Raider Family Focus











Values

We care about ALL students.

Beliefs

We believe ALL students can and will learn.

Vision

All means ALL!
Personalized Learning
for ALL students.

Hard-Hat Hero

Staff member of the week







Tweet of the Week!



SMS Speech & Debate @smsdebate · 5d

After a long weekend of debates against the best teams in the state, Clare Bradley & Brooklynn Hato are your Kansas Debate Coaches Invitational 2023 Champs!!! We are so proud of SMS BH who did not drop a ballot all weekend! #RaiderDB8fam









Follow Dr. Dain on Twitter@SMSouthTDain Instagram@SMSouthTDain

PJ Born teaches Environmental Education at South and was nominated by his colleagues: "Earlier this fall, Mr. Born coached our teams to a 1st place and 3rd place finish at the State ECO meet! P.J. is someone we can always rely on and goes above and beyond to make South the best place to work. P.J. always makes time to help students and anyone that needs his help." Thank you Mr. Born for making South awesome!

Email Dr. Dain to nominate a South staff member for the Hard Hat Hero Award

SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JAN 16	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20
NO SCHOOL MLK Day	Even Block	Odd Block	LATE START Even Block	Odd Block
JAN 23	JAN 24	JAN 25	JAN 26	JAN 27
Traditional Schedule	Even Block Come Look at South 6:30-8:30pm	Odd Block	LATE START Even Block	Odd Block
JAN 30	JAN 31	FEB 1	FEB 2	FEB 3
Traditional Schedule	Even Block	Odd Block	LATE START Even Block	Odd Block
FEB 6	FEB 7	FEB 8	FEB 9	FEB 10
Sweetheart Assembly		Odd Block	LATE START	
Traditional Schedule	Even Block	Parent Teacher	Even Block	Odd Block
7:00pm PTSA Meeting		Conferences 5:00-8:00pm		
FEB 13	FEB 14	FEB 15	FEB 16	FEB 17
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Traditional Schedule	Even Block	Odd Block	Even Block	Odd Block
FEB 20	FEB 21	FEB 22	FEB 23	FEB 24
NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day	Even Block	Odd Block	LATE START Even Block	Odd Block
FEB 27	FEB 28	MAR 1	MAR 2	MAR 3
Traditional Schedule	Kansas ACT Test Even Block	Odd Block	LATE START Even Block	Odd Block
MAR 6	MAR 7	MAR 8	MAR 9	MAR 10
Odd Block	Even Block	Odd Block	LATE START Even Block	NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day
7:00pm PTSA Meeting				
MAR 13	MAR 14	MAR 15	MAR 16	MAR 17
NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK



PTSA Meetings - 7:00pm - Library

Monday, February 6*
Monday, March 6*
Wednesday, April 5

*updated!

Project Graduation

Hi Parents of 2023 Seniors,

The Project Graduation Committee has been busy planning a fun night for our seniors! After graduation on May 16th, the seniors are invited to attend the post-graduation party at The Main Event from 9pm - 1am. We have more opportunities for you to be a part of this fun night and to share your thoughts, talents or time. Our next meeting is Monday, 2/6/23 at 6:00 pm in the SMS Library. Contact Dara Giuliani daragiuliani@gmail.com or Molly Gray dmgray0502@gmail.com with any questions! Let your Senior celebrate their Senior status with a 2023 Senior T-shirt! Order your SMS Class of 2023 T-shirt today & support Project Grad. Order deadline is 1/22/2023 https://smsseniors.itemorder.com.

Monday, February 6, 2023 – 6:00pm SMS Library (note time change)



Follow @counselingSMS on twitter
Facebook 'Shawnee Mission South Counseling'

- 2023-2024 Enrollment began this week. This is where students plan and choose their course selections for the following school year. The deadline for course submissions is 1/27. Counselors will be presenting to students in ELA classes 1/10 through 1/18 and then will be available for individual appointments from 1/18-1/27. Please keep an eye on your email for more information.
- Jan 12 @ the CAA 8:30-11:30am- Low Income Energy Assistance Program Application Assistance. For more information please call 993-6200
- KC Scholars is a great scholarship opportunity for Freshmen and Juniors! The application is now open and the deadline is 2/24. Visit www.kcscholars.org for more information or reach out to our College Adviser.
- Is your child struggling in a class? Academic First Tutoring is available after school. Reach out to your child's teacher or their counselor for more info.
- Need help with the FAFSA? Our College Adviser, <u>Lucycoopman@smsd.org</u>, is happy to assist senior families with the FAFSA and the college application process.
- 9th and 10th graders who may be interested in taking a SMSD Signature Course in the future should contact <u>tracijohnston@smsd.org</u> for more information. Tours are available this month. More info to be shared during the enrollment presentation. View <u>SMSD</u> <u>Signature Programs</u> and <u>SMSD Career Technical Education</u> for more information
- In need of some help? Fill out the <u>Family Assistance Request Form</u> or simply call 913-993-7530 to talk with a social worker.
- Visit <u>Johnson County Mental Health Center</u> and <u>Johnson County Family Resources</u> for family/adolescent support.
- Recursos en Español- <u>El Centro</u> <u>JoCo Salud Mental- se habla Español.</u>

Upcoming College Visits to South 2022-2023

College and University admissions representatives come to the Counseling Center at Shawnee Mission South to share about the college/university they represent. If you are interested in attending a specific visit, please contact Mrs. Ross, Counseling Secretary, at christinaross@smsd.org.

January

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Missouri Western State University	Wednesday, January 18	9:20
Minneapolis College of Art & Design	Wednesday, January 18	1:05 (virtual)
Missouri Welding Institute	Wednesday, January 25	1:05

February		
Washburn University	Monday, February 6	12:55
Missouri University of Science and Technology	Tuesday, February 7	1:05
Kansas State University	Tuesday, February 21	1:05
Truman State University	Friday, February 24	1:05
Johnson County Community College	Monday, February 27	10:30
March		
Oklahoma Christian University	Monday, March 6	10:30
April		
Marquette University	Wednesday, April 5	1:05





SMS Raiders RISE

Respectful to Others Initiates Change School Pride Empowered Learner

#RaidersRise

PURPOSE

Monthly reward raffle for qualifying students who help Raiders RISE above expectations and develop an accepting and safe culture. RISE recipients are announced the first Monday of the month.

HOW TO QUALIFY

- 1 or less unexcused absences
- 1 or less tardies
- 90% attendance rate

- 0 discipline referrals
- No Fs

Congratulations to our JANUARY Raiders R.I.S.E. winners:

Freshmen: Elise Pai

Sophomore: Lexie Johnson

Junior: David Derr

Senior: Angelo Sanders





Parent Teacher Conferences Wednesday, February 8 5:00-8:00pm



Conferences held in teacher classrooms/offices.

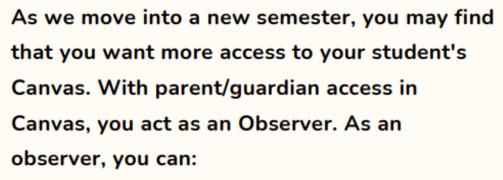
**We will use 'Open' scheduling, with no appointment needed. We ask parents to keep conversations to 5-10 minutes. If conference is taking place, please wait in the hallway or come back later.

TECH TIPS



CANVAS

Observer Access



- · View student grades
- View the calendar
- View a list of assignments with due dates
- Read announcements
- Receive email or text notifications for announcements, assignments, and more







Health Office Update

Health Office~ January 2023

REMINDER~~Parents~~ if your student has texted you to go home, please call them out of attendance 993-7545.

Please do not send them to the nurses office to be called out. Thank you.





Start the new year off right~ Eat Breakfast, Get enough sleep, and stay hydrated. We have water bottle filling stations. BRING YOUR WATER BOTTLE

If you are still missing any state required Immunizations, our deadline is Jan 13, 2023. Send them into SOYORK@SMSD.ORG





Pack extra clothes~~~ stuff happens, plan ahead. The Health Office is very limited on space and we do NOT have any extra clothes. Please toss in your backpack, locker or car.

Angie York - SM South Nurse 913.993.7516 soyork@smsd.org



Job Speaker Series

During Seminar

Come learn a little more about different professions

11/29- Abby Eden
Television Journalist
12/06- Roginia Moore
Realtor
01/31- LaDonna Thompson
Vet Tech

02/14- Meghan Dudek
Interior Design
02/21- Zach Olinger
IT Solutions Architect

03/21- Christi Mook
Fashion Merchandising
03/28- Bridget Anaya
Funeral Director
04/11- Maggie Flynn
Risk Managment/
Insurance
04/18- Macee Kelly

Esthetician

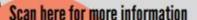




Sign up here
You must sign up to



SMSD COMMUNITY READ





WHAT IS IT?

Reading books is a great way to connect with one another! The Project Lit chapters at SM Northwest, SM West, and SM South would like to invite all members of our school communities to read a book alongside their child.

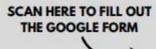
Students identified the topics they wished the adults in their lives had a deeper understanding of, and then chose books that address those topics. Students--if you want to participate, regardless of whether or not an adult in your life is, that's awesome and we'd love for you to join us!

Parents, caregivers, and students can choose a book to read--maybe you and your child choose the same one, maybe you don't. We will all come together one evening to discuss the books and hopefully create meaningful connections and a better understanding of one another.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Please visit the <u>SMSD Community Read</u> website.

There you will find more information, tentative dates (late February), links to descriptions for each book, and a Google form to fill out if you are interested.





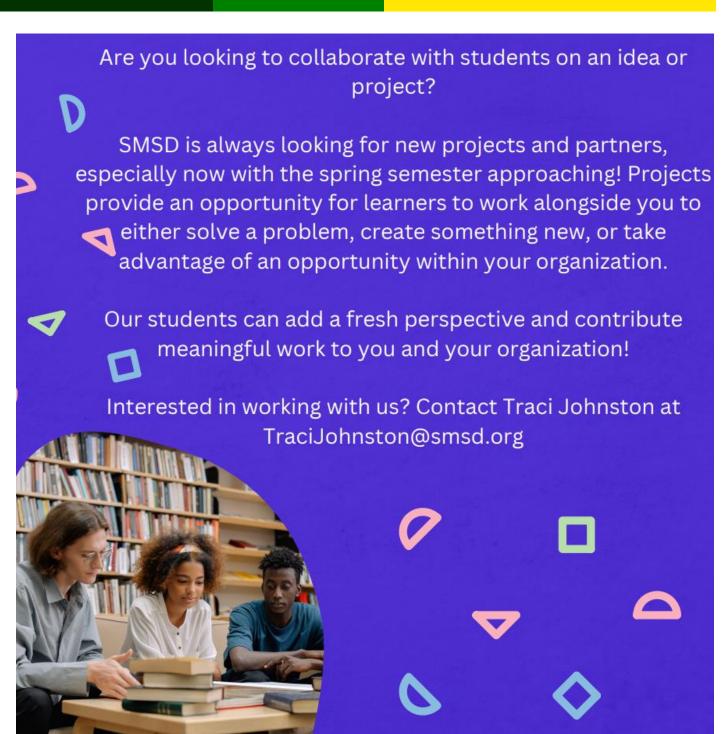
I'M IN! WHAT SHOULD I DO?

If you have questions, please email the following people:

SMNW: rebeccaanthony@smsd.org SMW: annestowers@smsd.org

SMS: juliefales@smsd.org

If you are ready to commit and choose a book, please scan the QR code to the left and fill out the Google form.





Real World Learning







CLIENT-CONNECTED PROJECTS



Client-Connected Projects (CCPs) are about giving students a chance to collaborate, gain experience, and work on authentic problems and projects in their community.

SMSD and the Kauffman Foundation are committed to providing these relevant, meaningful opportunities to young people, but we can't do it without the help of our community.





"I think for me the biggest realization was that we can make a difference. This is something I'll take with me for the rest of my life. You don't learn this in a textbook."

-Megan Z, junior, Kearney School District

CCPs move our students one step closer to our community's vision of SMSD graduates who possess the key skills and attributes needed to succeed.



PORTRAIT OF AN SMSD GRADUATE

Ready to explore the possibilities?

Email: Lindsey McFall @ lindseymcfall@smsd.org Traci Johnston @ tracijohnston@smsd.org

OR

Fill out an interest form, and we will contact you



CCP Interest Form



SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH SPEECH AND DEBATE CLUB

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24TH | 4-8PM 6879 W 91ST ST, OVERLAND PARK, KS, 66212

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE BMDB4RJ
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.









SM SOUTH AP CAPSTONE DIPLOMA PROGRAM

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

A two year sequence of individualized, collegelevel research courses taken junior and senior year of high school

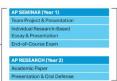
How It Works

If you earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams of your choice, you'll receive the AP Capstone Diploma*.

If you earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research, you'll receive the AP Seminar and Research Certificate."



AP Capstone Diploma





4 AP COURSES & EXAMS

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academic benefits

*Earn college credit

*Develop research, writing, and presentation skills

*Complete Real World Learning targets

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graduation benefits

*Distinguish self on college applications

*Be recognized at graduation ceremony



personal benefits

*Pursue passion projects

*Engage in individualized curriculum

*Develop project management skills

SM South Athletics & Activities Calendar January 16-21, 2023

Access all SM South athletics and activity event calendar with real-time updates at www.sunflowerleague.org
Monday, January 16, 2023 – NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 - BLOCKS 2 - Seminar - 4 - 6

6:00pm Basketball: Girls C Team Tournament vs. Multiple Schools @ Shawnee Mission East Main Gym

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 - BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

3:30pm	Bowling: JV/Varsity Game	vs. Multiple Schools@ Olathe Lanes East
5:30pm	Wrestling: Boys Triangular	vs. Multiple Schools@ <u>Shawnee Mission South Main Gym</u>
6:00pm	Basketball: Boys Soph / Frosh-A Game	vs. Olathe West @ Olathe West High School
6:00pm	Basketball: Boys Sophomore Game	vs. Olathe West @ Olathe West High School
7:30pm	Basketball: Boys Freshman-B Game	vs. Olathe West @ Olathe West High School
7:30pm	Basketball: Boys JV Game	vs. Olathe West @ Olathe West High School

Thursday, January 19, 2023 - Late Start - BLOCKS 2 - Advisory - 4 - 6

3:30pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament	vs. Junction City @ Dodge City, Ks
TBD	Swimming: Boys Varsity Dual	vs. Blue Valley Northwest @ SM Aquatic Center
3:00pm	Bowling: IV/Varsity Game	vs. Multiple Schools@ Mission Bowl N'Olathe
5:30pm	Basketball: Girls JV Game	vs. Liberty North @ Liberty North High School
6:00pm	Wrestling: Boys JV Mixer	vs. Multiple Schools@ Blue Valley West High School
6:30pm	Basketball: Girls C Team Game	vs. Liberty North @ Liberty North High School
7:00pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game	vs. Liberty North @ Liberty North High School

Friday, January 20, 2023 - BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

TBD	Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament	vs. TBA @ Dodge City, Ks
TBD	Swimming: Boys Varsity District	vs. TBA @ SM Aquatic Center
4:00pm	Wrestling: Boys Varsity Husky Invitational	vs. Multiple Schools @ <u>Blue Valley Northwest</u>
6:00pm	Basketball: Girls C Team Tournament	vs. Multiple Schools @ Shawnee Mission East Main Gym

Saturday, January 21, 2023

TBD	Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament	vs. TBA @ Dodge City, Ks
TBD	Wrestling: Girls Varsity Invitational	vs. Olathe South @ Olathe South
8:00am	Swimming: Boys Varsity Invitational	vs. Multiple Schools@ <u>SM Aquatic Center</u>
10:00am	Basketball: Boys Freshman-A Game	vs. Blue Valley North @ Blue Valley North
10:00am	Wrestling: Boys Varsity Husky Invitational	vs. Multiple Schools @ Blue Valley Northwest
11:30am	Basketball: Boys Freshman-B Game	vs. Blue Valley North @ Blue Valley North

