

TigerTimes

Sherrard Jr/Sr High Newsletter

December, 2021

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

December 1

Booster Club Meeting - 6p

December 4

Winter Play - 7p

December 5

Winter Play - 3p

December 9

Jr/Sr High Choir Concert - 7p

December 12

Jr/Sr High Band Concert - 3p

December 15

School Board Meeting - 6p

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December 20 - 31

No School - Winter Break

January 3

No School - Teacher institute

January 4

Students return

Athletics / Activities

Get up to date athletic and activities schedules on the Sherrard 8to18 website:

<https://il.8to18.com/sherrardHS>

Principal's Note

Welcome to December! Your understanding and patience is appreciated as we continue to navigate "all things COVID." Your continued help in encouraging proper mask wearing at school is appreciated. We are blessed to have a staff that is committed to working through a number of challenges to educate our students.

A belated congratulations to our girls cross country team as they qualified for the state competition!! Way to go ladies.....Sarah Gibson, Kayla Ann Cresap, Hailie Shemek, Addison Knox, Madison Mathis, Beth Churchill, and Alli Nielsen!! The girls are coached by Joe Lopez and Colton Hanke.

Winter sports and activities are upon us! We encourage you to come out and see your Tigers in action! See the activity calendar for more information.

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 year. 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 on December 16 and 17. **Seniors will not be required to arrive at school until after the testing session.** 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.

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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



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.

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, 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. 6th - Dec. 10th. 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. Thank you.

Good luck to the 7th and 8th grade girls basketball teams and their post season successes. The 7th grade girls are already regional champions.

There were a few positive COVID results in the JH for 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 on exclusion, please make sure they are logging in to their google classroom for each class and emailing all of their teachers. You can find the JH Absence Plan on the district website, under the "Our Schools" tab choose "Sherrard Junior High School".

Student of the Month

HIGH SCHOOL

English: Jenna Szymborski

Math: Chloe Barnes

Science: Kayla Easley

Social Studies: Jackson Knuth

Fine Arts: Logan Smith

PE/Health: Allyson Eckhardt

Vocational:

Hunter Cederstrom

Special Forces: Bailey Nelson

Business: Kyler Gross

Rotary Student of the Month:

Kayla Easley

JUNIOR HIGH

English: Avree Newton

Math: Evelyn Weakley

Science: Addison Lawson

Social Studies: Grace Tucker

PE/Health: Grace Bohnert

Vocational: Anna Churchill

Striving for Excellence:

Brayve Wakeland

Congratulations to Ms. Slothower's 1st 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

Winter Play

The SHS Drama Department presents "The Clock Struck One", a murder mystery play set in an inn during a snow storm. Which of the 8 guests could have done it? Decide for yourself December 4th at 7pm or December 5th at 3pm. Tickets are \$7 for adults, and \$5 for students and sold at the door.

Jr High & HS Band

The Sherrard Jr. High and High School bands will be having their Winter Concert on Sunday, December 12th at 3:00pm in the High School Auditorium.

Sophomore Senate Fundraiser

Sophomore Senate is hosting a Holiday Hangout on December 11th, from 9-11 at Sherrard High School. Families can enjoy holiday bingo, a gingerbread house decorating competition, gift wrapping, and a bake sale with hot cocoa. Please pre-register by Wednesday, December 8th to Amanda Fritch at 309-593-2175 ext. 1132 or fritch@sherrard.us.



Post Prom

SHS Post Prom Parent group is looking for volunteer members. These parent/guardian volunteers of our HS students sell cookies at home events, put on our Bingo fundraiser, have occasional planning meetings and email correspondence, and help with putting on Post Prom for our upperclassmen and their guests.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cindy Steckel at steckelc@sherrard.us or Jen Diehl at diehlj@sherrard.us so you can be put on the email list to get in on the action.



Tiger Closet

At this time we are still not accepting clothing. We have an Amazon wishlist full of items we are in need of. The list allows for the items to be shipped directly to the Tiger Closet at the high school. In addition to our Amazon wishlist we are in need of some items for the Holiday season. If you are interested in making a donation please drop items off to the high school office M-F between 7:30-3:00 pm. Below is a Holiday wishlist.

Stock Stuffers:

- fuzzy socks
- chapstick
- candy
- gum
- hair ties
- portable charger
- gloves
- nail polish
- lotion
- body sprays
- stocking caps
- headphones
- bath bombs
- make up
- beauty blender
- headbands
- water bottles

Wrapping supplies:

- wrapping paper
- tissue paper
- gift bags
- bows
- boxes
- gift tags

[Tiger Closet Wishlist](#)

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

Join the Sherrard Booster Club!

Boosters need your help!

They currently have vacant spots for board members. In order to continue to offer the substantial support they have given our students in our school district and continue to keep the concession stands open at games, they **NEED HELP!** Please consider filling one of these positions.

Their next meeting will be **December 1, at 6pm in the HS Library**. Attend the meeting to check them out!



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 19th

Registration: January 21st, 24th, 25th

To Be Juniors:

Class meeting: January 26th

Registration: January 28th, 31st, Feb 1st

To Be Sophomores:

Class meeting: February 2nd

Registration: February 4th, 7th, 8th

To Be Freshmen:

Class meeting: February 9th

Registration: February 11th, 14th, 15th

Mark your calendar for the following dates in January...

- Orientation Night for incoming freshmen will be **February 10th at 5:30 pm** in the high school auditorium.
- Dual Credit Meeting for Juniors and Seniors will be held **January 10th at 6pm** in the high school auditorium.
- Area Career Center tour at United Township for incoming Juniors will be **January 19th** - more information to follow.

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)

2021-2022 JR/SR High Yearbook

This year, we are looking for anyone to submit photos of any fall activities 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 email photos to blackwells@sherrard.us or slothowerd@sherrard.us

Reminder - Students must be wearing masks for all indoor photos and be 3 feet apart in group photos. The yearbook must follow the Return to Learn Plan found on the District's website. We WILL NOT use photos if the mask is not worn properly or students are too close together.

Please help us by submitting photos!

Thanks!
Stacey Blackwell and
Dora Slothower



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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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.

Mental Health has been negatively impacted during the pandemic. This has caused an increase in anxiety or panic attacks with our student population. Some of the symptoms we might see include - low motivation, feeling tired or burned out, sadness, poor concentration, anger and/or insomnia.

Suggestions for coping may include connecting with others, taking a small break, sticking to a schedule or routine, being kind and focusing on basics like exercise and nutrition.

Please remember the pandemic may have canceled many things, however empathy, caring, thoughtfulness, kindness and humanity have not been canceled. Take care of yourself first in order to take care of others.

DECEMBER 2021

Sherrard PreK-12 Menu

BREAKFAST



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



The USDA has approved free meals for all students for the 2021-2022 school year. All students will be able to eat a tray/sack breakfast and lunch at no charge.

MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Mini Cinnis
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

6

Cereal Bowl
Snack Cookie
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

7

Mini Bagel
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

8

Whole Grain Poptart
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

9

Fruit Frudel
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

10

Muffin
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

13

French Toast Sticks/Syrup
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

14

Egg & Cheese Omelet
Gold Fish
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

15

Pancakes
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

16

Cinnabuns
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

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No School

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Sherrard Jr-Sr High Menu

LUNCH



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THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Popcorn Chicken **1**
Grape Tomatoes - Salad
Applesauce
Cool Ranch Doritos
Milk Choice

Grilled Chicken/Bun **2**
Fries
Pears
Choc/Caramel Chex Mix
Milk Choice

French Toast Sticks/Syrup **3**
Cheese Stick
Green Beans
Pineapple
Bug Bites
Milk Choice

6
Pizza Crunchers
Carrots
Mixed Fruit
Cheddar Ruffles
Milk Choice

7
Chicken Nuggets
Chili Beans
Applesauce
FunYuns
Milk Choice

8
Cheeseburger/Bun
Tator Tots
Peaches
Tiger Grahams
Milk Choice

9
Walking Tacos
Grape Tomatoes
Pineapple
Scooby Snacks
Milk Choice

10
Egg/Cheese English Muffin
Celery
Pears
Sports Grahams
Milk Choice

13
Tiger Rite/Bun
Fries
Peaches
CC Graham Bites
Milk Choice

14
Corn Dog
Carrots
Applesauce
Jolly Sidekick – Lays Chips
Milk Choice

15
Uncrustable
Cheese Stick
Broccoli – Pineapple
Dino Grahams
Milk Choice

16
Breakfast Pizza
Pork N Beans
Pears
Scooby Snacks
Milk Choice

17
Biscuit/Gravy
Cheese Stick
Celery – Apple
Cookie
Milk Choice

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