

# RAIDER STRONG



## Mission

Our mission is to personalize learning to ensure that ALL students are socially responsible, informed, and productive life-long learners.

## 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

**Niki Dosland**



## Tweet of the Week!



**Annie Hasan** @ustathaannie · 3d  
Review activity for Arabic 4, recreating a map of our city! No English. Finished product to follow... #RealWorld #21stcenturyLearning #smsouth #OurSouthStory #OurSMSDstory #ISpeakArabic #languagematters #Arabiclangchat #CultureWins #NothingGreaterThanaRaider #SMSDArabic #LangChat



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Niki Dosland serves as our lead Counselor at South, and, in addition to her counseling responsibilities, she leads our LINK Crew student team in welcoming students to school and supporting their journey throughout the year. Ms. Dosland works closely with her assigned students, ensuring they are enrolled in classes that best meet their needs. She takes on the challenges of creating a schedule for all students, and often spends time beyond the school day to make adjustments that meet both student and teacher needs. Our freshman are welcomed to South through the efforts of our LINK Crew, under her supervision. Thanks to Ms. Dosland's guidance, our upperclassmen are ready to build effective relationships with students who are new to South. Ms. Dosland is a tireless member of the South Family.

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



# **The Power of PLC**

**#CultureWins**

“The Truth is that numbers and goals don’t drive people. People with a PURPOSE drive the numbers and achieve goals.

Research clearly shows that true motivation is driven by meaning and purpose rather than extrinsic rewards, numbers, and goals!” – Daniel Decker

# SM SOUTH CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUG 22 Traditional Schedule Back-To-School Night 7:00pm	AUG 23 Even Block	AUG 24 Odd Block PAC Night 7:00pm	AUG 25 NO LATE START Even Block	AUG 26 Odd Block
AUG 29 Odd Block	AUG 30 Even Block Pep Assembly	AUG 31 Odd Block	SEPT 1 LATE START Even Block	SEPT 1 NO SCHOOL Professional learning
SEPT 5 NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY	SEPT 6 Faculty Meeting 7:00am or 2:55pm Even Block	SEPT 7 Odd Block PTSA Meeting 7:00pm - Library	SEPT 8 LATE START Even Block	SEPT 9 Odd Block
SEPT 12 Traditional Schedule	SEPT 13 Even Block	SEPT 14 Odd Block	SEPT 15 LATE START Even Block	SEPT 16 Odd Block
SEPT 19 Odd Block	SEPT 20 Even Block	SEPT 21 Odd Block	SEPT 22 LATE START Even Block	SEPT 23 Traditional Schedule Homecoming Parade
SEPT 26 Traditional Schedule	SEPT 27 Even Block	SEPT 28 Odd Block	SEPT 29 LATE START Even Block	SEPT 30 Odd Block
OCT 3 Traditional Schedule	OCT 4 Faculty Meeting 7:00am or 2:55pm Even Block	OCT 5 Odd Block PTSA Meeting 7:00pm - Library	OCT 6 LATE START Even Block	OCT 7 Odd Block
OCT 10 Traditional Schedule Future Focus Fiesta	OCT 11 Odd Block	OCT 12 National Testing Day Early Dismissal	OCT 13 LATE START Even Block	OCT 14 Teacher Work Day No School
OCT 17 Odd Block	OCT 18 Even Block	OCT 19 Odd Block	OCT 20 LATE START Even Block	OCT 21 NO SCHOOL Parent Teacher Conferences



## > SHAWNEE MISSION TEACHER OF THE YEAR PROCESS FALL 2022



### IT'S TIME FOR NOMINATIONS

We encourage students, teachers, parents, and community members to nominate deserving teachers in Shawnee Mission School District.

### CRITERIA

To be eligible to be the SMSD Teacher of the Year, teachers must meet the following criteria:

- Completed at least 3 years in SMSD
- Completed at least 5 years in the profession
- Currently serve as a teacher (i.e. must have a roster of students)

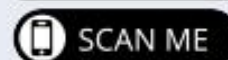
*That's it!*

### NOMINATION LINK

Please use this form to nominate a deserving teacher for SMSD Teacher of the Year!

[bit.ly/SMTOY22](https://bit.ly/SMTOY22)

[bit.ly/SMTOYESP22](https://bit.ly/SMTOYESP22) (Spanish)



## NEW INFORMATION

**September 2 Professional Learning: Ed Camp Topic Suggestions:** We are planning an Ed Camp for September 2nd, and the theme is 90-minute engagement. Please take a moment to fill out the following Google Form **before Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>** to suggest a topic or volunteer to facilitate a session:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdp3dgvWFE\\_OPatCCRVLF3yB96SSSPtCXRxSMaN7kywdJwuVg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdp3dgvWFE_OPatCCRVLF3yB96SSSPtCXRxSMaN7kywdJwuVg/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**Coronavirus or COVID-19 Information:** The Shawnee Mission School District continues to work collaboratively with the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) in the response and management of all communicable diseases. We are not the public health experts, so we rely on their public health expertise for guidance and direction. The previous mitigation procedures that the district has had in place for the management of COVID-19 expired at the end of June. We have always had plans in place related to communicable diseases, following state statutes (specifically K.S.A. 65-118 and K.S.A. 65-122). Our experience with COVID-19 has made those plans more explicit and visible. We will continue to have the following processes in place:

- We will promote vaccination among students and staff
- We will support students and staff that choose to wear a mask
- We will exclude persons with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 infection for five days. The individual must be symptom free to return
- We will recommend that persons with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 infection who return on day six wear a mask through day 10
- As is the procedure with all infectious diseases, we will work with JCDHE regarding potential mitigation measures related to the spread of COVID-19 and any other infectious diseases
- Enhanced air filtration continues to be a priority to ensure an optimal learning environment. The nurses' offices will continue to maintain HEPA Air Scrubbers.

Community-based testing may be located at the following

link: <https://www.jocogov.org/schedule-covid-19-test>

# REPEATED INFORMATION

## **Parent Contact Log:** [2022-23 Parent Contact Log](#)

- Tuesday, November 22, 2022
- Friday, April 7 , 2023
- *7.5 hours will need to be logged prior to 11/22/22. (Any time over 7.5 hours will be applied to the April flex date time requirement). 15 hours will need to be logged prior to 4/7/23.*

## **Teacher Facilitated Professional Learning Log:** [2022-23 Professional Learning Log](#)

- Monday, November 21, 2022
- Friday, May 26, 2023
- *7.5 hours (450 minutes) prior to 11/21/22. 15 hours (900 minutes) prior to 5/26/23.*

**Canvas Instructions:** Click the link here to access instructions on how to set up your course in Canvas: [Beginning of the Semester Canvas Set-Up](#). This is Modeled after [Canvas' checklist](#), tweaked to include SMSD specific information and step-by-step instructions. Contact Taylor Smith with questions and she will help!

**Kansas Teacher of The Year:** [KTOY Nomination Form](#) Nominations are due Tuesday, September 6.

**Frontline / My Learning Plan:** If you attended the PLC institute or any other professional development this summer, please remember to log those hours on Frontline. Here is a video of how to do a historical document (my example is using this summer's PLC institute, 16.5 hours):

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Q8heottMFE-Kz9HCwQ86dltTK0J0IU/view?usp=sharing>

If you are renewing this year, please connect with your PDC reps: Julie Fales or Andrea Dale to help make sure you are comfortable with the process and answer any questions about that as well.

**SMSD Work Day Calendars 2022-23:** Updated employee calendars for 2022-23 have been posted:

<https://www.smsd.org/human-resources/work-day-calendars>.

**SMSD Recruit Team Application:** The SMSD Recruit Team is a diverse district level team representing certified staff members at the elementary and secondary level. The 30-member team represents teachers in all stages of their career years 1-3, 4-10, and 11 years+. SMSD Recruit focuses on recruiting new team members, developing HR interview/recruitment tools, and intentional work in supporting retention. The team meets at the Center for Academic Achievement four times a year from 4:00-5:00 PM with an hourly pay rate. Additional time is volunteered to connect with new team members and support them in their first year on #Team512. This application is to help our Human Resources department identify potential SMSD Recruit team members that represent our district and the students we serve. SMSD Recruit Team is a two-year commitment with team members rotating to allow for new colleagues to be involved. If you are interested in being a committed member of this team, next steps are listed below.

1. Complete google form application by Monday, August 15.  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf2idT7Bq3yjfW4eIrinugS9ynL3h9zT9xfG4ZdafbYpEXsBQ/viwwform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf2idT7Bq3yjfW4eIrinugS9ynL3h9zT9xfG4ZdafbYpEXsBQ/viwwform?edit_requested=true)
2. Review of applications August 16-18.
3. Principal references completed by August 18. Form sent from HR department.
4. Selection communicated the week of August 23.
5. PLAN AHEAD - FIRST MEETING - **Thursday, September 1 at 4:00-5:00 PM at the CAA.**

**SMSD 2022-23 Personal Non-Use Calendar:** [SMSD Block-out Dates 2022-23](#) The PNA contains language that dictates these block-out dates. The PNA also contains language regarding situations when personal leave may be available during the block-out dates. Per the PNA, paid personal leave may be available during block-out dates for the following:

- to attend a high school graduation ceremony of an employee's child or stepchild,
- to attend a college graduation ceremony of an employee, an employee's spouse, child, or stepchild,
- to attend a military ceremony of an employee's spouse, child, or stepchild,
- for appearance in a court of law as a litigant when sincere but unsuccessful efforts have been made to reschedule an appearance,
- observance of a religious holiday,
- to attend the wedding of an employee's child, step-child, parent, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, or the same relative of the employee's spouse, or
- If authorized by the Superintendent or their designee based on extenuating circumstances related to (1)-(6).

# SM South Athletics & Activities Calendar August 22-27, 2022

Access all SM South athletics and activity event calendar with real-time updates at [www.sunflowerleague.org](http://www.sunflowerleague.org)

## Monday, August 22, 2022 – Traditional 7- Period Schedule

6:00pm	<a href="#">College Now / AP</a>	Auditorium
7:00pm	<a href="#">Back-to-School Night</a>	Shawnee Mission South

## Tuesday, August 23, 2022 – BLOCKS 2 – Seminar – 4 – 6

5:00-8:00pm	<a href="#">Debate</a>	Library
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## Wednesday, August 24, 2022 –BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

7:00pm	<a href="#">PAC Evening</a>	Auditorium
<i>Parents – Athletes - Coaches</i>		

## Thursday, August 25, 2022 – BLOCKS 2 – Seminar – 4 – 6 (no late start)

## Friday, August 26, 2022 –BLOCKS 1-3-5-7

TBD	<a href="#">Football: Varsity Jamboree</a>	vs. Blue Valley West @ Blue Valley West
5:00pm	<a href="#">Soccer: Boys JV Game</a>	vs. SMNW @ <a href="#">Shawnee Mission Soccer Complex</a>
7:00pm	<a href="#">Soccer: Boys Varsity Game</a>	vs. Shawnee Mission-Northwest @ <a href="#">Shawnee Mission Soccer Complex</a>
8:00pm	<a href="#">Cross Country: JV Time Trial</a>	@ <a href="#">Shawnee Mission South High School Stadium</a>
8:30pm	<a href="#">Cross Country: C Team Time Trial</a>	@ <a href="#">Shawnee Mission South High School Stadium</a>
8:30pm	<a href="#">Cross Country: Varsity Time Trial</a>	@ <a href="#">Shawnee Mission South High School Stadium</a>

## Saturday, August 27, 2022

10:00am	<a href="#">Soccer: Boys C Team Game</a>
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