rely on one another to stay safe. We ask that if any families or staff members must travel, that they adhere to the quarantine guidelines.*

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Krista Cafourek  
5-8 Assistant Principal

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# Thanksgiving and Holiday Advisory

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Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## IMPORTANT

### Weekly COVID-19 Health Report

### Released on Thursday

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The [Massachusetts Department of Public Health Weekly COVID-19 Report](#), including the city/town data and map, will be posted on Thursday evening. The next report is scheduled for tomorrow, November 26, 2020.

The weekly report provides the count and rate of confirmed COVID-19 cases and tests, including the daily incidence rate in Massachusetts cities and towns over the last two weeks. We use this data as one way to determine if our school needs to transition learning models. If over 25 percent of our student population municipalities turn red for **three consecutive weeks**, the school will transition to or sustain full remote learning.

Our sending district student populations are as follows:

Weymouth 26%

Randolph 21%

Brockton 11%

Rockland 9%

Hanover 3%

These calculations mean the following:

Weymouth **red** = Full Remote Learning

Randolph + Rockland **red** = Full Remote Learning

Brockton + Randolph **red** = Full Remote Learning

District student percentage must add up to 25% or more to activate the transition to full remote learning. Last week one of our sending districts was deemed red by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

The school has transitioned back to hybrid and in-person learning. We will be sending email notification to all families Thursday afternoon or evening with updates regarding the current COVID-19 district metrics. Please be sure your contact information has been updated with the school by completing your emergency contact information.

Thank you for your ongoing patience and support.

## Housing Help

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Paying rent or a mortgage can be especially challenging during a pandemic. The Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development has centralized information about resources for families struggling to make rent or mortgage payments due to COVID-19. If you or another family you know needs assistance, please go to [www.mass.gov/covidhousinghelp](http://www.mass.gov/covidhousinghelp) for more information.

## WiFi Assistance

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Please use the buttons below for information regarding low cost internet services in your area.

**Low Cost Internet Services**

**NDIA Free and Low Cost Internet Plans**

**Lifeline Cell Phone Service Provider**



## From the Health Office

If your child has received the flu vaccine or other vaccines, please send a copy to the appropriate health office. Governor Baker has issued a flu shot mandate for all Massachusetts schoolchildren. Forms can be mailed, faxed or emailed to the appropriate nurse.

High school: [sdupras@sscps.org](mailto:sdupras@sscps.org) or [bfolan@sscps.org](mailto:bfolan@sscps.org)  
K-8 school: [dedwards@sscps.org](mailto:dedwards@sscps.org) or [jkelgaard@sscps.org](mailto:jkelgaard@sscps.org)  
Fax # 781-982-4201

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SSCPS now has an email for use when your child will be absent. This email address should be used for both In-Person and Remote students. The email is sent to the Health Office as well as both Front Desks.

Email: [Attendance@sscps.org](mailto:Attendance@sscps.org)

Please include the following information:

- Your student's name and grade
- Reason for Absence
- Contact phone number

If the absence is due to illness the nurse will call you back and ask you questions about symptoms.

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#### **COVID-19 Check**

Please remember to check your child for COVID-19 symptoms including temperature before arriving at school or getting on the bus. If your child is absent with symptoms or has been tested, even if negative you must **notify the health office** before your child returns to school. Please use the **attendance email** that is found on the SSCPS website to report a student absence even if your child is not ill but will be working remotely that day. If it is not reported you will receive a phone call from the school regarding the your child's absence.

Thank you,

Susan Dupras, RN x182

Darcie Edwards, RN x104

Barbara Folan, RN x104

Jaime Kjelgaard, RN x104

Visit the school's [Health Office](#) page for additional information.

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#### **From the SSCPS Board of Trustees**

#### **Call for Applications or Nominations to Serve on the Board of Trustees**

This June the terms of several members of the Board of Trustees will end. The Governance Sub-committee anticipates that there will be several openings for the three-year terms that will begin on July 1, 2021.

The Board is the governing body for SSCPS: it sets policy, creates committees,

and acts as fiduciaries. As the governing body of the school, trustees play an important role in advancing the school and helping its administrators and teachers achieve the goals for our students.

Why apply (or nominate someone) to serve on the Board and what are the Board's needs and expectations? We are looking for candidates who

- are collaborative, active listeners, and problem-solvers
- are willing to contribute their time and share their expertise to help SSCPS achieve its academic, social, and emotional goals for all students and to secure adequate funding to accomplish them
- will work with other members of the BOT and the school to foster stronger ties with parents, businesses, non-profit foundations, and sending communities

**How do I apply (or nominate someone)?**

Application materials are available on the [SSCPS website](#).

**Questions regarding application materials**

Please contact Prue Goodale, Chair of the Governance Sub-committee at [pgoodale@board.sscps.org](mailto:pgoodale@board.sscps.org) if you have questions or need additional information

**Submit materials by email to [pgoodale@board.sscps.org](mailto:pgoodale@board.sscps.org)**

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# ZOOM TUTORING


Need extra help with your classes this year?

**EMAIL [HONORA\\_SULLIVAN@STUDENT.SSCPS.ORG](mailto:HONORA_SULLIVAN@STUDENT.SSCPS.ORG)**

all grades, K-12



**South Shore Charter Educational Foundation Raffle Calendar from 11/16-12/15**  
 Raffle ticket fee 1 for \$10  
 3 for \$25  
 7 for \$50  
 We appreciate your support!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	16 Fruit Center \$50 Gift Card	17 Boston Bowl Party for 12 \$300	18 Buffalo Wild Wings Bucket with Gift Card	19 Weymouth Club One Month Family Membership & One Hour Massage	20 2 One-Day Passes to the Cape Codder Water Park and Tree Top Adventures Pass	21 Johnny Cupcakes Swag \$250 Value
22 The Cheesecake Factory \$100 Gift Card	23 Local Pottery handcrafted bowl with \$50 Gift Card	24 Dave and Busters \$25 Gift Card and Target \$25 Gift Card	25 Edaville Family Park Basket \$220 Value	26 South Coastal Animal Hospital \$100 Gift Card	27 5 South Main Street \$50 Gift Card	28 Two Night Cape Cod Getaway \$350
29 The Scarlet Oak \$50 Gift Card	30 Anne Balducci Cosmetics \$200 Gift Card	1 Apple Air Pods	2 Marathon Sports \$75 Gift Card	3 Starland Two Day Passes and Four Day Passes to Central Rock Gym	4 One pair of Oofos Sandals or Clogs \$79 Value	5 Nora Vasconcellos Autographed Skateboard with \$50 Gift Card to Technical Skate
6 The Juice Station \$50 Gift Card and One Hour Massage	7 Jersey Mike's Catering Box \$70 Value	8 Cardinal Cushing Pool Party \$250 Value	9 The Toy Box Basket of fun along with a \$50 Gift Card	10 The Company Theater \$75 Gift Card	11 The Black Tie \$50 Gift Card	12 Kings Bowling Party for 6 Adults \$250
13 Gourmet Garden \$60 Gift Card	14 Daddy's Beach Club Restaurant \$25 Gift Card and The Fresh Feast \$25 Gift Card	15 YMCA 3-Month Family Membership \$519	Please support and thank the local businesses that have generously donated over \$5000 worth of items to our school. Thank you for your generosity!			
Winners will be announced daily on our Facebook page and will be contacted Via email or cell. We will be shipping items to our winners. The more you buy the better your chances of winning multiple times!						
Inspiring every student to excel in academics, service, and life.						

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## From the South Shore Charter Educational Foundation

Thank you to the 128 folks that have participated in our [30 Day Fundraiser Calendar](#) to benefit our school. It's not too late to buy raffle tickets or make a donation. Please click and share our [link](#) and good luck!

Congratulations to the following winners:

Michelle Harris, Kerry Benjamin, Kristine Bingham, Joshua Hoch, Joyce Dandrow, Susan Habchy, Jen Byrne, Erica Hogan-Ziemba, and Krysta Hendrix. Prizes will be mailed to you.

Thank you to Katie Vecchione and Andrea Poudrier for selling SSCPS magnets, stickers, and signs to help benefit SSCEF. We appreciate all of your support and hard work!

## Updates from the Parents Association!

**School Spirit Sign** are in and available to order! SSCPS Magnets and Stickers also available for purchase. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

**[Purchase your School Spirit Signs HERE!](#)**

*Shout out to Jen Bryne for bringing forward this idea to raise money for our school community!*



Weds	11/25	Remote Learning for All Students	8:15a-12:05p
Thurs & Fri	11/26-11/27	Thanksgiving Break – No School	
Mon-Thurs	11/30-12/03	Team A In-Person; Team B Remote Learning	
Tuesday	12/01	1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester Ends for Grades K-4	
Wednesday	12/02	Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom	8:00am
Friday	12/04	Remote Learning for All Students	8:15a-12:05p

### ***Important Links***

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

- [Food Service](#)
- [Health Office](#)
- [Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance](#)
- Visit the [Parents Association Website](#)
- Visit our new online option to [purchase](#) SSCPS apparel

### ***School Documents***

[2020-21 School Calendar](#)

[Student and Family Handbook](#)

[SSCPS By-Laws](#)

Here are links to upcoming events and other items of interest. Please contact Pam Algera at [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org) to submit SSCPS items for publication.



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[www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org)

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