

Veterans Day Program. Please join the students of Southeastern 337 in honoring the most important group of people this country has ever produced - our American Veterans. The Southeastern School District will host its annual Veterans Day Program on Thursday, November 10, 2016. The location will be Southeastern Junior/Senior High School in Augusta. The program will begin at 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 2:30 p.m. All student and staff in the school district will attend this well-deserved tribute to our veterans. The community is welcome to attend.

November School Calendar.
Friday, November 11 = No School (Veterans Day)
Tuesday, November 22 = Regular Student Attendance and Dismissal (3:15)
Wednesday, November 23 = No School (Thanksgiving)
Thursday, November 24 = No School (Thanksgiving)
Friday, November 25 = No School (Thanksgiving)

Speech and Language Services. At the October 2016 board meeting, the board of education decided to outsource our speech and language services for the the 2016-2017 school year. This will begin immediately.

On a motion by Member Bruenger and a second by Member Eilers, the Board of Education approved the outsourcing of the 2016-2017 district's speech and language services to Presence Learning at an estimated cost of \$41,960.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Smith, Stephens, Bruenger, Cox, Eilers, Ramsey

Nay: None

Absent: Holst

Motion Carried

School Board Election. The 2017 School Board Election is April 4, 2017. The School Board Election process has changed. While the school board secretary is the "local election official," virtually all of the duties previously assigned to that position are now assigned to the "election authority." This is the County Clerk's office. The school district is no longer required to provide nominating packets, post a notice of when and where to file petitions, provide information to those interested in running, or receive and file nominating petitions. Everything goes through the County Clerk's office. Petitions can be picked up at the County Clerk's office beginning September 20, 2016. The filing of the petitions at the County Clerk's office is December 12, 2016 through December 19, 2016. The County Clerk's phone number is 888-307-2442. The County Clerk's office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

<http://www.iasb.com/elections/>.

As you know, we have very high behavior expectations for our students and our student-athletes. We

receive countless compliments for their behavior and in many ways it separates us from the others. We do not judge how others do it. We just know how we do it. It has always been my belief that "Academics (hard skills) and life skills (soft skills) must be taught and emphasized in order for students to live their dreams and be productive citizens." Learning how to respond appropriately to adversity is often the difference between winning and losing on the court and off the court. It is important all of us set an example for the type of behavior we want from our young people. I know this is hard. But, our young people do not listen to us, but they always watch us. Please lead by example. Everyone has a role at a ball game. The players have a role. The coaches have a role. The officials have a role. And the parents have a role. It is important everyone focuses on their role and not the role of the other stakeholders. It is when these roles become intertwined that problems occur. Everyone needs to fulfill their role and fulfill their role well. One of the roles of the coaches is to stand up/defend his players with officials. Sometimes parents try to fulfill this role and it seldom "pans out." In all my years in athletics, I have rarely seen an official "get better" when a parent yells at them or corrects them. However, I have seen officials take it out on the players / team (not the good ones). That is not our intention, but that is the reality. In addition, I believe excessive judging of officials leads to players having a crutch and a woe is me attitude vs having the ability to overcome obstacles and rise above situations. This plays out in life as well. With all that said, I know it is difficult. I know it is not easy. But, I also know it is very very important. Any fans, including adult fans, who behave in an inappropriate manner or who are ejected from an event by a game official/judge/administrator during Southeastern School athletic or extracurricular activities, whether the activity is home or away, will be denied admission. The penalty for the offense could result in additional days or less days depending on the severity and circumstances of the incident. First Offense: 30-day suspension from all extracurricular activities ("In most situations, an automatic 8 game/contest/event suspension"). Second Offense: 12-month suspension from all extracurricular activities.

If you are interested in being employed as a substitute cook or bus driver for the Southeastern School District, please contact me at 217-392-2172 or shsprin@southeastern337.com.

Budget Summary FY2017

- FY16 Revenue = \$5,519,575
- FY16 Expenses = \$5,389,637
- Beginning Fund Balance = \$2,730,010
- FY17 Predicted Revenue = \$5,662,450
- FY17 Predicted Expenses = \$5,592,289
- FY17 Revenues minus Expenses = \$70,161

Ball Game Etiquette. For the safety of everyone, please remain in your seats until timeouts or between games. People walking up and down the sideline during play is very dangerous. Thank you for your understanding and help in this matter.