

# TigerTimes

Sherrard Jr/Sr High Newsletter

**June, 2020**

Tim Wernentin, High School Principal  
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**August 2**

Graduation - 2p

**August 10**

Fall sports begin \*

**August 12**

First day of school \*

**August 20**

Early dismissal - 1p

**August 21**

Early dismissal - 1p

\*Pending further info from Governor

## Principal's Notes

As we begin our summer break, I want to take a minute to congratulate our graduating class of 2020! Certainly resiliency, perseverance, and disappointment are a few words that come to mind when trying to describe how this senior group faced the finish of their last semester at SHS. The loss of all spring sports and activities and the delay with Prom (which we are still trying to determine logistics) and graduation caused all of us some anxiety and sadness. To their credit - as well as the staff's - they were able to complete their senior year via remote learning. Most chose to finish their academics through the end of their courses and saw great academic success. Their school experience will culminate with graduation on August 2, with the format yet to be determined. Speeches from Senior Class President Lauren McMillin and selected speaker Grace Hoffpauir will highlight the festivities.

Thank you to our parents/guardians as they became de facto home school teachers and assisted our students to complete the term. Too, our staff did a fantastic job creating remote lessons and kept students academically engaged to the end. If by chance your student earned an "Incomplete," he/she will have until June 12 to finish assignments and academic activities to move into the "Pass" category and earn credit for the class. Students still earning an "Incomplete" at the end of the extended summer session will be addressed in the fall.

While the fall brings many unanswered questions in regards to what school will look like - at least as of this writing - we are making preparations this summer to proceed academically in some fashion. Your continued patience is greatly appreciated as we wait to receive word from the governor on the guidelines we will need to follow. Once we have more information, we will communicate with you.

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I continue to feel blessed to serve as your principal of Sherrard High School. Knowing we have hard-working and thoughtful students, a dedicated staff, and supportive parents, great things will continue to occur at SHS. Through a partnership of staff, families, and community members, our students will be thoroughly prepared for whatever lies beyond their four years at Sherrard. It is only through regular communication, thoughtful dialogue, and shared decision-making that will increase student achievement, build professional relationships, and continue preparing successful graduates. I look forward to continuing this endeavor with all of you.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns please contact me [wernentint@sherrard.us](mailto:wernentint@sherrard.us). Again, thank you for a successful 2019-20 school year and I wish you all a safe and healthy summer break!

Yours in education,  
Tim Wernentin, Principal

## JH Principal's Notes

Parents and Guardians,

I want to thank all of the parents and guardians for all their help in Remote Learning (RL). Without your guidance and cues, most students would not have been successful. This entire process of RL was new to a lot of us. Many students were able to thrive during RL. Some students needed more guidance and passed their classes. Some students were not able to complete the work in this format. The Remote Learning Team will be meeting this summer to develop strategies to help with at-risk RL learners.

The JH students are able to keep the Chromebooks over the summer. Those students with an "INC" grade may complete the work over the summer. If it completed properly, please let your child know to "save" the assignment on the Chromebook and turn it in on the first day of classes in Aug. Hopefully, in August, we will be able to return to face to face classes. I have my fingers crossed:)

Have a safe and healthy summer!

Mr. Basala  
Its great to be a Tiger!



## Sports Physicals

**All students participating in any sport must have a current physical on file before they are allowed to tryout and/or practice.** Summer is a great time to get students physicals so they are ready to go for the next school year, especially if they are playing a FALL sport. Ninth grade physicals may be used for sports physicals. Physicals are active for one calendar year plus 30 days from the date of the physical and may only be signed by a physician licensed to practice medicine, a physician's assistant or an advanced practice nurse. If the physical expires during the middle of a sport season, they will not be allowed to practice or play until a new physical is received. The IHSA sport physical form can be picked up in the office or the high school website. Please contact the athletic office or school nurse if you have any questions.

## Tiger Closet

We want to continue to thank everyone for their continuous support of Tiger Closet. During the summer, we will continue to have curbside pick up and delivery from 3-6 on Tuesday, June 9th, Tuesday, June 23rd, Tuesday, July 14th, Tuesday, July 28th, and Tuesday August 11th. If you would like to have a box available or to have a delivery, please contact Amanda Fritch at [fritch@sherrard.us](mailto:fritch@sherrard.us).

## *From the Guidance Office*

**Attention Seniors:** If you wish to have your final transcript sent to a college, university, trade school, etc., please complete the Google Form sent by Mrs. Drish. You can find the link on the high school web page under Departments, Academic/Counseling Center.

For any questions contact:

Mrs Drish, Academic Coordinator  
[drishju@sherrard.us](mailto:drishju@sherrard.us)\*, 309-593-2175

\*Please note we have two Mrs Drish's so be sure to use "ju" after "drish" in her email.





The Boosters would like to thank everyone for their continued support this year. We appreciate all who bought a booster membership, participated in our golf outing, the parents who worked in the concession stand, those who made spirit wear purchases, and all who helped out when we needed the extra help. This helped

the Booster Club raise money that we could turn around and donate to various activities.

This year the Boosters have given to the following programs::

- Sports Advertisements
- High School Girls Basketball Program
- High School Boys Basketball Program
- Operation Santa
- High School Wrestling Program
- Apparel donations
- Freshman orientation
- Athletic Trainer
- Booster Scholarships
- Athletic Senior Night flowers
- Post Prom
- Freshman senate
- High School Volleyball
- High School Baseball
- High School Softball
- High School PE Department
- Shop with a Cop
- Stem Club
- Equipment for the concession stands
- Math Department
- National Honors Society
- Athletic Department

Total donations given equal 45,202.00



## NINTH GRADE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS for SCHOOL YEAR 20-21

- All ninth grade students are required to have an updated school physical.
- State law requires Illinois Department of Public Health form to be used.
- Physical forms are available at the school and on the school district web site [www.sherrard.us](http://www.sherrard.us), go to Departments and select **Health Services, Health Forms and Student Physical Form.**
- Physicals must be completed and signed by a physician licensed to practice medicine, a physician's assistant, or an advanced practice nurse. **Chiropractors MAY NOT perform school or sports physicals.**
- Parents or guardians are required by state law to complete and sign the health history portion on the back of the physical form.
- **Sports physicals will not fulfill this requirement.** The ninth grade physical may be used for a sport physical for 395 days from the date of the exam. Students who receive freshman physicals March 1, 2020 will need another sports physical by April 1 of 2021, if they desire to participate in spring sports. Please keep this in mind when scheduling your child's physical.
- Call for vaccine and physical appointments prior to end of this school year.
- A copy of your child's immunization record may be required by the health care provider.
- **STUDENTS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH PHYSICAL AND IMMUNIZATIONS WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM SCHOOL PER STATE REQUIREMENTS.**
- **NEW REQUIREMENT:** All 9th grade students must have a current dental exam dated after 11/15/19 or waiver completed by May 15, 2021. Forms are available on the district web site under Health Forms.

**\*\*\*NOTE: Covid-19 has impacted everyone. The State of Illinois has not provided any guidance regarding change in due dates for health requirements for next school year at this time.**



## Immunization Requirement for 12th Grade

The State of Illinois requires all students entering the 12th grade for the 2020-2021 school year provide proof of having received the meningitis vaccine (also known as Menveo, Menactra) on or after their 16th birthday.

NOTE: THIS IS NOT THE MENINGITIS B VACCINE (also known as Trumenba, Bexsero)

Students will be excluded from school according to Illinois School Code if they do not provide proof of the vaccine.

Students may receive their immunization from their health care provider. Vaccines are also available at Mercer County Health Department in Aledo 582-3762, Rock Island County Health Department in Rock Island 793-1955, School Health Link in Rock Island 732-0958 and Walgreens. You will need to make an appointment and inquire about insurance and cost.

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## Join the Booster Club!

Boosters need your help!

- We have 4 members leaving at the end of this year.
- Our board will be down to 15 members out of 25.
- In order to provide the support that we do to our students we need new people to join and help fill the vacant spots.
- For those interested in what being a board member entails please see the attached sheet.





## **Sherrard Booster Club Information Sheet**

All Parents/Guardians are asked to:

- Join the Sherrard Booster Club Facebook Group to become informed
- Work assigned concession stand duty (or arrange for substitution)
- Support and promote booster fundraisers
  - Clothing Sales
  - Concessions
  - Fundraisers
  - Tiger Tip Off Tournaments

Booster Club Members: (In addition to the above)

- Fill out membership form and pay a small membership fee
  - See membership form for a list of items and events that the booster club supports. That list is made possible by fundraisers and membership fees.
- Receive periodic emails with announcements
- Help during special events as needed and available
- Receive an auto sticker showing support for the booster club
- 2 years of paid membership makes son/daughter eligible to apply for scholarship senior year

**Booster Club Board Members: (In addition to the above)**

- Attend monthly meetings
- Make funding decisions for the requests made by students, teachers, and coaches
- Facilitate and plan fundraisers
- Open and close concession stand during home events
  - Each board member is responsible for 2 sports
- Receive a discount on clothing purchases

We invite you to attend a board meeting to find out more about the Booster Club. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month in the High School Library. Any changes in that schedule will be posted on our facebook group. If you have any questions about the Booster Club, please ask. You can always find a board member in or around the concession stand during home games.