



# SEVIER MIDDLE SCHOOL FALCONS

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

2/20	Presidents Day - No School
2/21	Girls Sex Ed in PE begins Falcon Flight Planning 6:30pm
2/22	Sevier Hat Day Box Tops No Collar Day Kona Ice Day
2/23	Beta Club Induction 6:30pm
2/25	8th Gr. Engineer's Day
3/1	8th Gr. Beta Club Mtg 8am
3/2	Student Council Mtg 8sm Chess Club Rising 9th Gr Night @ WHHS
3/3	Enrichment High School Intro with 8th Gr. SIC Mtg. 12:40pm
3/6	GTT Comp. @ USC
3/8	GTT DM field trip
3/8-3/11	8th Gr Washington trip
3/12	Daylight Saving Time
3/14	Orchestra @ Greenville Univ. Spring Sing
3/15	Spring Portraits

## Make-up Days

Greenville County Schools will be in session on **March 16 and 17** to make up school time lost during the Snow Days in January. These are regular school days and all students should be in attendance. Thank you.



**Spring Portraits** will be taken March 15 during wellness for all interested students. There is no makeup date for Spring Pictures and there is no obligation to purchase.

## Message from the Principal:

**Thank you, parents,** for sending such enthusiastic and cooperative learners to school. Sevier is very pleased to share the progress we are making as our ABC Monitoring and Incentive Program posts positive results for the 1st and 2nd quarters of this year.

Our ABC program involves tracking attendance, behavior, and class grades for students. Our teachers encourage, mentor, and support students to ensure that every one reaches success. Our re-take policy, requiring best performance on all major assignments, has supported student investment and achievement, as well.

For 2 quarters now, Sevier students have demonstrated improved class grades and behavior that supports a positive learning environment. At the end of Quarter 2, when compared with the same time last school year, the average number of "A's" per student on quarter grades had increased by 43%, while the average number of "D's" and "F's" was reduced by 33%. The number of disciplinary incidents resulting in in school suspension (ISS) dropped by 32% and the events requiring out of school suspension (OSS) were reduced by 75%. During the same time period, the percentage of our student body with 10 or more absences has remained roughly the same as in 1st Semester, 2015-16.

Each month, Sevier celebrates students for their focus of their studies, their consistent attendance, and respectful and responsible behavior. 98% of our students have enjoyed at least one 30 minute incentive time outside this year.

We thank you for your support and the strong message you give to your own children about the importance of school and their learning. We know that you underpin our success, and we love to work with your children. THANK YOU!

*Karen M. Kapp*

## Falcon Flight Planning A Related Arts Review

**Tuesday, February 21, 6:30-7:15**

**5th, 6th, and 7th Graders & Parents—  
Make informed decisions about  
your middle school experience!**

Review available Related Arts offerings  
before you request classes for 2017-18!

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

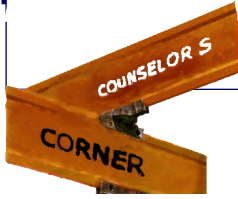
6:30pm Arrival near Cafeteria — Pick up visitation packet  
6:30 - 7:15 pm Visit Related Arts classes

Counselors and Administrators will be available at information tables to answer Questions about course selection and progression through middle school

**Every student attending gets one Falcon Fly Card with 10 signatures.**



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## Congratulations, Principal's Honor Roll Students

**6th Grade:** Camden Aiken, Kaiden Aldebol, Bennett Alexander, Rebekah Anderson, Morgan Babb, Anthony Bennett, Jonah Bishop-Pirrone, Kaitlyn Bliss, Chloe Bowyer, William Brothers, Parker Buff, Abigail Calixto Moreno, Bryson Carter, Delaney Childers, Nolan Childers, Olivia Costello, Keir Dorchon, Joshua Evans, Cecilia Figueroa, Chance Fleming, Madison Freund, Emily Gaines, Haydn Garrett, Paige Geiger, Reagan Glynn, Trent Gould, Kamryn Graham, Peter Gregar, Holli Hall, Evelyn Hannon, Syndey Harrison, Mikhala Herbert, Ann Margaret Hill, Alexander Hoffman, Ethan Hradek, Niklas Jarman, Andrew Keener, William Kirven, Alexander Knapil, Tincer Lal, Mia Leal, Joanna Lee, Loren Long, Ashley Marroquin-Gonzalez, Barak McCants, Adaline McCormack, Harley McKittrick, Isabella Muehleisen, Matthew Nelson, Celtsie Price, Jayden Rainey, Avery Rankin, Lillian Rhodes, Cindy Rivera, Mason Royals, Heather Salazar, Delaney Smith, Nikolai Snizaski, Damian Stallone, Madison Stephens, Olivia Sutton, Trip Terry, Emma Tessman, Austin Thibodeaux, Savannah Thomas, Campbell Thompson, Barron Tiffany, Wesley Tran, James Whiteman, and Sania Williams,

**7th Grade:** Agustin Acevedo, Adrian Alamilla-Vega, Jayden Allen, Jorge Amaya Juado, Willow Baker, Hailey Bergenthal, Bayley Betsill, Emily Braswell, Jamie Brown, Audrey Bryant, Zoe Buddie, Kerri Burgess, Emma Calder, Kathleen Callicutt, Elijah Childres, Johnathan Clemons, Neleah Clough, Andrew Collins, Camille Creps, Kara De La Toba, Travis Dill, Joni Dolson, Ben Doung, Madison Falls, Brenda Gamez, Tessa Haack, Ansley Hall, Paul Hardy, Juliana Harris, Morgan Hayes, Deacon Hege, Anahi Hernandez, Jose Hernandez-Ignacio, Kassandra Hernandez-Zuniga, Alison Hinojosa, Ashley Ho, Danny Ho, Zytaria Hughes, Sydney Kender, Kenli Knox, Abigail Koon, Preston Landolt, Ada Le, William Masters, Dayanara Mayorga, Jonnie McCall, Courtney McClain, Evan McNelly, Kiley Meredith, Hayden Moody, Adelaide Nagy, Andrew Nguyen, Madison Payne, Christy Phan, Warren Power, Lexie Pust, Shikea Reeder, Joshua Reyes, Perla Reyes-Santos, Mariela Rodriguez, Alexis Rude, Karen Sanchez, Delaney Shabel, Evan Shealy, Jaskirat Singh, Taylor Smith, Madison Stover, Zacharia Strange, Kennedy Tillery, Lynnea Vance, Allan Vindas, Jayden Waters, Esdras Williams, Courtney Williams-Duckett, and Sophia Windham.

**8th Grade:** Emma Babetz, Bryn Betenbaugh, Ian Blackburn, Bess Bridwell, Madison Brothers, Leah Chappell, Noa Clark, Gabriel Cleveland, Nicholas Costello, Chloe Crookes, Rebecca Eaves, Mitchell Evans, Kendall Foster, Hannah Hand, Eric Ho, Avona Le, Hang Le, Toph Lewis, Gideon McCants, Lucas McWhorter, Luke Newlin, Olivia Pechin, Noah Sait, Antonio Sanchez-Morales, Clark Sponseller, Davis Sponseller, Parker Stambaugh, Anna Stanton, Nathaniel Steves, Patrick Stone, Macy Storm, Caroline Strinsky, Facundo Vidal, Malaijah Williams, and Hayden Wyatt.



**Beta Club Induction Ceremony** for all NEW students joining the Beta Club will be held Thursday, February 23 at 6:30pm. Students must arrive and go to the media center at 6:00pm. No JEANS or Shorts are to be worn.



**February we are honoring students who show tolerance and patience.** Students who show tolerance and patience respect the individual differences, views, and beliefs of other people. They have the power to wait calmly without complaining.

- ♦ **6th Gr: Cindy Rivera & Seth McClain**
- ♦ **7th Gr: Catherine Rosemond & Jackson Duncan**
- ♦ **8th Gr: Grace Tomlinson & Gabe Cleveland**



**In January we honored students who show diligence and perseverance.** Students who show diligence and perseverance work hard without giving up in a careful and consistent manner.

- ♦ **6th Grade: Chloe Conway & Davis Harvey**
- ♦ **7th Grade: Idalia Lopez & Antonio Kirksey**
- ♦ **8th Grade: Taelor Larence & Bryan Molina-Duran**



The ACE Awards (Advocates for Character and Education) is an annual banquet honoring 70 male and female students in grades 8 and 12 from each of the 35 Greenville County middle and high schools. This award is designed to recognize true "unsung heroes" who all too often are not recognized for their accomplishments. Congratulations to the following students who were nominated: Hannah Woods, Holly Green, Jada Brailsford-Frey, Jennifer Juarez, Brittianne Ballenger, Morgan Thoennes, Hannah Casey, Bess Bridwell, Jayden Young, Joseph Medlock, Shives Rankin, Naytron Lewers, James Richardson, Ziyon Yeargin, Nathan Steves,



**Junior Scholars**

**Congratulations to the following 8th grade students who qualified as PSAT Junior Scholars for 2016-17**

Jada Brailsford-Frey, Bess Bridwell, Noa Clark, Chloe Crookes, Emin Demirkilic, Seth Dorchon, Owen Dover, Mitchell Evans, Kailee Graham, Logan Harrison, Evan Johnson, Noah Johnson, Aaron Labar, Gideon McCants, Hunain Mukri, Noah Saitz, Josiah Shealy, Davis Sponseller, Patrick Stone, Caroline Strinsky, Kayly Tran and Hayden Wyatt.



Jami Crisman, 7th grade School Counselor, 355-8485  
Tomiko Long, 6th grade School Counselor, 355-8377

Darcy Storm, 8th grade School Counselor, 355-8203  
Melinda Howard, Guidance Office Clerk, 355-8204

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**Student registration for the 2017-2018 school year is fast approaching.** Students will be bringing home registration information very soon. Dates for on-line registration are February 21 -February 24<sup>th</sup> for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students and March 13th-15th for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Teachers will recommend students for ELA, Math, Science, and Social

Studies. Students will go to the lab at school and be assisted with selecting electives. Course descriptions can be found on our website February 20<sup>th</sup>. Rising 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive a sheet of high school course electives for choosing their classes. We will print a final copy of each students requests and send them home on April 17th, 2017. This will need to be signed and returned by April 21st, 2017. If you have any questions please feel free to call us at # 355-8204.



**All rising 9th graders planning to attend Wade Hampton High School in 2017-18** are invited to WHHS for an up close look on Thurs-

day, March 2nd, from 6:30-7:30. This is an opportunity for parents and their student to meet the Freshman Academy teachers, talk to coaches, sign-up for clubs and organizations, or just take a tour of WHHS. Opening remarks by Mr. Williams, Principal, and Mr. Foster 9th grade Assistant Principal begin at 6:30 in the auditorium.

## Recognitions



Congratulations to Bess Bridwell who auditioned for Region band and received 2nd chair flute for Region 1.



Congratulations to the following students for making All County Band: Bess Bridwell, Esdras Williams, Chet Kolodziejski, Randall Martin, and Mitchell Evans (1st chair tenor saxophone).



Congratulations to the following students who were accepted into All County Strings: Mason Bailey, Caroline Bryant, Taylor Smith, Mariela Rodriguez, and Kassandra Hernandez-Zuniga.



Congratulations to our Robotics team Circuit Breakers with Gabe Cleveland, Olivia Pechin, Caroline Mathis, Kayly Tran, and Mark Juarez for winning the Design Award at the Competition in Williamston on Saturday, January 28th!



Congratulations to Sevier's District Reflections winners: Zoe Buddie won 2nd Place in Music Composition; Jacob Bishop-Pirrone won 3rd Place in Photography.



Congratulations to Patrick Stone, Sevier Geography Bee winner!



Sevier has the leading e-book circulation numbers for Middle Schools and High Schools in the district for the month of January. Sevier: 330; Lakeview: 243; Tanglewood 233; Sterling School 87; Blue Ridge 53; Berea 49; League 27; and Northwood 27. Our print copy circulation was 1,242.



Congratulations to our Boys Basketball team! They defeated Hughes Academy Saturday, February 11, in the championship game of the playoffs. They are Greenville County Middle School Boys Basketball Champions!





## Band & Strings

- ❖ All County Band clinic will be held February 16-17 at Riverside HS.
- ❖ Region Band clinic will be held February 24-25 at Furman University.
- ❖ Final Carowinds payment for Band, Strings, and Chorus is February 16.
- ❖ 7th Strings and 8th Orchestra will be performing at North Greenville University for the Concert Performance Assessment on March 14. Performance is at 12:10pm.
- ❖ 6th grade band and strings students will be attending a concert at the Peace Center March 24.



Each year, Greenville County Schools participate in a staff donation drive to help the United Way. This year, Sevier is receiving the Excellence Award for meeting the following criteria:

- ◆ \$100 or more per capita giving
- ◆ 1 or more Palmetto Society members

## Flipster MAGAZINES

Sevier Media Center has recently purchased 14 online magazines for students and staff. They are available at school or at home (with a login and password). The program is called *Flipster*. This program provides online access for an unlimited number of users with simultaneous use. Students may receive login information from their teachers or the Media Center.

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