

TigerTimes

Sherrard Jr/Sr High Newsletter

December, 2020

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

December 3

Remote Learning Day

December 21 - January 1

No School - Winter Break

January 4

No School - Teacher Institute

January 5

School resumes

Principal's Notes

Welcome to December! Your understanding and patience is appreciated as we continue to navigate "all things COVID." We are blessed to have a staff that is committed to working through a number of challenges to educate our students.

As we enter into the last three weeks of first semester, it is critical that open communication occurs between the school, students, and parents/guardians. Should you have any questions about your student's grades, please contact us. Understanding there are unique challenges with remote learning and testing, we will not be giving traditional final exams this semester. There could be unit exams or final projects due, but not a cumulative final.

We will be conducting the "Winter" session of MAP testing in Math and English classes for all students in grades 9-11 upon return from winter break. As you likely know, these scores give us one snapshot of how much a student is progressing. We will have a final testing session in May.

Our annual Operation Santa is still providing needy families with necessary items to enjoy the holiday season. Though we are not able to have our normal winter activities, donations continue to arrive. If you would like any information, either to be a recipient or a donator, please contact Stacey Blackwell at blackwells@sherrard.us.

If your student is planning on returning from remote learning to in-person learning second semester, please call 309-593-2175 by December 11. Students will be returning Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

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High School 309.593.2175
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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.sherrardtigerstv.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



As the holiday season approaches, I want to wish each and everyone in the Sherrard family a very happy holiday!! Together, we will prepare our students for whatever path they choose once they graduate. Enjoy the break everyone!

As always, should you need to contact me, please email me at wernentint@sherrard.us.

Tim Wernentin, HS Principal

JH Principal's Notes

Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have spent quality time with your loved ones over Thanksgiving Break. :)

MAP assessments are just around the corner. They are scheduled for Dec. 8th - Dec. 11th. These math and reading assessments are very important. They indicate your child's growth and targets for learning. Please have your child ready for these tests during their Math and English classes. If you are remote, please contact Ms. Blackwell to set up the session to take the test(s). Thank you.

There were a few positive COVID results at the JH in November. The JH has been and will continue to execute the protocols set by the Illinois Department of Health for exclusion guidance. If your child is in quarantine or listed as a remote student, please make sure they are logging in to their student portal on Infinite Campus to sign in for attendance on each class during the school day class time, including study hall, PE, Band, Art, or any other elective. They should then join the individual teacher's Google Meets during the regular class time. The student is counted absent from remote learning if they are not checking both of those items.

Congratulations to Ms. Slothower's 5th-hour math class for collecting the most "Tiger Bucks" in our last incentive round. They have exhibited many instances of being responsible and respectful. Way to go!

Rick Basala
JH Principal

Pep Club

Attention Tiger Parents-

Do you want to wear a shirt to show how proud you are of your student? Or do you want to purchase a cup, car decal, bag, sweatshirt or a face mask?? For the first time ever, the pep club is selling items to do just that. Each shirt has the graduating year of your student along with your student's name on the back of it. 7th- 12th grade parents have the names on the back. There are shirts (no names of the students though) for the grade school parents too!! You will be able to wear these for years to come!!! The profits made from the shirt will help the Pep Club purchase another tiger fence sign like the one on the football field, but this time we will place this one on the baseball diamonds. There are unique pieces for purchase!

Please check the link out. The store is an online store with great items to choose from.

If you have any questions, please email Tammy Crippen at crippent@sherrard.us

<https://sherrardhspepclub2020.itemorder.com/sale>

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. 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-shirts

Homecoming t-shirts will soon be available to order online. Watch for information and the link to order on the District Facebook page and the High School website.



Student of the Month

HIGH SCHOOL

English: Morgan Crandall

Math: Alyus Johnson

Science: Katelyn Barnhouse

Social Studies: Brenin Krack

Fine Arts: Marshall Warner

PE/Health: Olivia Meskan

Vocational: Kaiden Jones

Special Forces: Ava Hartman

Business: Bodie Gladwin

Rotary Student of the Month:

Kaiden Jones

JUNIOR HIGH

English: Grace Tucker

Math: Illiana Saddoris

Science: Max Serre

Social Studies: Blake Sierens

Fine Arts: Olivia Cushman

PE/Health: Anna Gengler

Vocational:

Service: The JH Office Aides

Striving for Excellence:

David Browning



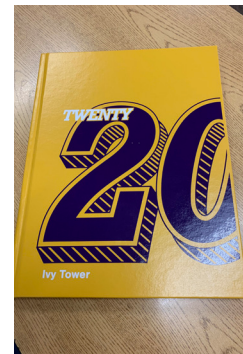
2019-2020 Yearbook Distribution

For those that purchased 2019-2020 yearbooks, we hope to have them handed out by December 4 for in person students during their 1st hour on A-Days.

If you are currently a remote learner, email Mrs. Blackwell when you return.

If you still need to purchase last year's yearbook please contact Dora Slothower slothowerd@sherrard.us or Stacey Blackwell blackwells@sherrard.us.

Junior High yearbooks are \$25 and high school yearbooks are \$60.



2020-2021 JR/SR High Yearbook Update

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 or slothowerd@sherrard.us

Please help us by submitting photos!

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

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

Tiger Closet

Each month the Tiger Closet is going to focus on collecting different items that are in need, for the month of December 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 or Amanda Fritch at fritcha@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.



From the HS Counseling/Academic Center

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Registration is right around the corner! Here is the registration timeline:

To Be Seniors:

Class meeting: January 12th
Registration: January 13th-15th

To Be Juniors:

Class meeting: January 19th
Registration: January 20th-22th

To Be Sophomores:

Class meeting: January 25th
Registration: January 27th-29th

To Be Freshmen:

Class meeting: February 1st
Registration: February 3rd-5th

Be on the lookout for the following dates in **January...**

- Orientation Night for incoming freshmen will be done via video presentation. We will be sending a link to the video sometime in early January.
- Dual Credit Meeting for Juniors and Seniors will be held January 6th at 6pm as a Zoom meeting with Black Hawk College representatives. The link will be shared at a later date.
- Area Career Center tour for Juniors and seniors will likely be a Zoom meeting or video presentation. If your student is interested in ACC classes at UT, they can email Mrs Drish for more information.

Senior Parents:

Reminder that the FAFSA is required by the State of Illinois this year. If you do not want to complete the FAFSA, we will be sending out and collecting a non-participation form in the spring. If your student plans on attending college or a trade school, FAFSA is the form you need to complete in order to access federal grants, loans and work-study funds. FAFSA Website: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa> Don't forget you will need an FSA ID to complete the FAFSA. Here is the website to create your FSA ID: <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm> If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Drish (drishju@sherrard.us)

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.

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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 or by phone at 593-2175.

For any questions contact:

Mrs Drish
Academic Coordinator
drishju@sherrard.us



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Sherrard PreK-12 Menu

BREAKFAST



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

.Have a safe and happy holiday season!



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Monday



Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Muffin
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice **1**

Mini Cinnis
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **2**

Remote Learning Day **3**

Cereal Bar
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **4**

Mini Banana Loaf
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice **7**

Poptart
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **8**

Cereal Bowl
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice **9**

Fruit Frudel
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **10**

Mini Bagel
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice **11**

Muffin
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **14**

Cereal Bowl
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice **15**

Mini Cinnis
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **16**

Cinnabuns
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice **17**

Cereal Bar
½ Cup Fruit
Milk Choice **18**

No School **21**

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No School **30**

No School **31**



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See district website for information.



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Walking Tacos
Nacho Doritos
Fruit
Milk Choice **1**

Chicken Nuggets
Chips
Celery/Peanut Butter
Fruit
Milk Choice **2**

Remote Learning Day **3**

Pizza Crunchers
Harvest Cheddar Chips
Baby Carrots
Fruit
Milk Choice **4**

Grilled Chicken/Bun
Potato
Scooby Snacks
Fruit
Milk Choice **7**

Tenderloin/Bun
Cheeto Puffs
Salad
Fruit
Milk Choice **8**

Cheeseburger/Bun
Cool Ranch Doritos
Cauliflower
Fruit
Milk Choice **9**

Un crustable
Cheese Stick
Baby Carrots
Chocolate Belly Bears
Fruit
Milk Choice **10**

Ribette/Bun
Baked Chips
Broccoli
Fruit
Milk Choice **11**

Chicken Nuggets
Jolly Potato Faces
Elf Grahams
Fruit
Milk Choice **14**

Super Nachos
Salad
Kris Kringle Cookie
Fruit
Milk Choice **15**

Breaded Chicken/Bun
Celery/Peanut Butter
Fruit
Reindeer Power Trail Mix
Milk Choice **16**

Pizza Crunchers
Crunchy Cheetos
Broccoli
Fruit
Santa's Sweet Treat
Milk Choice **17**

Corn Dog
Chips
Reindeer Chow (carrots)
Prancer Pudding
Fruit
Milk Choice **18**

No School **21**

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