



SEVIER MIDDLE SCHOOL FALCONS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 3/14 | PTA Shirt Day (now on sale for \$10) |
| 3/14 | Robotics @ Taylors Elem. for Science Night 6:30pm |
| 3/14-15 | 8th Gr. MAP makeups 7th Gr. MAP testing |
| 3/15 | Costa Rica Student Mtg 3:45 |
| 3/16-19 | 8th Gr. Beta Washington Trip |
| 3/17 | Chess Club |
| 3/18 | End of 3rd Quarter 6th & 7th Gr. Spring Mixer |
| 3/21 | 8th Gr. Shirt Day |
| 3/21-22 | 6th Gr. MAP testing |
| 3/23 | College & Career Day Dress for Success Day \$2 Kona Ice |
| 3/24 | 3rd Quarter Report Cards Gathering of Falcons Final 3rd Qtr Flycard Exch. Costa Rica Trip begins |
| 3/25 | Snow Day #3 —No School |
| 3/28-4/1 | Spring Break |
| 4/2 | Sevier at Imagine Upstate |
| 4/4 | Return to School from break |
| 4/7 | Model UN Trip Chess Club |
| 4/8 | Chorus/Orchestra to Carowinds Festival of Music |

Attention Parents of 6th Graders:

Proof of your child's Tdap vaccination is required before they may enter 7th grade. If you did not return the Tdap consent form to allow your child to participate in our on-site clinic on April 20th, you must submit documentation of your child's Tdap vaccination to Nurse Waters as soon as possible.

From The Principal — SC READY is the new State Test for ELA and Math. These tests are untimed. Calculators are permitted by any student **ONLY** on the calculator-permitted portion of the Math test. On the ELA portions, students will write in response to a sizeable piece of text. This is called *text-dependent analysis*. It is important for students to read carefully and completely through all reading portions of the test. These passages may be long and some students want to skim and move on. They must persist through the passages to get a strong result. Students and teachers are working hard to prepare for the new test format. **PASS** testing in Science and Social Studies will be administered at every grade level. These tests are untimed and in the same format that students have recently experienced. Thank you for your support and encouragement of your child to do his/her very best.

Karen McKee

Please have your child to school on time and **avoid making doctor appointments and scheduling other out of school functions during testing days**. Make sure that your child gets a good night rest and eats a healthy breakfast.

SC READY ELA AND MATH

7th Grade
6th & 8th Grade

ELA Day 1: Thursday, April 21st
ELA Day 1: Tuesday, April 26th

ELA Day 2: Friday, April 22nd
ELA Day 2: Wednesday, April 27th

7th Grade
6th & 8th Grade

Math: Thursday, April 28th
Math: Tuesday, May 3rd

SC PASS SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES

7th GRADE

Science: Wednesday, May 11
Social Studies: Thursday, May 12

6th & 8th GRADE

Science: Tuesday, May 17th
Social Studies: Wednesday, May 18th



Spring Sports Schedule



Games begins at 5:30pm. Admission is \$3.00. Children ages 5 and under are free.

| BOYS SOCCER & BASEBALL | DATE/DAY | GIRLS SOCCER & SOFTBALL |
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| SEVIER @ HUGHES | MAR. 21 / MON. | HUGHES @ SEVIER |
| HUGHES @ SEVIER | MAR. 23 / WEDS. | SEVIER @ HUGHES |
| BECK @ SEVIER | MAR. 24 / THURS. | SEVIER @ BECK |
| GREENVILLE @ SEVIER | APR. 5 / TUES. | SEVIER @ GREENVILLE |
| SEVIER @ LEAGUE | APR. 7 / THURS. | LEAGUE @ SEVIER |
| BASEBALL ONLY @ TANGLEWOOD | APR. 8 / FRI. | TANGLEWOOD @ SEVIER and BOYS SOCCER (girls & boys will play) doubleheader |
| BEREA @ SEVIER BASEBALL ONLY @ HOME | APR. 11 / MON. | SEVIER @ BEREA and BOYS SOCCER -(girls & boys will play) doubleheader |
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| SEVIER @ BECK | APR. 18 / MON. | BECK @ SEVIER |

Media Center Updates

Over 300 students committed to the Greenville Drive's Reading challenge of 5 books in 5 weeks. The Celebration Game is scheduled for April 11th at Flour Field.

Scholastic BOGO Book Fair is coming April 14! Every item is Buy One Get One Free! No profit for the school but a good way to get books in the hands of the students for summer reading.

March Madness for Books: Students have completed tournament predictions for the top book of the Sweet 16 most popular books among our students. Now students are voting on their favorites. Watch our website for updates!!



Falcon Walking Club

will take place on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (weather permitting) on the Sevier track from 3:50 - 4:30pm.

Spring Session: March 15 – May 5

All participants will receive a Falcon Walking Club card to keep track of their laps around the track. Participants can earn a wrist band for every 5 miles that they complete. All you need to bring is your athletic shoes, a water bottle, and a great attitude.

The Benefits of Walking

Research has shown that the benefits of walking and moderate physical activity for at least 30 minutes a day can help you:

- Combats health conditions and diseases
- Improve your mood
- Improve blood pressure and blood sugar levels
- Promote better sleep
- Maintain body weight and lower the risk of obesity
- Enhance mental well being



Orchestra and Chorus students participating in the Carowinds Festival of Music on April 7 will leave Sevier at 7am and depart from Carowinds at 8pm to return to Sevier.



Band and Strings will hold a Spring Concert on April 19 at 6:30pm in the amphitheater. All members should be present by 6pm dressed in concert black.

Counselor's Corner



Sevier Middle School's annual College & 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

6th & 8th Grade Students: Don't forget to dress as if you are attending an interview. Names will be entered in a prize drawing for all those who "Dress for Success!"



Current 6th and 7th grade students have completed choosing their electives for next year. Current 8th grade students will register for HS electives on either March 14 or 15. Copies of the elective choices were sent home with students on March 1. A link to ALL course catalogs is on Sevier's front webpage.

A final copy of each student's requests will be sent home on April 8. If there are any corrections you can write it on the forms. These will need to be signed and returned by April 22nd. If you have any questions please feel free to call us at # 355-8204.



A.R.M.E.S.
FINE ARTS CENTER

The ARMES (Arts Reaching Middle and Elementary Schools) program is represented by 8 talented Sevier students. Over 33,000 students in Greenville County are eligible to be nominated and of those, the ARMES program selects approximately 400 students. These students are designated as Gifted and Talented Artistic. We are very proud of the following students: Kaylen Beemer (Strings), Zoe Buddie (Drama), Mackenzie Clinch (Dance), Brett Forsyth (Visual Arts), Kassandra Hernandez-Zuniga (Visual Arts), Judasha Jones (Drama), Gideon McCants (Visual Arts), and Olivia Pechin (Dance).

It is time once again to nominate rising 3rd to 8th grade students for the ARMES program. Entrance into the program is by nomination and audition only. Anyone can nominate a student. The nomination form can be found on their website, www.armesprogram.com. ALL interested students must have an on-line nomination form completed by April 18, 2016.

Congratulations to our 8th grade ACE award Winners:

Chalan Johnson & Loudon Craig!
They will represent Sevier at the ACE Awards Ceremony on May 17, 2016.

Our other Semi-finalists were: Jonathan Brennan, Ami-Faith Sherer, Bentley Clark, and Cheyenne McElvain.



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

FALCON FRIENDS

Students in the Falcons Friends group are partnering up and practicing skills for the upcoming Special Olympics scheduled for April 20th.



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



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Student Recognitions



- ♦ Sevier has ranked as the top Middle School for 4 consecutive months for eBook Circulations. Our circulation numbers continue to rise. Oct.(46), Nov.(91), Dec.(176), Jan.(330), and Feb.(430).
- ♦ Softball Team: Breanna Darnell, Valerie Hendsbee, Kemiya Hubbard, Hailey Hughes, Zoeie Hughes, Chalan Johnson, Karli King, Gracie Lewis, Shaleigh Logsdon, Morgan Painter, Vicki Pilz, Stephanie Piqueria, Haley Putman, Erin Sims, Emileigh Snow, and Caitlin Spencer.
- ♦ Girls Soccer Team: Mary Calixto, Lily Elgin, Dyanne Garcia-Morin, Itzelh Gonzalez, Ali Hannon, Gabrielle Harrison, Kathryn Haswell, Estelle Howard, Madison Humphries, Cameron Knox, Meredith Pope, Emilee Prater, Jasmin Rubio, Michelle Solis- Islas, Fiorella Vasquez, Michelle Walter, Hallie Ward, and Kayla Wood.
- ♦ Boys Soccer Team: Cadence Barker, Alteo Cekrezi, Noa Clark, Nick Costello, Christian Garcia, Adrian Gleaton, Ricardo Guerrero, Omar Hilario, Axel Holweger, Omar Islas, Andy Jaramillo, Jaiden Logsdon, Jacob Lopez, Andry Martinez, Luke Mcwhorter, Angel Nube, William Piang, Jacob Reynega, Francisco Reynoso, and Luis Velazquez.
- ♦ Baseball Team: : Omari Banks, Nauleage Corpening, Matthew Giordano, Grayson Hall, Drew Hayes, Daniel Jordan, Zach Keener, Jeff Key, Coan Luquire, Hudson Phillips, Shives Rankin, Jack Siak, Cason Whitmire, Marshall Windham, and Hayden Wyatt.
- ♦ Recycling Matters Club: Jonathan Brennan, Bentley Clark, Qamaya Craig, Breanna Darnell, Kasey Driscoll, Lydia Flackett, Gabby Harrison, Addie Hudson, Savanna Jenkins, Colby Lister, Lizbeth Lopez, Maria Morales, Morgan Painter, Emily Rhea, Kayla Strange, Ian Tutt, and Brandon Young.
- ♦ Congratulations to students that traveled to USC College of Engineering & Computing for competition. Jahiem Scott, Logan Steele, and Lydia Flackett received 2nd Place Design and Modeling Engineering Award. Camden Kaminsky received the Automation and Robotics Innovation Award.
- ♦ Sevier Orchestra scored an Excellent rating for their performance at the Concert Festival at North Greenville University.
- ♦ Congratulations to the following students who auditioned and were chosen to represent Sevier Middle School in the 2016 Spring Sing Middle School Chorus performing at the Peace Center on Tuesday, April 12th: Amanda Wampler, Bentley Clark, Cassidy Bryant, Ami-Faith Sherer, Michelle Buress, Sara Hammonds, Cameron Ray, Sierra Burns, Armani Washington, Nauleage Corpening, Drake Stambaugh, Logan Wagner, Bradley Reed, Austin McCoy, Nasharia Johnson, Rhiannon Lyles, Avona Le, Tatianna Mann, and Kayla Wood.
- ♦ Congratulations to Robotics teams at recent competitions. 6th grade squad with Taylor Smith, Whit Cox, Andy Collins, Cade Greely, and Elijah Childers won the Sportsmanship Award at the J.L Mann High School Competition. 8th Grade team with Gabe Jordan, Camden Kaminski, and Dalton Price won the Excellence Award at J.L. Mann HS and also were Tournament Champions at the Dutch Fork Middle School Competition.
- ♦ Congratulations to the 7th graders who were awarded the Top 10 innovations ideas from the recent 7th grade STEAM unit Innovation Station. 1st Place goes to (The Auto-Feeder) Mackenzie Barker, Olivia Pechin, and Morgan Thoennes; 2nd Place to (HP Case) Hayden Wyatt and Parker Stambaugh; and Honorable Mention to (The Kinetic Light) Audrey Miller, Erin Sims, and Bryn Betenbaugh.
- ♦ Congratulations to Ryley Edwards and Nick Brenegan for being chosen as 2015-16 Middle School All-Stars for basketball.

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