

TigerTimes

Sherrard Jr/Sr High Newsletter

October 2023

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

October 2

Booster Club Meeting - 6p

October 4

Early Dismissal - 1p
P/T Conferences

October 5

No School
P/T Conferences

October 6

No School

October 9-13

No School - Fall Break

October 18

School Board Meeting - 6p

October 25

NMSQT Testing
Fall Play - 7p

October 26

Fall Play - 7p

October 29

JH Band Concert - 2p

Athletics / Activities

Get up to date athletic and activities schedules on the Sherrard SNAP! website:

<https://schools.snap.app/SherrardHS>

Principal's Note

Welcome to Fall!!! As the temperatures drop, it is hard to realize the first quarter of the school year is almost over! We have seen great success in many of our fall athletic programs. The post-season is approaching fast - pay close attention to our athletic scheduling calendar "SNAP!" (formerly called 8to18) (<https://schools.snap.app/sherrardHS>) located on our athletic website. Get out and support your Tigers!

I encourage all parents and guardians to participate in our Student Led Parent/Teacher conferences on **October 4 and 5 from 2:10 - 6:30 p.m.** You should have been contacted by your student's facilitating teacher to set a date and time. If you have not, please email me at wernentint@sherrard.us. Remember we do not have school on Friday, October 6 and fall break is October 9-13.

As we near the end of the quarter, a reminder about our grading system; semester grades are calculated based on work from the entire semester including the final exam. We no longer use the average of the two quarter grades plus the final. The quarter grade is now a progress update, similar to our midterm grade checks. Also, remember the 70-30 breakdown of grade weights in which summative assessments (tests, quizzes, projects, major labs, etc.) account for 70% of the student's grade, while the remaining activities (homework, participation, daily work, etc.) account for 30% of the student's grade. The 70-30 scale is utilized in most classes, teachers have shared their grading scales and requirements to the students. The grading scale applies to all of our learners. Please contact your student's teacher if you have questions.

Your continued support and partnership is appreciated as we prepare all Sherrard students for life after high school. Go Tigers!

Educationally yours,
Tim Wernentin, Principal

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Jr. High 309.593.2135



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.youtube.com/results?search_query=sherrard+morning+announcements+TV

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



Please remember that vacations that are scheduled during the school year are, by state code, unexcused absences. We encourage all families to plan trips during non-school days. If there are extenuating circumstances in which you need to have your student miss for these types of events, please contact me at wernentint@sherrard.us to discuss the absence.

Thanks for all you as parents and guardians are doing to prepare your student for all post-secondary options! Know we are partners in this endeavor and value working with you. Please contact us for any assistance at 309-593-2175 or email me directly at wernentint@sherrard.us.

Yours Educationally - Tim Wernentin, HS Principal

JH Principal's Note

Parents and Guardians,

Student Led Conferences are Oct. 4th and Oct. 5th from 2:10 pm to 6:30 pm. The teachers will have individual facilitation schedules and the student and parent will be meeting in the facilitating teacher's classrooms at their scheduled time. There is no school Oct. 6th.

Fall Break will begin Oct 9th through Oct 13th. We will return to instruction on Oct 16th.

There are several Girls Basketball and Football/Cheerleading games in the month of October. Come on out and cheer on the JH Tigers! Boys basketball and basketball cheer tryouts and practices will begin after fall break. If your student is participating in either of these, be sure they have a current physical turned into the office.

If your student is getting picked up during the school day, please notify the office in advance. They will get a pass to leave class and sign themselves out in the office, then watch for a parent/guardian at the entrance and come out to meet you when you arrive. If your student is arriving at school later during the school day, please notify the office in advance and you may drop them off at the entrance. The office will check them in and collect a school excuse note if they were at an appointment. *Please note: Any students involved in after-school activities will need a school excuse from time missed during the school day in order to participate.

Thanks everyone! - Rick Basala, JH Principal

Student of the Month

HIGH SCHOOL

English: Ayden Kenney

Math: Kelvon White

Science: Bri Bynum

Social Studies: Izzy Estes

Fine Arts: Josh Orlovski

PE/Health: Grace Bohnert

Vocational: Lexi Wehrheim

Business: Zachary Shields

Special Forces: Will Stanley

JUNIOR HIGH

English: Allison Ziegenhorn

Math: Althea Gnatovich

Science: Quinn Zimmerman

Social Studies:

Allison Ziegenhorn

Fine Arts: Ava Weist

PE/Health: Kamryn Green

Service: Lily Monaco

Striving for Excellence:

Alex Serre

Vendor Fair

This year the Sherrard All School Senate will be co-hosting their Annual Operation Santa Vendor Fair with The Bean Field Coffee House on **October 14th**. The vendor fair will be in Viola, IL and will be in conjunction with the Ride 17 Music Festival. The vendor fair will be outdoors.

If interested in having a booth at the fair, please fill out and return a Vendor Fair Contract Form and return to the high school, attention Vanessa Schulenberg, by October 9th. All registration fees will be donated to Operation Santa.

Operation Santa is a year-long fundraising process that each school within the Sherrard School District takes part in. The mission is to have every child in the district experience a happy holiday season. Operation Santa first started in 1990 as a student service project. That year they raised over \$4,000 and donated 3,000 pounds of food to families who showed a need.

Passport to Reading

The library is hosting a reading program all year this year. Students can sign up in the library to help keep track of what they are reading in a Passport to Reading. Students should see Ms. Bennin for more information.



Activities and Athletic Schedules

Activities and athletic schedules have been available on the Sherrard 8to18 website, however 8to18 has changed their name to **SNAP!**. They have also changed the web address and updated the look of the website. The new website is <https://schools.snap.app/SherrardHS>. Check it out and be sure to sign up for email alerts to get schedule changes and updates by clicking the "Subscribe" button at the bottom of the home page!



Freshman

Ninth Grade Physicals must be turned in by 10/16/23. Students not in compliance will be excluded from school per State Requirements.

- All ninth grade students are required to have an updated school physical.
- State law requires Illinois Department of Public Health form to be used.
- Physical forms are available at the school and on the school district web site www.sherrard.us, go to **Departments** and select **Health Services, Health Forms** and **Student Physical Form**.
- Physicals must be completed and signed by a physician licensed to practice medicine, a physician's assistant, or an advanced practice nurse. **Chiropractors MAY NOT perform school or sports physicals.**
- Parents or guardians are required by state law to complete and sign the **health history** portion on the back of the physical form.
- **Sports physicals will not fulfill this requirement.** The ninth grade physical may be used for a sport physical for 395 days from the date of the exam. Students who receive freshman physicals March 1, 2023 will need another sports physical by April 1 of 2024, if they desire to participate in spring sports. Please keep this in mind when scheduling your child's physical.
- Call for vaccine and physical appointments prior to end of this school year.
- A copy of your child's immunization record may be required by the health care provider.

Seniors

The Meningococcal Vaccine is required for all 12th grade Students by Oct. 16, 23. Students not in compliance will be excluded from school per State Requirements.

All students entering the **12th grade** shall show proof of having received two doses of the **meningitis vaccine** prior to entering the **12th grade**. The first dose shall have been received on or after the **11th birthday**, and the second dose shall have been administered on or after the **16th birthday**, and at least eight weeks after the first dose. If the first dose is administered when the child is 16 years of age or older, only one dose is required.

***NOTE: This must be the Meningococcal vaccine (Menactra or Menveo). The Meningitis B Vaccine otherwise known as Trumenba or Bexsero does not meet this requirement. Some pharmacies such as Walgreens have administered the Meningitis B vaccine instead of the Meningococcal Vaccine.

Tiger Closet

We have kept our Amazon Wish List up to date, but we know many are not Amazon shoppers and would still like to contribute. Here is a list of our “greatest needs.” As always, we appreciate everyone’s support, this labor of love wouldn’t be possible without the community support we receive.

Needs:

- Laundry detergent
- Laundry stain remover
- Dryer sheets
- Dish soap
- Tampons
- Hair ties
- Face wash
- Face moisturizer
- Deodorant
- Hair dryers
- Toilet paper

For those that do want to use the Amazon Wish List, [click here](#) for it.

If you have any questions you can contact:

Vanessa Schulenberg at schulenbergv@sherrard.us or Erin DeKeyrel at dekeyrele@sherrard.us.



From the HS Counseling/Academic Center:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Did you know that you can receive daily or weekly notifications from your student’s Google *Classrooms*? As a guardian, you can get email summaries about your student’s activity in Classroom. Email summaries do not include grades.

In email summaries, you can review:

Missing work—Work not turned in when the summary was sent.

Upcoming work—Work that’s due today and tomorrow (for daily emails) or that’s due in the upcoming week (for weekly emails).

Class activities—Announcements, assignments, and questions recently posted by teachers.

To get email summaries of your student’s work, you must accept an email invitation from a teacher. You can unsubscribe from summaries or remove yourself as a guardian at any time.

Steps to receive notification:

1. The teacher emails you an invitation to join your student’s class.
2. In your email program, open your email invitation and accept.

In addition, the *parent portal on Infinite Campus* is a great tool to monitor grades and assignments. If you do not have a parent portal, or cannot gain access to yours, please contact Jen Thurman to get it set up. thurmanj@sherrard.us

Is your student struggling with any classes? If so, Sherrard High School offers *After School Study Hall*.

When: Every Tuesday and Thursday

Time: After school until 5pm (activity bus available for transportation home)

*Teachers supervise to provide support if needed

Senior Parents/Guardians:

Academic Counseling Google Classroom:

Your students have been invited to join the *Academic Counseling Google Classroom*. A ton of information is provided about post high school through this classroom. Encourage your student to join, and accept the guardian invite to see notifications.

Sherrard Booster Club

Come check out the Sherrard Booster Club at their next meeting!

*Wednesday, October 2
6:00 pm
High School Library*

The Booster Board is in great need of new board members and has multiple positions open. Due to lack of people some concession stands will not be covered this year. Please consider joining and being part of this great organization that helps our district and students out!

Many hands make light work!



Junior and Senior Parents/Guardians:

ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) Exam:

Sherrard High School is administering the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) exam on November 16th during the school day. This is open to all juniors and seniors. The ASVAB exam is the military entrance exam, but can also provide very valuable career information for any student in high school. Taking the test does not sign you up for the military or commit you to them in any way. Scores are only released to the military upon your request. Students should contact Mrs. Drish for more information.

College Visits:

A reminder that Seniors are allowed 2 college visit days as excused absences and Juniors are allowed 1. In the Spring, seniors will be allowed an additional visit on SAT/PSAT testing day.

SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Power of Empathy

Experiencing empathy can make your own life better. Empathy can open your heart, letting in more feelings, but also softening some of the tough experiences. As we build empathy for others, we understand them more and can connect with them differently, which boosts our resilience—the ability to bounce back after challenges.

There are many ways we can cultivate empathy for others. Here's one activity to try: Identify someone who bothers you, who you are having a difficult time with. This could be a student, a colleague, or a boss. Discreetly attempt to take a photo with your phone of the person's shoes. If you can't do this, then pay attention to their shoes and make a mental note of them, or even create a sketch.

Throughout the course of the day, imagine being in this person's shoes. Use whatever knowledge you have about them to imagine them putting on their shoes in the morning, getting to school, going through their day, leaving school at the end of the day, going home, and so on. At the end of the day, record your reflections. What was the experience like? How did you feel? How did your thoughts and feelings about the other person shift?

Empathy is about opening your heart. Teachers, students, and parents have many opportunities to do this, and developing empathy as a practice can actually make our life easier.

Elana Aguilar - Edutopia <https://www.edutopia.org/article/power-empathy/>

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.

blackwells@sherrard.us

drishju@sherrard.us

Operation Santa 3rd Annual Vendor Fair Contract

All clubs, groups or individuals wishing to participate in the Operation Santa Vendor Fair on Saturday, October 14th from 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. are required to complete this form and submit with a \$15 registration fee.

Payment:

Checks are the only form of payment accepted. Make all checks payable to Sherrard High School. Checks and registration form can be mailed to:

Sherrard High School
% Vanessa Schulenberg
4701 176th Ave.
Sherrard, IL 61281

Please contact Vanessa Schulenberg at schulenbergv@sherrard.us with all questions.

NO REFUNDS

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Detach Here

Vendors are responsible for providing their own tables and tents. Please return this portion of the form with payment no later than **Monday, October 9th**. Spaces will be first come first serve. You will be able to arrive to set your space up on Saturday starting at 6:30 a.m.

Lunch for vendors will be provided by the All School Senate.

Will you be providing a raffle item: ___ yes **or** ___ no

If so, please provide a description of the item: _____

Business Name: _____

Your Name: _____ Phone (_____) _____

Address _____

Your email address: _____

Briefly describe your product(s)

OCTOBER 2 - NOVEMBER 9 2023

SHERRARD NHS AND THE RIVERBEND
FOOD BANK

HUNGER DRIVE

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF \$1,500

SCAN THE QR CODE OR CLICK THE LINK TO HELP
[HUNGER DRIVE DONATIONS LINK](#)



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Sherrard School District PreK – 6 Menu

BREAKFAST



School Information: Menu Subject to Change
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.
Early Dismissal: October 4th & 5th



Applications for free/reduced meals are available at each attendance center or on the district website. Families must pay for meals eaten prior to applications being approved. Students with a negative balance will not be allowed to charge a la carte items.



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Muffin
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

2

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

3

Mini Pancakes
Syrup
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

4

Cinnamon Super Stix
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

5

No School

6

No School

9

No School

10

No School

11

No School

12

No School

13

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

16

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

17

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

18

WG Poptart
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

19

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

20

Muffin
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

23

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

24

Egg & Cheese Omelet
Goldfish Crackers
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

25

Mini Pancakes
Syrup
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

26

Egg & Cheese Bites
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

27

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

30

Halloween
Cinnamon Super Stix
½ Cup Fruit
½ Cup 100% Juice
Milk Choice

31



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Cheese Dippers **2**
 Marinara
 Corn
 Celery - Applesauce
 Milk Choice

Walking Taco **3**
 Lettuce - Tomatoes
 Carrots
 Apple
 Milk Choice

Cheeseburger/Bun **4**
 Fries
 Mixed Fruit
 Peach Cup
 Milk Choice

Crispitos **5**
 Tater Tots
 Celery
 Pineapple
 Milk Choice

No School **6**

No School **9**

No School **10**

No School **11**

No School **12**

No School **13**

Mini Corn Dogs **16**
 Waffle Fries
 Chili Beans
 Pears
 Milk Choice

Baked Spaghetti **17**
 Bread Stick
 Pears – Carrots
 Apple
 Milk Choice

Hot Dogs **18**
 Mixed Salad
 Celery
 Mixed Fruit
 Milk Choice

Chicken Tenders **19**
 Carrots – Corn
 Strawberry Cup
 Ranch Doritos
 Milk Choice

Cheese Pizza **20**
 Tater Tots
 Broccoli
 Pineapple
 Milk Choice

Hamburger/Bun **23**
 Carrots
 Green Beans
 Applesauce
 Milk Choice

Breaded Chicken/Bun **24**
 Celery
 Broccoli
 Mixed Fruit
 Milk Choice

TigerRite/Bun **25**
 Fries
 Carrots
 Pears
 Milk Choice

Popcorn Chicken **26**
 Baked Beans
 Broccoli - Peaches
 Tiger Grahams
 Milk Choice

Sausage Pizza **27**
 Tater Tots
 Celery
 Pineapple
 Milk Choice

Italian Pull-A-Part **30**
 Marinara
 Mixed Salad – Corn
 Strawberry Cup
 Milk Choice

BBQ Rite/Bun **31**
 Fries
 Carrots – Carmel Chex
 EEK Slushy
 Milk Choice

