NOVEMBER 16, 2020

It's A Great Day To Be A Pioneer!



Important Dates:

11/16 IN SCHOOL PICTURE DAY -GRADES 9-11

11/17 IN SCHOOL PICTURE DAY -SENIORS

11/20 PIONEER SPEAKER SERIES

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Dear SFDS Families,

We were so excited to have our Freshman come in and take the PSAT. This is the first step to taking the ACT/SAT.

Our collective goal and top priority remains providing our students with the highest quality education, while also ensuring their health and safety. With that being said we are adjusting our school hours and bell schedule.

Do not forget that we are back with our Pioneer Speaker Series this Friday, 11/20/2020 - See you then!

For any return to school questions please email me directly at rfacen@sfdshs.org

GO PIONEERS!



DEAN OF STUDENTS

In consideration of a recent and considerable increase in COVID cases, not only in Illinois but in the Chicagoland area, we will be adjusting our class and bell schedules in an effort to mitigate and minimize risk to our students and their families, as well as to our staff and faculty.

To that end, beginning Monday, 11/16/2020, classes will run 40 minutes long, with 4 minute passing periods, which makes for a school day of 8:00 am start and 1:50 pm dismissal.

See the next page for the NEW schedule that will begin Monday 11/16/2020

Students, please continue to adhere to the Dress code set in place for this semester. Students who do not follow the dress code will be sent home starting Monday 11/16/2020 - see the end of the newsletter for the enitre dress code guidelines

PICTURE DAY November 16th - Grade 9-11 Pictures

Tuesday, November 17th - Senior Pictures

Underclassmen can either wear their school uniforms, or simply appropriately "dress up".

Grades 9-11 can pre-order their picture packages at lifetouch.com with picture day ID code: EVTCRQRW7.

Seniors are asked to "dress up" as well, and will also be taking pictures in a supplied cap and gown. Seniors will receive proofs of pictures prior to ordering.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE

- 8:00-8:40 AM
- 8:44-9:24 AM
- 9:28-10:08 AM
- 10:12-10:52 AM
- 10:56-11:36 AM
- 11:40-12:20 PM
- 12:24-1:04 PM
- 1:08-1:50 PM
- PERIOD A PERIOD B PERIOD C PERIOD D PERIOD E PERIOD F PERIOD G PERIOD H



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UNIFORM GUIDELINES FOR RETURNING TO IN PERSON LEARNING OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2020

The following guidelines will be put into effect on 10/26/2020 and carry out throughout 12/18/2020. Upon returning from winter break, Lands End uniforms will be required of all students.

FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED AND ARE PART OF THE UNIFORM

Shirts/Polos

Returning students may wear the uniform shirt from the previous year. SOLID color long sleeve dress shirt polos **WILL BE** acceptable: Navy, Black, White or Light Blue. The uniform shirt must have sleeves and must be tucked in at all times. Students may also wear any SFDS branded t-shirt. T-shirts **MUST BE** tucked in at all times and be free from holes.

Sweater/Jackets

Returning students may wear their school sweater. If a student is cold, it is required that they layer clothing underneath the uniform. Students may wear plain white t-shirts or plain white turtlenecks under the uniform shirt or blouse, but not in place of the uniform shirt or blouse. Solid color: NAVY, BLACK, WHITE, sweaters are permitted so long as they do not have any graphics on them. North Face/Columbia sweaters **are acceptable** as long as they are the appropriate colors: NAVY, BLACK, WHITE. **NO HOODS AT ANY TIME!** Sweaters can also include, but are not limited to, warm-up jackets with NO HOOD as long as they are SFDS branded.

Pants

Dress pants may be worn for both male and female students. "Dickies" or "Dockers" style pants may be worn. Acceptable colors are: NAVY, BLACK, AND BEIGE (KHAKI). Jean-style pants will be allowed: **NOTE:** they may not have holes, rips, graphics or rhinestones. **NO SKINNY JEANS.** Pants should fit appropriately to the student's body size and body shape. Pants and other articles of clothing should neither be too tight nor too baggy. Yoga pants/joggers/ Athletic pants **ARE NOT** acceptable.

Belts

A buckled belt must be worn at all times for both male and female students. Dress belts of appropriate size and length are to be worn at all times. Any extra length of belt is to be looped through the pant loops and not to hang down from the pants. Metal or chain belts or oversized belt buckles are unacceptable. Chains from belts to pockets are not allowed.

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Socks

Socks or stockings must be worn at all times. The acceptable colors are navy, gray, black, white, or brown. Socks must be a SOLID COLOR and be a matching pair.

Shoes

When wearing the school uniform, shoes must be leather or leather-like, either tie or loafer- style, cut below the ankle. When wearing SFDS Spirit wear, students may wear solid color gym shoes (black, white, navy blue or gray). Neither sandals, mules, clogs, moccasin-like shoes, boots, or hiking shoes may be worn. While it may be necessary to wear boots in inclement weather, they **ARE NOT** to be worn during the school day. Shoes should have a non-marking sole, and be free of cleats, nails or other items that could damage the floor.

Facial Hair

Facial hair - mustaches, beards, goatees and other forms of facial hair will be permitted. Students are required to maintain facial hair short and neatly trimmed. Students failing to comply with the facial hair expectations may be asked to shave and may be subject to disciplinary action including but not limited to; detention, and/or in-school or out-of- school suspension.

Students who are not in the proper uniform may not be permitted to attend class. Otherwise, the student will report to in-school suspension until the proper uniform item(s) can be brought to them.

Backpacks

For the 2nd quarter of school, students will be allowed to carry a backpack with them from class to class. Backpacks must be placed under the students' desks. Lockers WILL NOT be in use for students.

Administration reserves the right to change/amend these guidelines at any given time. They may also dictate what is appropriate uniform on a case by case basis.

COUNSELORS CORNER

Over the past two months, I have been busy getting to know most of the seniors. During this time, we have been working on completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), applying to colleges, completing scholarship applications, and looking into trade school options. It has been wonderful getting to know the senior class. While my focus to date has been to work with the students directly, I welcome working with parents too.

Please email me at mburke@sfdshs.org if you would like to discuss your child's post-secondary plans.

HAPPY HEAVENLY BIRTHDAY BIG WOLF!

While you may not be here in person to celebrate your birthday with your SFDS family, we still want to make sure that you know we are always thinking of you and your family.

Your laugh will be truly missed around the gym this time of year.

