

# TigerTimes

Sherrard Jr/Sr High Newsletter

## November 1

JH/HS Band Concert - 2p @ HS

## November 3

No School

## November 16

Winter sports start

## November 17

ASVAB Test

## November 21

Winter sports pictures

## November 25-27

Thanksgiving - no school

**November, 2020**

Tim Wernentin, High School Principal  
Rick Basala, Jr. High Principal

## Principal's Notes

Welcome to November! I want to congratulate two of our fall sports teams! The boys golf team are sectional champions!!! Way to go Coach Williams and all of the golfers: Brennan Welch, Landen Ernat, Austin Fratzke, Blake Wynn, Clayton Matkovic, and Evan Earl. Also, the boys cross country team coached by Mr. Lopez and Mr. Hanke won their regional championship! Though Jacob Belha's first place finish was spectacular, it was a true team effort as Dayton Hauger, Mike Gorey, Alex Wilson, Adam Brimeyer, Jordan Maynard, Ryder Roelf, and Noah Bradarich all contributed to the championship! As of this writing, they have not competed in their sectional meet, which will be held October 31.

Specific information on how and when winter sports will be conducted will be determined after the IHSA updates all schools. More information will be provided as it is available.

We continue to appreciate your support as we navigate through the many COVID protocols required. Your reminders to students on utilizing social distancing and proper wearing of masks will assist us as we address the state's requirements.

If you have any questions about your student's first quarter report card, please do not hesitate in contacting his/her teacher via email (last name and first initial @sherrard.us) or the Guidance Office 309-593-2175. Also, just a reminder that quarter grades are cumulative for the semester, meaning they are just progress reports of where your student currently stands academically. We want to answer any questions or concerns you might have.

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High School 309.593.2175  
Jr. High 309.593.2135

### Stay informed!

Daily high school announcements will be posted on the Sherrard High School website. Please visit the website daily for information about all things happening at the high school. The link below will take you directly to the announcements: <https://www.sherrardtigersvt.com/morning-announcements.html>

You may also want to connect to our District social media accounts.

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/sherrardschooldistrict> -

Facebook ID is "Sherrard School District"

Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/sherrardschooldistrict/> -

Handle is SherrardSchoolDistrict

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/home> -

Handle is @SherrardSchools



A reminder we have no school on Tuesday, November 3 and Wednesday, November 25. While we do not encourage midyear schedule changes, we understand occasionally it is necessary to do so. In order to consider any request for a semester schedule change, please contact your student's counselor asap.

Enjoy your upcoming Thanksgiving Break..... as always, if you have any need to contact me, please do so at [wernentint@sherrard.us](mailto:wernentint@sherrard.us).

Educationally yours,  
Tim Wernentin, Principal

### JH Principal's Notes

Parents and Guardians,

The unconventional year has started off well. The students are doing a great job following classroom rules as well as social distancing expectations. There has only been a minimal amount of behavior referrals issued to the students. Ms. Anderson's 5th-hour class won the October Tiger Buck challenge! Great work! JH Students receive Tiger Bucks for great behavior:)

There are a couple of logistic reminders during this pandemic.

All JH REMOTE students need to sign in on their student portal for every class, including study hall, before joining in the Google Meet on Google Classroom. The student can be marked absent from virtual participation by the portal system if the student does not sign in for their class time, or if the teacher does not mark the student as participating. This includes students that are temporary remote learning due to pandemic reasons. These absences count toward state reporting. Only your child's teacher can verify participation in remote learning.

Remote Learning families:

If you have a student who is remote learning, please be sure to call the office if your student is going to miss any part of the school day during remote learning time. This includes any students who have been assigned to temporary remote learning by the school due to pandemic reasons.

### In-Person Learning families:

No visitors, including parents, are allowed in the HS/JH buildings. If you need to drop off an item for your student, please have it labeled with the student's name, buzz at the security door to let us know you are here to drop it off, and then leave it on the bench or table in the entryway.

If your student is getting picked up during the school day, please notify the office in advance. They will get a pass to watch for a parent/guardian at the entrance and come out to meet you when you arrive. If your student is arriving at school later during the school day, please notify the office in advance and you may drop them off at the entrance. The office will check them in and collect a doctor's note if they were at an appointment.

Please remember to bring masks and water bottles.

Thanks, everyone!

Thank you,  
Rick Basala, JH Principal

## JR/SR High Yearbook Update

When we receive 2019-2020 yearbooks, we will do an all call and make announcements at school on how yearbooks will be distributed.

This year, we are looking for anyone to submit photos of any fall activities or remote learning experiences from families and staff members for junior or senior high students. This can include photos of students with projects, doing school activities, athletic events, school organization meetings, school events, etc. Please use the Replay It Link below for uploading pictures. If you have difficulties with Replay It, you can email photos to [blackwells@sherrard.us](mailto:blackwells@sherrard.us) or [slowotherd@sherrard.us](mailto:slowotherd@sherrard.us)

Please help us by submitting photos!

HIGH SCHOOL - <https://images.jostens.com/415823950>

JUNIOR HIGH - <https://images.jostens.com/415823951>



## Student of the Month

### HIGH SCHOOL

**English:** Addison Wallarab

**Math:** Tatum Randolph

**Science:** Ava Bollinger

**Social Studies:** Charlotte Frere

**Fine Arts:** Kate Brown

**PE/Health:** Jonathan Madrigal-Gunzan

**Vocational:** Kali Cameron

**Special Forces:** Daniel Breitenstein

**Business:** Jack Hatlestad

**Rotary Student of the Month:**  
Kate Brown

### JUNIOR HIGH

**English:** Michaela Brown

**Math:** Kiley Williams

**Science:** Keagan Wulf

**Social Studies:** Michaela Brown

**Fine Arts:** Alli Nielsen

**PE/Health:** Alyssa Layer

**Vocational:** Kelsey Doonan

**Striving for Excellence:**

Violet Meskan



## All School Senate

This year the All School Senate has planned a fundraiser for Operation Santa. We will be selling yard signs for sports teams, clubs, activities, and all Tiger Fans! The money we raise will go directly back into our district by providing families with a happy holiday season! You can order your sign today through the Quality Group in Milan, using the following link:

[https://www.qualitygroupprinting.com/index.cfm/page/ptype=product/product\\_id=4155/category\\_id=549/mode=prod/prd4155.htm](https://www.qualitygroupprinting.com/index.cfm/page/ptype=product/product_id=4155/category_id=549/mode=prod/prd4155.htm)



The store will close on Sunday, 11/15. If you have any questions please contact Vanessa Schulenberg at [schulenbergv@sherrard.us](mailto:schulenbergv@sherrard.us).

### Homecoming 2020-21!

**Homecoming week:** Sunday January 10th-Saturday January 16th

**Theme:** High School Musical "We're All In This Together"

**Opponent:** Riverdale Rams

**Parade: SATURDAY**, January 16th at 10:00am, all entries are due Friday, January 8th. Please email entries to [Schulenbergv@sherrard.us](mailto:Schulenbergv@sherrard.us). Entries may also be mailed to Vanessa Schulenberg, 4701 176th Ave. Sherrard, IL 61281.

**Game:** Friday, January 15th (boys basketball game)

**Dance:** Saturday, January 16th from 7:00-10:00

### Homecoming T-Shirt Design Contest

We're all in this together and we want you to take part in creating the artwork for our Homecoming t-shirts. The contest is open to any Sherrard student, 9th through 12th grade. Both computer generated and hand-drawn designs will be accepted. Entries must be submitted to Mrs. Zippe in room B14 by Friday, November 13th. The winning designer will receive a free Homecoming t-shirt!

Each submission must meet the following requirements:

- Entry must include Sherrard 2021 Homecoming "We're All in This Together"
- Entry must be on 8 1/2" x 11" white paper with a 1" border on all sides
- Hand-drawn designs must be outlined in black pen or marker
- Lettering stencils may be used
- Computer designs are allowed, but NO downloading, copying or pasting will be accepted
- Entry must be school appropriate
- One entry per student
- Include your name and grade on the entry's lower right-hand corner

Proceeds from the Homecoming T-shirts are used as a fundraiser for the Freshman Class Senate to help provide activities throughout their four years at Sherrard High School, including prom and graduation. Support your classmates and take part in the contest - don't miss this opportunity to showcase your artwork or influence the next fashion trend!

Any questions, contact Mrs. Zippe at [zippec@sherrard.us](mailto:zippec@sherrard.us). Again, all designs must be submitted by November 13th in order to be in the Homecoming T-shirt Design Competition.



## *From the HS Counseling/Academic Center*

### ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

#### College Visits:

A reminder that Seniors are allowed 2 college visit days as excused absences and Juniors are allowed 1. In the Spring, seniors will be allowed an additional visit on SAT/PSAT testing day.

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Did you know that you can receive daily or weekly notifications from your student's Google Classrooms? As a guardian, you can get email summaries about your student's activity in Classroom. Email summaries do not include grades.

In email summaries, you can review:

Missing work—Work not turned in when the summary was sent.  
Upcoming work—Work that's due today and tomorrow (for daily emails) or that's due in the upcoming week (for weekly emails).  
Class activities—Announcements, assignments, and questions recently posted by teachers.

To get email summaries of your student's work, you must accept an email invitation from a teacher. You can unsubscribe from summaries or remove yourself as a guardian at any time.

Steps to receive notification:

1. The teacher emails you an invitation to join your student's class.
2. In your email program, open your email invitation and accept.

In addition, the parent portal on Infinite Campus is a great tool to monitor grades and assignments. If you do not have a parent portal, or cannot gain access to yours, please contact Jen Thurman to get it set up. [thurmanj@sherrard.us](mailto:thurmanj@sherrard.us)

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Is your student struggling with any classes? If so, Sherrard High School offers *After School Study Hall*.

When: Every Tuesday and Thursday

Time: After school until 5pm (activity bus available for transportation home)

\*Teachers supervise to provide support if needed





### Tiger Closet

Each month the Tiger Closet is going to focus on collecting different items that are in need, for the month of October we are collecting paper products. If you are interested in donating items to the Tiger Closet please drop your items off in the main office between regular business hours, 7:00am-3:00pm.

Items in need:

- Wrapping paper
- Gift bags
- Gift tags
- Tissue paper
- Boxes to wrap items in
- Gift set
- Stocking stuffers for all ages

If you have any questions you can contact Vanessa Schulenberg at [schulenbergv@sherrard.us](mailto:schulenbergv@sherrard.us) or Amanda Fritch at [fritch@sherrard.us](mailto:fritch@sherrard.us). We appreciate the outpouring of support our community has shown the Tiger Closet over the last two years, this could not be done without everyone's generosity and support.



### Senior Parents:

**FAFSA:** The FAFSA opened on October 1st. Starting this school year, to receive a diploma, a student must complete the FAFSA or submit the FAFSA Nonparticipation Form. Mrs Drish will provide more information about the Nonparticipation Form later in the school year. Please see the [Academic/Counseling website](#) for helpful FAFSA videos. Your students have also received a ton of information through their Senior Google Classroom. If you would like a one on one appointment with the ISAC representative to help with FAFSA completion, contact Mrs Drish. FAFSA workshops are also available. Click [HERE](#) for a list of dates and registration information.

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### SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL INFORMATION:

We will continue to counsel students both socially/emotionally and academically. Students and parents can reach out via email if they have any questions or concerns. Meetings can be held in person, or via Zoom, Google Meet, etc.

[blackwells@sherrard.us](mailto:blackwells@sherrard.us)  
[drishju@sherrard.us](mailto:drishju@sherrard.us)

As we head towards winter, still dealing with the pandemic, it's more important than ever to keep an eye out for signs of depression, especially in teenagers. With so many things important to teenagers disrupted — school, seeing friends, sports, and other activities that shape identity — many kids are struggling, even those without a history of depression or anxiety. Please read the article [Signs of Depression](#) if you have any concerns.

With a mix of students in school and at home, we feel it is important to expand our reach to students that may be struggling. Every other week students complete an online emotional check-in form. The emotional check-in is a safe place for students to share their emotions and a quick way for the counseling staff to assess mental health needs. After completing the emotional check-in, the counseling staff will complete individual check-ins with students that were in the struggling categories. For remote learners, the counseling staff will offer a zoom meeting or phone call to discuss their feelings.

Jesse Hamerlinck from the Mercer County Mental Health Action Program is also providing support services to students and families through case management. She is located in the HS counseling office on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The Mental Health Action Program works to address students' social emotional wellness, provide resources and referrals for mental health and wellness services, and eliminate barriers to care. The action program may also assist with other social determinants of health such as food insecurity, housing, and financial issues. Jesse can be reached by email at [hamerlinckje@sherrard.us](mailto:hamerlinckje@sherrard.us) or by phone at 593-2175.

For any questions contact:

Mrs Drish  
Academic Coordinator  
[drishju@sherrard.us](mailto:drishju@sherrard.us)

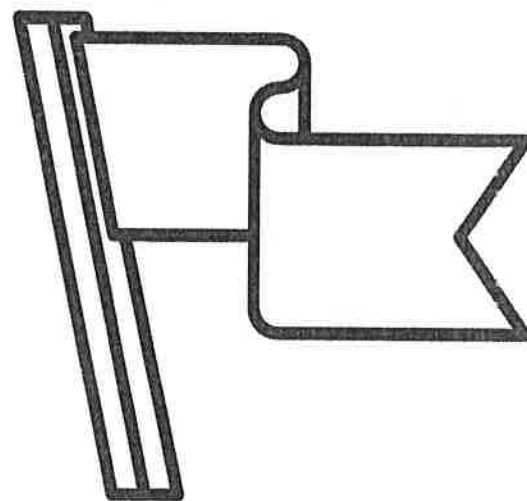




# RED FLAGS FOR PARENTS

Are you putting too much pressure on your child during the college admissions process?

Intense achievement pressure is generating high levels of stress and depression in many children, particularly in affluent communities. As parents, we need to be mindful of how we contribute to this pressure. Here are some questions to ask yourself. Put a check next to each question you answer "YES" to.



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| <p><input type="checkbox"/> During dinner conversations, do you talk frequently about your child's grades and college applications, often forgetting to ask your child what he or she finds interesting and fun about school?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> When you meet with or contact your child's teacher, do you ask primarily about grades and test scores?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do grades and test scores tend to crowd out discussions of whether your child seems to be enjoying school, is a good friend to others, and contributes to the classroom?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do you email or call your child's teacher about assignments or grades more than once a month, even when your child is not having any problems (e.g., trouble completing homework, absence due to illness, etc.)?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Does your child sometimes not eat or sleep well because he or she is worried about not performing at a high level in school?</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do you press your child to take certain courses or participate in extracurricular activities in which he or she has little interest, or which are stressful for him or her, for the sake of college applications?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do you encourage your child to do certain community service projects that he or she is not interested in because you think these projects will be helpful for his or her college application?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do you sometimes allow your child to exaggerate or lie about the extent of his or her community service because it will help him or her get into a selective college?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do you ever encourage your child to apply to selective high schools or colleges based on prestige or commercial rankings, such as the U.S. News &amp; World Report ranking, without considering whether the school is a good fit for your child's personality and interests?</p> |
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## RED FLAGS FOR PARENTS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Do you ever see your child's peers as competition in the college application process—for example, telling your child not to let others know where he or she is applying to college because others might apply to the same school and hurt your child's chances of getting into that college? | <input type="checkbox"/> If your child was not accepted at a selective high school or college, would you be embarrassed? Would it affect your self-esteem?                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do you sometimes pressure your child to engage in substantial college preparation while they are on vacation (e.g., intensively studying vocabulary cards or math problems), instead of ensuring he or she has ample time to relax or play?  | <input type="checkbox"/> If your child received a bad grade on a test or assignment, would you feel responsible or like a failure?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Did you or do you plan to hire an SAT/ACT tutor or have your child take an SAT/ACT preparatory course before junior year of high school?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Do you visit and talk about primarily highly selective colleges with your child rather than a wide variety of colleges, including less-selective ones? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> When you visit colleges with your child, do you sometimes ask more questions than your child does on the tour or at the info session?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Do you think frequently about whether your child is performing at a high level or will be accepted at a high-status college?                           |

If you answered “YES” to any of these questions, it may be time to re-evaluate your approach to your child’s education, to take a close look at the messages you may be inadvertently sending your child, and to talk with those you respect and trust about how you might reduce college admission pressure. Learn more about Making Caring Common's *Turning the Tide* Initiative and use our tips for dialing down achievement pressure and raising caring kids.

# HOMECOMING 2020

The \_\_\_\_\_ (organization) will have an entry in the Sherrard High School Homecoming parade on **Saturday, January 16, 2021.**

TYPE ENTRY (float, decorated vehicle, walking group, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE FLOAT IS TO BE BUILT: \_\_\_\_\_

FLOAT THEME OR TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARADE PARTICIPANTS**

1. Each float should not exceed \$150.00 in construction costs. The name of the organization or class must be clearly marked on both sides of the float.
2. The theme for this year's parade is High School Musical, "We're All In This Together". Sherrard's opponent is Riverdale. Their mascot is the Rams and their colors are black and gold.
3. Floats are preferable for the parade, but you may enter a decorated car or truck or a walking ensemble.
4. Float riders must be approved on an individual basis determined by float design and number of riders.
5. Vehicles pulling floats should be driven by licensed drivers who have proof of insurance in their vehicle.
6. Float decorating cannot be done during school hours and should be stopped by 10:00 p.m. Float construction may begin Sunday, January 10, 2021. A class sponsor or other responsible adult must be present at each decorating session.
7. The parade will start from THE OLD HIGH SCHOOL at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 16, 2021. The parade will assemble in the **GRASS FIELD AT THE OLD HIGH SCHOOL at 8:00 a.m. sharp.** The parade will end at the south end of the old school.
8. No items, including candy and gum, may be thrown during the parade. If you plan to pass out items, you may walk along the parade route and hand them to spectators. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT CANDY BE HANDED OUT BY WALKERS ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE AND NOT BE THROWN!
9. After the parade, floats should be returned to where they were constructed for the purpose of dismantling.
10. Immediately following the parade, the "Best of the Classes" dance-off will be held at the high school. Float winners and the 2020 King and Queen will also be announced at this time.

# Event Schedule

11/01/2020 to 11/30/2020

**Sherrard Junior/senior High School** Mike Applegate  
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Sherrard, IL 61281  
School Phone: (309) 593-2175 HS  
593-2135 JH  
Fax: (309) 593-2775  
applegatem@sherrard.us

## Sunday November 01, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
2:00 PM-TBA	* <sub>[+]</sub> Band N N - JH & HS Band Concert	(TBA) - Practice Fields	-

## Monday November 02, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
5:00 PM-TBA	* <sub>[+]</sub> Band N N - RAINDATE - JH & HS Band Concert	(TBA) - Practice Fields	-

## Tuesday November 03, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
TBA-TBA	* School Event N N - No School	(TBA) -	-

## Tuesday November 17, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	* School Event N N - ASVAB Test	(TBA) - Auditorium	-

## Saturday November 21, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
TBA-TBA	* School Event N N - Winter sports pictures - tentative	(TBA) -	-

## Wednesday November 25, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
TBA-TBA	* School Event N N - No School	(TBA) -	-

## Thursday November 26, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
TBA-TBA	* School Event N N - No School	(TBA) -	-

## Friday November 27, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
TBA-TBA	* School Event N N - No School	(TBA) -	-

## Monday November 30, 2020

Time	Activity	Facility	Comments
5:30 PM-TBA	* Basketball G S vs Princeton	(A) - Princeton	-
7:00 PM-TBA	* Basketball G V vs Princeton	(A) - Princeton	-

# November 2020

## Sherrard PreK-12 Menu

### BREAKFAST



**School Information:** Menu Subject to Change  
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.  
Happy Thanksgiving



The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced that they are allowing free meals to students through the end of the 2020-2021 school year. This changes the expiration date from December 31, 2020 to June 30, 2021.



### Monday

Muffin  
½ Cup Fruit  
  
Milk Choice

2

### Tuesday

No School/Election Day

3

### Wednesday

Mini Cinnis  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

4

### Thursday

Cinnabuns  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

5

### Friday

Cereal Bar  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

6

Mini Banana Loaf  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

9

Poptart  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

10

Cereal Bowl  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

11

Fruit Frudel  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

12

Mini Bagel  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

13

Muffin  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

16

Cereal Bowl  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

17

Mini Cinnis  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

18

Cinnabuns  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

19

Cereal Bar  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

20

Mini Banana Loaf  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

23

Poptart  
½ Cup 100% Juice  
Milk Choice

24

No School

25

No School

26

No School

27

Cereal Bowl  
½ Cup Fruit  
Milk Choice

30





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## Sherrard Jr-Sr High Menu

**LUNCH**



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### Monday

Hamburger/Bun  
Potato  
Bug Bites  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

2

### Tuesday

No School

3

### Wednesday

Chicken Nuggets  
Harvest Cheddar Chips  
Celery/Peanut Butter  
Apple  
Milk Choice

4

### Thursday

Walking Tacos  
Tomatoes  
Doritos  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

5

### Friday

Pizza Crunchers  
Baby Carrots  
Scooby Snacks  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

6

Grilled Chicken/Bun  
Cauliflower  
Cool Ranch Chips  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

9

Tenderloin/Bun  
Salad  
Cookies  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

10

Cheeseburger/Bun  
Cheetos  
Broccoli  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

11

Uncrustable  
Cheese Stick  
Chips  
Carrots  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

12

Ribette/Bun  
Potato  
Cookies  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

13

Cheese Dippers  
Marinara Sauce  
Celery/Peanut Butter  
Bug Bites  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

16

Super Nachos  
Scoops  
Salad  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

17

Breaded Chicken/Bun  
Potato  
Scooby Snacks  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

18

Pizza Crunchers  
Salad  
Cookies  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

19

Chicken Nuggets  
BBQ Chips  
Baby Carrots  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

20

Tenderloin/Bun  
Potato  
Cookies  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

23

Cheeseburger/Bun  
Chips  
Salad  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

24

No School

25

No School

26

No School

27

Hamburger/Bun  
Potato  
Bug Bites  
Fruit  
Milk Choice

30

