



SEVIER MIDDLE SCHOOL FALCONS

February 2016

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/8 PTA Shirt Day
Job Shadowing forms due
- 2/8 – 2/12 Sex Ed Materials Preview
- 2/9 Lunch & Learn
- 2/10 PTA Board Mtg
- 2/12 8th Gr to Enoree Career Ctr
6th Gr Living History Museum
SIC Mtg 1:00pm
7 & 8 Gr Valentine Mixer
- 2/13 Robotics @ Dutch Fork MS
Fishing Club members @
Lake Greenwood
- 2/14 Valentines Day
- 2/15 Presidents Day—No School
- 2/18 3rd Quarter Progress Reports
Gathering of Falcons
Student Council Mtg 7:45am
Battle of the Brains Comp.
Chess Club
Beta Club Induction 6:30pm
- 2/19 Band/Strings/Chorus final
Carowinds payment due
\$35 Yearbook deadline
- 2/20 Robotics comp. @ JL Mann
- 2/22 Boys Sex Ed. Begins
Falcon Flight Planning 6:30
- 2/24 Box Tops Collections
\$2 Kona Ice
- 2/25 Tdap forms do home
- 2/29 School Beautification Day
- 3/3 Chess Club
- 3/4 5 in 5 Reading logs due
- 3/7 8th Grade Tshirt Day
Girls Sex Ed begins

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Falcon Flight Planning

ATTENTION 5th, 6th, and 7th Graders & Parents

Plan your route to Graduation Plus

Sevier Middle School

February 22, 6:30-7:45pm

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- 6:30 - 6:45 Meet in Cafeteria for Course Registration Overview
- 6:45 - 7:30 Examine Related Arts Course Selections
Enjoy STEAM Exhibits
View Accelerated Core Academic Pathways and
Special Education Service Options
- 7:30 - 7:45 Informal Questions and Answers in the Media Center

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



Recently, Mr. Grady and Mr. Falls met with 7th and 8th students to re-state expectations and encourage success. The topics discussed during the meetings included:

- Laptops must be charged each night and in class every day. They must be closed and carried carefully between classes.
- Students must have their agenda at all times. It helps to keep students organized and it is a student's pass throughout the building.
- Book bags must be stored under the desk during class in order to keep clean and safe walkways.
- ID's must be worn around the neck and showing at all times.
- Leggings can be worn to school ONLY if they are covered by a fingertip length skirt, shorts, or top.
- Heavy winter jackets must be stored in lockers during the school day. Blankets are not allowed at school.
- Cell phones must **be kept in lockers**. These must stay **off and in the specified place** from **arrival at school until the student exits the building** to go home after 3:25. If a cell phone is seen or goes off during class, the teacher will ask the student to place the phone on the teacher's desk until an administrator can arrive to escort the student to their locker so that they may place the phone inside it. A disciplinary consequence will be applied.
- School issued laptops and Chromebooks are for **educational use only**. Repeated off-task use will result in short-term confiscation and/or disciplinary action.

Mr. Grady and Mr. Falls praised the students for a successful and positive 1st Semester and encouraged students to finish strong. A similar meeting will be held with 6th graders in the near future.

Tdap Vaccinations for Rising 7th Graders

Attention Parents of 6th graders : Proof of your child's Tdap vaccination is required before they may enter 7th grade. If your child has already received this vaccination, please send this documentation in to Nurse Waters in the health room as soon as possible. On February 25, consent forms for DHEC's onsite Tdap vaccination clinic will be given to 6th graders who have not presented Sevier with record of their vaccination. Parents should send in documentation of their child's Tdap vaccination, or return the completed authorization form to allow their student to receive the Tdap vaccination during our scheduled clinic on April 20th. Consent forms are due no later than March 11th.

6th Grade Living History Museum

**Friday, February 12
Sevier Media Center**

Guests are invited to visit from
11:20am - 12:40pm

Students participating are dressed in costumes related to their selected time period and presenting key facts about their civilization.

Counselor's Corner



Congratulations to the following 8th grade students who qualified as PSAT Junior Scholars for 2015-2016:

Emmylou Anderson	Grace Brackett
Kaylen Beemer	Kevin Le
Jonathan Brennan	Ernest Jecis
Robert Foreman	Dalton Price
Coan Luquire	Logan Steele
Johnny Nguyen	



Student registration for the 2015-2016 school year is fast approaching. Students will be bringing home registration information very soon. **Dates for on-line registration are February 22 -February 26th for 6th and 7th grade students and March 14-18 for 8th 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 15th. Make sure you check out our NEW related arts course offerings. Rising 9th 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 8. This will need to be signed and returned by April 22nd. If you have any questions please feel free to call us at # 355-8204.



CAREER DAY

Sevier Middle School's annual Career Day will be held March 23, 2016, from 8:30am - 12:00pm. We are currently inviting businesses to be our guests for this event. It will be held in the gym in a fair-type setting. Interested business professionals may contact Mrs. Jami Crisman for further details at 864-355-8485 or email jcrisman@greenville.k12.sc.us



2nd Quarter Principal's Honor Roll

Congratulations to these students who received All A's on their 2nd quarter report cards:

6th grade: Agustin Acevedo, Amber Altier, Willow Baker, Hailey Bergenthal, Bayley Betsill, Audrey Bryant, Zoe Buddie, Kerri Burgess, Neleah Clough, Andrew Collins, Joni Dolson, Jackson Duncan, Madison Falls, Nadia Gomez, Ansley Hall, Juliana Harris, Morgan Hayes, Deacon Hege, Chloe Henry, Kassandra Hernandez-Zuniga, Alison Hinojosa, Ashley Ho, Danny Ho, Zytaria Hughes, Paxton Keskitalo, Kenli Knox, Abigail Koon, Ada Le, Aidan McCard, Hayden Moody, Adelaide Nagy, Andrew Nguyen, Christy Phan, Lexie Pust, Perla Reyes-Santos, Mariela Rodriguez, Taylor Smith, Madison Stover, Zacharia Strange, Kenndey Tillery, Van Uk, Johnson Wilklow, and Courtney Williams-Duckett

7th grade: Mason Bailey, Mackenzie Barker, Ian Blackburn, Bess Bridwell, Leah Chappell, Nicholas Costello, Seth Dorchon, Owen Dover, Rebecca Eaves, Mitchell Evans, Kendall Foster, Hannah Hand, Jada Hardy, Logan Harrison, Elizabeth Heible, Eric Ho, Aaron LaBar, Avona Le, Hang Le, Christopher Lewis, Gideon McCants, Nigel Moorer, Muhammad Mukri, Luke Newlin, Zabriel Ortiz-Ruiz, Olivia Pechin, Noah Saitz, William Schaible, Josiah Shealy, Andrew Smart, Isabella Smith, Clark Sponseller, Davis Sponseller, Parker Stambaugh, Anna Stanton, Patrick Stone, Macy Storm, Caroline Stinsky, Kayly Tran, and Hayden Wyatt.

8th grade: Mary Arnold, Kaylen Beemer, Grace Brackett, Nick Brenegan, Jonathan Brennan, Conner Chambers, Jack Edwards, Samuel Evans, Huda Falous, Lydia Flackett, Grayson Hall, Steven Hannon, Adeline Hudson, Cameron Knox, Kevin Le, Coan Luquire, Johnny Nguyen, Saran Rhoades, Ami-Faith Sherer, Amanda Wampler, and Cason Whitmire.



Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) Conferences An IGP is required each year for all students grades 8 - 12 in the state of South Carolina. This meeting discusses career assessments, graduation requirements, scholarship information, and other pertinent information. We thank all the parents who signed up for their appointments, however many parents have yet to do so. If you have not signed up for your 8th grader's **mandatory IGP meeting**, please go to our website to reserve your appointment as soon as possible. IGP meetings are scheduled for completion by February 29. Call Mrs. Howard at 864-355-8204 with questions.



Thank you to our Community Sponsors for providing support for some of our students: Mountain Creek Baptist Church, Taylors First Baptist, Faith Baptist, and Lasting Impressions Hair Salon. We appreciate all you have done to support our school.



Beta Club Induction Ceremony for all NEW students joining the Beta Club will be held Thursday, February 18th at 6:30pm.

Students must arrive and go to the media center at 6:00pm. NO JEANS or Shorts are to be worn. 6th Grade Beta Club meetings will be held every 2nd Monday of the month from 3:25 - 3:45pm.



Congratulations to our 8th grade ACE award Nominations:

Cheyenne McClain, Kaylen Beemer, Bentley Clark, Hailey Putman, Chalan Johnson, Maria Rivera-Raymundo, Sierra Burns, Ami-Faith Sherer, Loudon Craig, Ethan Gaines, Jonathan Brennan, Perrin (Cody) Sullivan, Steven Hannon, Parker Holmes, Andre Hill, Samuel Evans, and Christian (CJ) Minter.



Jami Crisman, 6th grade School Counselor, 355-8485
Tomiko Long, 8th grade School Counselor, 355-8377

Darcy Storm, 7th grade School Counselor, 355-8203
Melinda Howard, Guidance Office Clerk, 355-8204



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Sevier is a STEAM-focused school. Problem and project-based learning is a key method used to master the standards and promote critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and creativity.

6th Grade

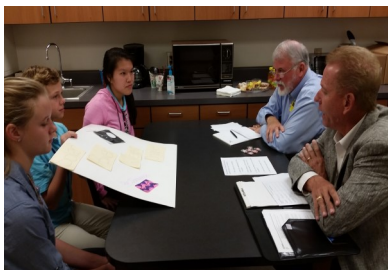


The 6th grade STEAM unit was inspired by the recent flooding that occurred in South Carolina. Students have worked in groups to create a model of a viable community that can withstand the catastrophic forces of nature and serve the needs of its people. Math classes determined the space specifications for the buildings of the community, while Science classes focused on testing, design, and construction. ELA classes studied the causes and impact of the flooding, researched structural design elements, and reflected daily on the processes underway. In Social Studies classes, students studied the social and political aspects of communities including decision making and conflict resolution. Each student group elected a representative to meet with the House of Representatives to make decisions that impact their community. View our communities at Falcon Flight



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7th Grade



Seventh graders took part in a STEAM unit called *Innovation Station*. Students worked in groups to develop an idea for innovating an existing product and presented their ideas to a panel of community members, our very own Shark Tank Panel. The students then worked to video a marketing pitch through English/Language Arts and design a scale drawing in Math. Students watched each other's marketing pitches and collaboratively posted comments and suggestions via Edmodo. The teachers are selecting the top 10. They

along with the overall Top 4 will be announced at a special assembly soon.

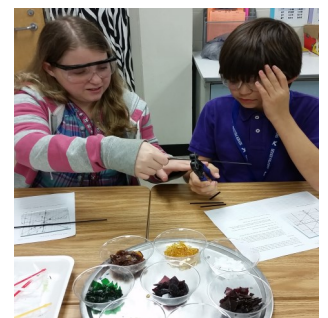


8th Grade



The driving question of 8th grade's STEAM project was "How did the Civil War affect South Carolina?" Students chose research topics from questions related to Social Studies standards. In Social Studies classes, students investigated facts and wrote commentary to answer their topic question. In ELA, students researched their topics through literature and explored symbolism through the lens of life in South Carolina during the Civil War. One topic studied was quilt making during the Civil War with an emphasis on the use of quilts to send

messages within the slave community, known as slave codes. Students prepared a Google slides presentation in ELA to present in Social Studies class. In Math, students integrated the symbolism of the slave codes used in quilt blocks with glass art to create quilt tiles made using linear equations. The glass tiles, when completed, will be "pieced" together to create a glass quilt art piece.





Student Recognitions



PTA Reflections

Congratulations to our district level PTA Reflections winners! Both will advance to State Competition.

- ⇒ Jacob Bishop-Pirrone awarded 2nd Place in Photography
- ⇒ Zoe Buddie awarded 3rd Place in Music



Geography Bee

Congratulations to Andy Collins, Sevier's Geography Bee winner, and to our 2nd place contestant Hailey Bergenthal. Great job to all those who participated!



All County Band

Congratulations to the following students for auditioning and being accepted into All County Band!

- ◆ Bess Bridwell
- ◆ Mitchell Evans
- ◆ Randall Martin



Junior Sinfonia Orchestra

Congratulations to Caroline Bryant and Taylor Smith for being accepted into the Junior Sinfonia Orchestra!



Caring for the Cobras

Students from our 8th Grade Service Learning group visited Rosemary Middle School, delivering 29 boxes of school supplies, clothing, and money donations totaling \$650. Thank you to all who donated!

Carowinds

Band, Strings, and Chorus students are reminded that your final payment for the Carowinds Festival of Music trip, including chaperone payments, are due February 19th.

Chorus & 6th Grade Music

- 7th and 8th Grade Chorus students will end their cookie dough sale on February 10th. All money and order forms need to be turned in on that day.
- 7th & 8th Grade Chorus students will be selected for and attending Spring Sing at the peace Center this month.
- Any student interested in signing up for 7th or 8th Grade Chorus needs to see Ms. Knight for a brief audition. Students currently enrolled in 6th Grade and 7th Grade chorus need not audition at this time.
- 6th Grade Music students need to purchase drum sticks for class as soon as possible.

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