

SM SOUTH



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

Christie Ross



Tweet of the Week!



Ms.Morgan @_SMSMorgan · 3d
What better way to start finals week then telling these four amazing students they have received a \$10,000/year scholarship for up to 5 years to @Mizzou through @KcScholars. Congrats to Milad, Kelly, Michelle, and Nhat!



twitter



Follow Dr. Dain @SMSouthTDain

Christie Ross is the secret weapon of the counseling department. Scheduling appointments, taking calls, filling in for co-workers- she does it all. She's committed to giving everyone who enters the counseling office the best experience possible. One of her lab assistants said that, "Mrs. Ross always greets students with a smile and is so friendly and helpful to everyone who enters the counselor's office. She always asks how my day is going and makes everyone feel welcome!" Thank you Mrs. Ross for all you do for South!

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

SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
DEC 24 Winter Break	DEC 25 Winter Break	DEC 26 Winter Break	DEC 27 Winter Break	DEC 28 Winter Break
DEC 31 Winter Break	JAN 1 Winter Break	JAN 2 Winter Break	JAN 3 NO SCHOOL Teacher Directed Professional Learning	JAN 4 NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day
JAN 7 Traditional Schedule	JAN 8 Traditional Schedule	JAN 9 Odd Block	JAN 10 Late Start - PLC Even Block	JAN 11 Traditional Schedule
JAN 14 Traditional Schedule	JAN 15 Traditional Schedule	JAN 16 Odd Block	JAN 17 Late Start - PLC Even Block	JAN 18 Traditional Schedule
JAN 21 NO SCHOOL MLK Day	JAN 22 Traditional Schedule	JAN 23 Odd Block	JAN 24 Late Start - PLC Even Block	JAN 25 Traditional Schedule

ACT Test Date

Registration Deadline

Late Registration Deadline

February 9, 2019

January 11, 2019

January 18, 2019

April 13, 2019

March 8, 2019

March 25, 2019

June 8, 2019

May 3, 2019

May 20, 2019

July 13, 2019*

June 14, 2019

June 24, 2019





Respectful to Others
Initiates Change
School Pride
Empowered Learner
#RaidersRise

1 or less unexcused absences
90% attendance rate
0 discipline referrals
No Fs



PURPOSE

Monthly reward raffle
for qualifying students
who help Raiders RISE
above expectations and
develop an accepting
and safe culture.
#RaidersRise



R.I.S.E
September 7
October 5
November 2
December 7
January 4
February 1
March 1
April 5
May 3



**Congratulations to our
December
Raiders R.I.S.E.
Under Armour winners:**

Addison Foley
Scott Arnold
Jill May
Francisco Garcia



UNDER ARMOUR

#CultureWins



Upcoming College/Military Visits to Shawnee Mission South January

Thursday, January 10	University of North Texas-1:15
Wednesday, January 16	Wichita State University-1:15
Thursday, January 24	Johnson and Wales University-1:15

April

Tuesday, April 2	Simpson College-10:30
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Counseling Announcements:

- Friday, December 21st was the LAST day to request a schedule change for 2nd semester!
- Shawnee Mission's Signature Summit annual event, held to help parents and students find out more about the district's Signature Programs is January 15th, 2019. 5:30-7:30 at the Center for Academic Achievement.
- ACT Power Prep Course- Jan 4th from 8am-12pm at SM South! Pre-Register: <https://powerprepinc.com/%20shawnee-mission-south-jan-2019/>
- 2019-2020 9th-12th Enrollment will occur Jan 11th - Feb 7th. Counselors will visit English classes.
- The KC Scholars Scholarship Application opens Jan. 1st for 9th and 11th graders. For more information visit: <http://kcscholars.org/>.



ACT Test Prep Class

Want to increase your ACT score?

Apply for more scholarships?

Improve your chances for admission at your
college of choice?

This class is for you.

Don't miss this opportunity!



Friday, January 4, 2019

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

SMS Learning Commons

For more information & to register for the class visit

**[https://powerprepinc.com/
shawnee-mission-south-jan-2019/](https://powerprepinc.com/shawnee-mission-south-jan-2019/)**

PTSA Meeting

January 9th at 7:00 pm

REAL TALK

Our panel will lead an open discussion about teenage use of illegal substances and the consequences at school, sports and in the legal system. Bring questions, concerns and rumors to be addressed:

Our panel will include:

- *Dr. Dain, Principal of SM South*
- *Kyle Lathrop, OP Police Department*
- *Robb Edmonds, Defense Attorney*
- *Terry Tinich, Women's basketball coach and gifted facilitator*



Talking about youth mental health



YOUR CHILD'S MENTAL WELLNESS AND YOU

JANUARY 15TH, 2019

6:30PM

SM NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

PLEASE RSVP

[HTTP://BIT.LY/SMSDMENTALHEALTH](http://bit.ly/smsdmentalhealth)

Hear from a panel of experts on adolescent mental health and wellness, how it affects the family, and what you can do to support your child on their journey of mental wellness.



SMS South Project Graduation

Dear South Family and Friends,

Significant moments in life make the best memories, and high school graduation is one of those moments. Project Graduation may be the second most memorable event in the class of 2019's lifetime because it's coupled with the joy of walking across the stage, receiving a diploma and then gathering for a final night of togetherness where there will be laughs, tears, hugs, and goodbyes.

We want the memories of the entire graduation night to be positive and safe. Therefore, every graduating student is invited to attend Project Graduation, a fun, safe, and substance free event. This event will be held at Power Play Family Entertainment Center (www.powerplaykc.com).

Project Graduation is costly, and we need your monetary assistance to make this safe event financially feasible for each student. Statistically 28% (105) seniors at our school are economically disadvantaged, making an event like Project Graduation difficult to attend. In order for the entire senior class to be able to participate in this event, it will cost \$7,000. We are asking each family and friend of SMS to help offset the cost by making a generous financial donation today.

Because your financial gift is tax deductible, you benefit, as well as each Shawnee Mission South student because they will have the opportunity to attend Project Graduation. Will you consider giving your best financial gift today? Every dollar raised will significantly reduce the cost per senior student to attend Project Graduation!

Sincerely,

Project Graduation Parents and Students

P.S. Not only is your financial gift important, we also need senior parents as volunteers to help throughout the night. Are you interested in stepping up to help make this an evening to remember? If so, please contact Hannah Baine or Lynne Erwin at smsouthprojectgraduation@gmail.com

Suggested donation amount: \$50-Senior families, \$25-Underclassmen families

WAYS TO GIVE:

1. Cash or Check made out to "SMS Project Graduation".

Mail check/cash to:

Shawnee Mission South High School

c/o SMS Project Graduation

5800 West 107th Street

Overland Park, KS 66207

2. <https://smsouthprojectgrad.wixsite.com/projectgraduation/donate>

Project Graduation Website (processes PayPal as well as credit/debit cards)

SM South Activities Calendar – December 22, 2018 thru January 5, 2019

Saturday, December 22 – Wednesday, January 2

NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK – OFFICES CLOSED

Thursday, January 3 – NO SCHOOL – OFFICES CLOSED

6:00pm	Basketball: Boys Freshman A Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Aux Gym
6:00pm	Basketball: Boys Sophomore Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Main Gym
7:30pm	Basketball: Girls Freshman A Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Main Gym
7:30pm	Basketball: Boys Freshman B Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Aux Gym

**Friday, January 4, 2019 – NO SCHOOL - OFFICES OPEN
TEACHER WORK DAY**

8:00am-12:00pm	ACT Power Prep Course	Library
3:45pm	Basketball: Girls JV Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Main Gym
5:30pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Main Gym
5:30pm	Basketball: Boys JV Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Aux Gym
7:00pm	Basketball: Girls C-Team Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Aux Gym
7:00pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Olathe-South @ Shawnee Mission South Main Gym

Saturday, January 5, 2019

[Band & Orchestra KMEA All-State Auditions](#)

[Salina Central High School](#)

9:00am [Wrestling: Varsity Tournament](#)

vs. Blue Springs, Blue Valley North, Blue Valley Northwest, FL Schlagle, Lawrence Free State, Olathe East, Olathe West, Shawnee Mission-West, Topeka West, Washburn Rural, Washington @ [Shawnee Mission South High School](#)

