

Sharon Middle School

SMS Weekly Newsletter - 9.4.2020



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

First Day of School

Wednesday, September 16

7:40am-12:00pm

REMOTE DAY FOR ALL

Textbook pickups for REMOTE STUDENTS ONLY

Sept 8 - 6th grade

Sept 10 - 7th grade

Sept 14 - 8th grade

See info on right

6th Grade Orientation/Tour 9/14 & 9/14

More info to follow.

No Visitors

At this time, no visitors are allowed in the building.

Please email [Karen Wald](mailto:karen.wald@sharon.k12.nj.us) with any questions.

SMS 2020 Summer Reading

[Check out the list!](#)

SMS Summer Math

[Enrichment and Practice for all grades.](#)

Withdrawal from Sharon Public Schools

If your child will not be returning to SMS or is not going to Sharon High School in the fall, please fill out the official [Withdrawal Form](#), and email it back to [Ms. Wald](mailto:Ms.Wald@sharon.k12.nj.us). We cannot remove

REMOTE LEARNING MODEL STUDENTS ONLY -

Textbook Pickup Days

IMPORTANT NOTE:

If your child is doing the hybrid learning model, you do not need to pick up textbooks. Hybrid students will get their books on their first days in school.

Textbook pickup days for **REMOTE ONLY STUDENTS** are scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, Thursday, September 10 and Monday, September 14 - according to the schedule below. Please drive to the bus loop near the gym. Staff will put the books in your car trunk. **Put a sign in your car window with your student's name and grade in LARGE letters.**

TEXTBOOK PICKUP	REMOTE STUDENTS ONLY Last Name A-M	REMOTE STUDENTS ONLY Last Name N-Z
Grade 6 Tuesday Sept. 8	9/8, 8-9am	9/8, 9-10am
Grade 7 Thursday Sept. 10	9/10, 8-9am	9/10, 9-10am
Grade 8 Monday Sept. 14	9/14, 8-9am	9/14, 9-10am

Class Schedules

Schedules will be released on PowerSchool next week. We will send you an email when these are available.

Cohort Days

Hybrid students are being divided into cohorts this year. There are two cohorts - **Cohort A** is students with the last names **A-M**; they will attend school in person on Monday and Tuesday. **Cohort B** is students with the last names **N-Z**; they will attend in person on Thursdays and Fridays. All students will learn remotely on Wednesdays, including on

your child from the schools and forward records to the new school if we do not receive a Withdrawal Form. Chromebooks, textbooks and library books must be returned to school as soon as possible.

FROM THE SMS HEALTH OFFICE - Incoming 7th Graders - IMPORTANT
All 7th graders need to have a current physical on file with our Health Office. The physical needs to be dated after August 2019. The paperwork, including immunization records, can be emailed to Nurse Nathan at mnathan@sharonschools.net or faxed to her at 781-793-5139.

SMS Library
Please visit the [Library Webpage](#) for access to ebooks, audiobooks, podcasts, and more.

the first day of school, September 16. All Wednesdays will be early release days. Please understand there will be several exceptions to the alpha rule. We will need to balance groups.

Welcome to the New Staff at SMS!

Dr. Jennifer Brigham (7th grade Science)
Ms. Katherine Camara (7th grade Social Studies)
Ms. Lisa Capoccia (School Adjustment Counselor)
Dr. Cathy Collins (Technology)
Ms. Maggie Driscoll (6th grade Math)
Mr. Matthew Holzman (8th grade Math)
Ms. Hayley Nevers (7th grade English)
Ms. Alpana Patole (French)
Ms. Victoria Ruzzo (6th grade SPED)
Mr. Daniel Santangelo (Instructional Assistant)
Ms. Brianna Stern (Gym & Wellness)
Ms. Lindsey Stork (TBL)
Mr. Paul Valley (Instructional Assistant)

Updating Your Information in PowerSchool

New phone number or work contact info? New emergency contacts? Now is the time to update all your records.

You should have received an email last week to update your information in PowerSchool. The email included an individual code that you need to use to access the system. If you didn't receive your code, please email psquestions@sharonschools.net. **If your child has already been in Sharon Public Schools, you just need to *update* this info - you do not need to register your child again.**

2020-2021 Fall Opening Info

First Day of School September 16, 2020 - Full Remote Day for All

Updated: SMS Reopening Frequently Asked Questions and Answers
Please see the [FAQs and As webpage](#) for answers to the questions we have been receiving. This page will be updated frequently.

For SMS-specific questions/comments, please use our [SMS Reopening Questions and Comments form](#). We will answer as many as we can in our [FAQs and As](#).

For Sharon Public Schools Updates, please visit:



[SPS Fall 2020 Reopening Planning Website](#)

- [Local Resources and Support](#)
- [Sharon Public Schools Counseling Staff 2020-2021](#)

Student Supply Lists

[Click here for the suggested supply lists for students in all grades.](#)

6th Grade Orientation

Save the dates and be on the lookout for sign ups.

We are working on plans to offer separate time slots for incoming 6th graders to have a brief tour / orientation. Monday 9/14 and Tuesday 9/15.

SMS Apparel ON SALE NOW

Looking for some SMS swag? Order your t-shirts, sweats, hats, etc now.

Here is the online SMS Apparel form:

<https://forms.gle/17rz8nSZ9bj3V2Wr7>

The following initiative is coordinated and mobilized by Project 351, a nonprofit organization that builds a movement of youth-led service throughout Massachusetts.

We need your help!
HYGIENE PRODUCT DRIVE
in support of **Hope & Comfort**

When: September 11 to
September 18 from 8:00 am
to 6:00 pm

Where: Sharon High School
and Sharon Middle School

to address the
needs of the
Greater Boston
community during
this current
pandemic



Or...

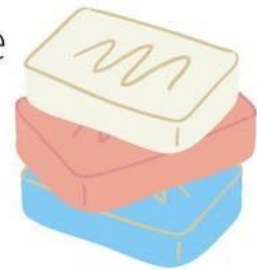
purchase an item off of
the Amazon wishlist
linked below; in-person
and wishlist donations
will both be donated to
Hope & Comfort!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2G8NH5X3T3ZBA?ref=wl_share

What to Bring:

all **NEW** items

- bars of soap
- deodorant
(especially women's)
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- other hygiene
products



Please email mlefkowitz04@comcast.net with any questions

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