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#### Weekly Update | June 1, 2022

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#### A Message from Alicia

The first day of June is upon us. Here at school students are enjoying springtime and the activities they have been looking forward to all year. After a year of hard work, it is nice we have been able to celebrate our students and all they bring to our school community each day.



Students enjoy Italian Ice at 100 Longwater to celebrate Cultural Diversity month.

The next three weeks will be busy ones. We are looking forward to celebrating the Class of 2022 on Friday evening at the 27th Commencement Exercises. Student performances continue, EoMs appear throughout the campus, field trips and final exams will fill our days. As much as is happening day to day, we have already started to look to next year and the changes that the new school year will bring.



Level III Choral Performance | May 31, 2022

On the evening of May 12, 2022, the SSCPS Board of Trustees voted to approve the school budget for the upcoming school year. Included in this budget is regional transportation. By voting to approve, the Board voted unanimously in full support of establishing a transportation program to provide bus routes for all students from all sending districts for next year.

The slides from Executive Director May Report may be found <u>here</u>. The complete Executive Director Report may be found <u>here</u>.

On the evening of May 12, immediately following the vote, we contacted the Massachusetts Department of Education (DESE) to move this essential initiative forward. I am happy to write that on Friday we received word from the DESE that will allow us to take the next steps. These steps include submitting a revised Enrollment Policy which clearly defines regional transportation for all families residing in our 26 sending districts. The Enrollment Policy and corresponding documents are ready for submission today.

Although it is too soon to have received the official word from the DESE, we remain hopeful that our new Enrollment Policy will be approved in the next six weeks. Over the next few days we will be sending out transportation survey forms to all families so that we can determine bus routes for next year. It is imperative that each family seeking transportation complete the form and return it by June 15, 2022. As always please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Alicia Savage Executive Director





Level III chorus students singing True Colors by Cyndi Lauper. True Colors Day is a celebration at SSCPS of everyone's distinct and individual personality.



# **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

## FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD EARLY DISMISSAL AT NOON

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Cultural Celebration continues at SSCPS with our Italian Ice Event!







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## **Celebrating Asian Pacific Island Heritage Month**

Asian Literature and the United States Helen Ji Li, Presenter



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High school students learned about the contributions of Asian Americans to American Literature and Culture. Click <u>here</u> to watch the full video.

## LITERACY NIGHT

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Families in Levels I and II participated in Literacy Night.

## **SSCPS ARTIST SPOTLIGHT**

SSCPS has started an Artist Spotlight highlighting the musical talent we have at the school. Click the button below to view our first Artist Spotlight: SSCPS student Wunyoh Loc!

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

## **From the Parents Association**



2022-2023 Parent Association Election for SSCPS! Survey Closes: 6/3/2020 – Click the link below to cast your vote:

## New PA will be announced in Weekly on June 8 and inducted at the June Meeting (Zoom)

Thank you all for coming to cast a ballot for all Parents Association positions. Only SSCPS Parents and Guardians may cast votes.

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,
- If you would like to self-nominate for a position that has no nominees, please insert your name with brief intro. Election will be held at June PA meeting,
- If there is a dispute or demand for a recount, at least one member of the Election Team and one school administrator will be engaged to review or re-count 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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Attention 8th grade families: More information will be coming to your email soon!



#### The 2022 Senior Trip to Six Flags has launched!

Thank you to all of the sponsors who supported the seniors as they come to a close on their high school careers. Special thanks to the Parent Association for your generous donation to make this day possible.

## **Traffic Reminders**

We appreciate your efforts to be a good neighbor to our surrounding office buildings. We are asking that all cars waiting in line not use neighboring properties as places to park or drive through when dropping off or picking up your students. Please do not block our neighbors' driveways and entrances during drop off or pick up.

**Please do not drop off or pick up students from 104 Longwater Drive.** There is a daycare center in two sections and multiple rooms of the building in addition to two playgrounds adjacent to the parking lot, rendering this area unable to safely accommodate additional traffic.

Once again, we have received unconfirmed reports from our neighbors that cars from our lines were pulling into their entrance and doing U-turns while not paying attention and using cell phones. If this is the case, we are asking those responsible to cease this practice. The driveway and parking lots of our neighbors are not public parking lots or roads. Our neighbors have raised concerns in the past and we do not want to give them any reason to report our families to the Norwell Police Department.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



Seniors: college is right around the corner, and that means it's time to start applying for scholarships! Click the link below to view the updated scholarships and resources available at our school's website:

• Town scholarships

• General scholarships and resources for applying

#### SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

## From the Health Office

As of last week, unvaccinated students who are a close contact outside of school do not need to quarantine. Unvaccinated students who are a close contact are required to wear a mask for ten days and testing is recommended on days two and five.

With the warmer weather, kids will be spending more time outside. Please remember to check your student daily for ticks. Some ticks can be very small. Please remember to apply sunscreen and bug spray before your student comes to school. Staff is not allowed to apply any sunscreen or bug spray to students. Don't forget to pack water bottles daily, hydration is very important.

https://www.cdc.gov/ticks/index.html

## At-Home Rapid Antigen Testing (NEW opt-in form)

- 1. At-Home Rapid Antigen Testing on Sunday (NEW opt-in form)
- 2. Routine COVID Safety Checks every week (If you have not yet signed up, <u>click here</u>. If you are setting up a secondary account, please put the code: **KDHEHV** under the organization code.)
- 3. Symptomatic Testing (If you have not yet signed up, <u>click here</u>)

#### **Overview: At-Home Rapid Testing Program**

- About the Test: <u>iHealth</u> is a 15-minute at-home FDA-approved rapid antigen test
- **Opt-In:** To participate, you must opt in by completing the form. By opting in, you will agree to review the training materials for test administration, report positive test results to your student's school, and administer the tests according to SSCPS Health Office guidelines.

- Weekly: Every two weeks you will receive an iHealth at-home rapid test kit. Each kit contains two individual tests. Your student will administer one test each week on Sunday.
- **Reporting Positive Test Results:** If your student tests positive on an at-home antigen test, you will inform their school of the positive result using the [Positive Test Result Notification form]. The school will keep the results confidential and will not make individual results public. In addition, it is strongly recommended that you inform your healthcare professional of the positive result.
- **Easy, Free, and Flexible**: This test is administered at home (not at school), reducing the burden on school staff and time to administer tests and increasing a family's flexibility to do testing in the home for free.

#### How do I administer the test?

- Click here for a full "how to" written guide in various languages
- Click here for a video of an individual self-testing

#### How do I submit results?

- **Submit Results**: You must submit positive test results to your student's school. <u>Click here</u> to submit positive test results.
- **Confidentiality**: Positive test results are shared with your school district for informational purposes only. Individual results will remain confidential, and they will never be made public.

#### **Darcie Edwards, RN**

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### Free COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic & Test Site

Beginning on Tuesday February 8, 2022, the Town of Marshfield is offering a COVID 19 vaccine and testing site at the Marshfield Fairgrounds 61 South River Street in Marshfield. The clinic is open for all Plymouth County residents on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-3pm. Appointments can be made by logging onto <u>www.marshfieldcares.com</u> or the service is also available for walk-ins. The clinic has all 3 vaccines and boosters, if you have your vaccination card, please bring it with you. The vaccinations and test are done through a drive-thru operation that is free and convenient.

#### **Food Service - Breakfast and Lunch Program**

June Breakfast and Lunch Order Forms are now available!

All students enrolled at SSCPS qualify for Free Breakfast and Lunch for the 2021-2022 academic year. Please click on this link - <u>FamilyID Online</u> <u>Registration</u> - and register for meals. If you have any questions, contact me at <u>csalamone@sscps.org</u> or at 781-982-4202 x156.



The Parents Association is working to ensure teachers can fill their classrooms with the items they need. To help support our teachers and their classrooms, please view the wishlists below.

Thank you!

**VIEW WISHLISTS** 

## This Week | Up and Coming

Wednesday	06/01	Senior Field Trip to Six Flags	
Wednesday	06/01	Level IV Art Project to Marshfield	
Thursday	06/02	Graduation Rehearsal and Grad Walk at 100	
Friday	06/03	Professional Development Early Release	12:00pm
Friday	06/03	Class of 2020 Graduation at 700 Longwater Drive	6:00pm
Monday	06/06	Move Up Day	
Tues & Weds	06/07 & 06/08	MCAS High School Science	
Tuesday	06/07	Last Day for Kindergarteners	
Wednesday	06/08	Level III Field Day	
Thursday	06/09	Level II Forge Park Field Day	

## **IMPORTANT LINKS**

Weekly Updates are emailed and posted to our website <a href="http://www.sscps.org">website</a> <a href="http://www.sscps.org">www.sscps.org</a> <a href="http://www.sscps.org">every Wednesday</a>.

- <u>Back-to-School Information</u>
- Food Service
- <u>COVID-19 Protocols 2021-22</u>
- Health Office
- <u>Massachusetts Department of Transitional</u>
  <u>Assistance</u>
- Visit the Parents Association Website
- Visit our new online option to <u>purchase</u> SSCPS apparel!

School Documents:

2021-22 School Calendar

<u>Student and Family</u> <u>Handbook</u>

<u>Arrival and Dismissal</u> <u>Procedures</u>

SSCPS By-Laws

Here are links to upcoming events and other items of interest. Please contact Pam Algera at <u>palgera@sscps.org</u> to submit SSCPS items for publication.



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