

District Parent Announcements – May 1, 2014

<p><u>End of the Year Dates</u> Friday, May 16 = High School Awards Day @ 8:30. Friday, May 16 = High School Graduation Practice @ 11:00. Sunday, May 18 = High School Graduation @ 2:00. Friday, May 30 = A Day Finals. Friday, May 30 = Junior High Awards Day @ 1:30. Monday, June 2 = B Day Finals. 2:15 Dismissal.</p>		<p><u>End of the Year Report Cards.</u> Elementary students will receive their end of the year report cards on Monday, June 2nd. Junior/senior high students will be mailed their end of the year report cards. REMINDER: The last day of school, June 2nd, is a 2:15 dismissal day. It is no longer “just a report card day” with an 8:45 dismissal. This is a new state law.</p>	
<p><u>Backpack Project</u> Once again, the Living Faith Church in Bowen will conduct the Backpack Project. The Backpack Project provides book bags and basic school supplies to students free of charge. I will provide more information in the June and July parent announcements. Thank you to Living Faith!</p>		<p><u>Immunizations/Physicals</u> According to State Code, if a child does not present proof of health examination and immunizations by October 15 of a year in which proof is required, the school board is required to suspend the child from school. May a school board establish a date earlier than October 15 for proof of immunization? Yes, provided the school district gives notice of the requirement at 60 days prior to the established earlier date. At the January 2014 board meeting, the board established the immunization deadline date for the 2014-2015 school year as the second day of student attendance. Therefore, 2014-2015 immunizations/physicals are due August 20, 2014.</p>	
<p><u>Science Club</u> 38% of the junior high and high school students that advanced to the IJAS State Science Fair from Region 10 were from Southeastern. 60% of the junior high and high school Special Awards given from Region 10 were from Southeastern. Seniors Kassie Henry and Kelly Arnold advanced to the International Science Competition in Los Angeles, California.</p>		<p><u>Focus Monitoring</u> On April 10, 2014, I received our Focus Monitoring Final Report. Below you will find the summary: "Southeastern Community Unit School District 337 is in compliance in the areas of the focus monitoring review. The district is not required to complete any activities for evidence of correction or evidence of change; therefore, the focus monitoring process is closed and no further documentation is required. Your cooperation and assistance throughout this process have been appreciated. The district is commended for its efforts to successfully serve students disabilities." I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Southeastern on this incredible accomplishment. This just does not happen everywhere.</p>	
<p><u>Retirements</u> The following staff members are retiring at the end of this school year. Please take the time to thank these dedicated educators: Dee Sorrells = Secretary = 23 years. Janet Sprinkle = Early Childhood Teacher = 24 years. Pam Wells = Bus Driver = 18 years.</p>			

Attached you will find the 2014-2015 school calendar and the 2014-2015 immunization requirements.

School Calendar 2014-2015

AUGUST		
18	Monday	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Institute Open House: Elementary 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM & Jr./Sr. High 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
19	Tuesday	2:05 PM Dismissal - First Day of School
School will be dismissed at 2:05 PM August 19-29, 2014		
SEPTEMBER		
1	Monday	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
OCTOBER		
13	Monday	NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day
16	Thursday	2:05 PM Dismissal
17	Friday	2:05 PM Dismissal - End of 1st Quarter
23	Thursday	Evening Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
24	Friday	NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
NOVEMBER		
26	Wednesday	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation
27	Thursday	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Day
28	Friday	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation
DECEMBER		
18	Thursday	2:05 PM Dismissal
19	Friday	2:05 PM Dismissal - End of 2nd Quarter and 1st Semester
Christmas Break - December 22 - January 2		
JANUARY		
2	Friday	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Institute
5	Monday	School resumes for students
19	Monday	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
FEBRUARY		
16	Monday	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Institute
MARCH		
12	Thursday	2:05 PM Dismissal
13	Friday	2:05 PM Dismissal - End of 3rd Quarter
19	Thursday	2:05 PM Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conferences 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM
20	Friday	2:05 PM Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conferences 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM
APRIL		
3	Friday	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
6	Monday	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
MAY		
18	Monday	2:05 PM Dismissal
19	Tuesday	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Institute
TBA		End of 4th Quarter and 2nd Semester

2014-15 PHYSICAL & IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Exams	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Physical Exam	X	X						X			X			
Dental Exam		X	X					X						
Vision Exam		X												
Lead Screening	X	X												
Sports Physical Exam (if involved in athletics)							X	X	X		X	X	X	

Immunizations	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
DTaP (4 doses)	X													
DTaP (Proof of 4 doses & booster)		X												
<i>Proof of DTaP (3 doses)</i>			X	X	X	X	X							
Tdap (1 dose)								X						
<i>Proof of Tdap (1 dose)</i>									X	X	X	X	X	X
Polio (3 doses)	X													
Polio (3+ doses & booster)		X												
MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella) (1 dose)	X													
MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella) (2 doses)		X												
<i>Proof of MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella) (2 doses)</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b)	X													
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Hepatitis B	X													
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<i>Proof of Hepatitis B</i>									X	X	X	X	X	X
Varicella	X													
<i>Proof of Varicella</i>		X						X		X				
PCV (Pneumococcal Disease)	X													
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NEW FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR:

Pre-K: Varicella - Two doses on/after 1st birthday (previously only one dose required).

Kindergarten: Varicella - Proof of two doses on/after 1st birthday (previously only one dose required).

6th Grade: Hepatitis B - Three doses at recommended intervals (previously required for 5th grade).