

# HOME ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY 21, 2025

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

May 22	Spring Musical at 7 pm Performed by Preschool 4 through 5th Grades
May 23	Grandparents Day
	12:30 pm Dismissal for Students
	Walk-a-thon Money and Sponsor Forms Due
May 26	Memorial Day: School Closed
May 27	Three Schools Prayer Night at Northwest Christian 6:30 pm
May 28	Student Showcase Grades 3-8
June 9	School Board Meeting at 6 pm
June 10	
June 17	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation at 7 pm in the Sussex CRC Sanctuary
June 18	Last Day of School for Preschool 4 – 7th Grade: 12:30 pm Dismissal

#### **IT'S TIME FOR THE MUSICALE!**

Students in Preschool 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade have been very busy practicing for tomorrow night's Musicale! The program will start at 7 pm in the gym. We ask that **students arrive at 6:45 pm**. All students should report to their homeroom upon arrival. Preschool 4 children will be dismissed to sit with their parents after their portion of the program is over, so parents please save them a seat. Boys should wear dress pants and collared shirt, and girls should wear a dress or blouse with dress pants. No sneakers and no jeans. Preschool 4 children can dress in spring colors.



Due to the capacity limits of the gym, we must keep attendance limited to immediate family members and grandparents. We thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

#### GRANDPARENTS/GRANDFRIENDS DAY

We are excited to have Grandparents/Grandfriends Day Friday morning! Please let them know to park near the gym and enter through the main gym doors; they do not need to sign in at the office. Here is the schedule for the morning in case any of those you invited need it:

- 10 am to 11 am: Preschool 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grades
- 11:15 am to 12:15 pm: 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades

**Important Reminder:** If your children will be going home with their Grandparent/Grandfriend, please be sure you send written permission for them to do so. (Email is acceptable.) **We** cannot release children to them unless we have your permission.

#### FRIDAY EARLY DISMISSAL & BUSING UPDATE

Don't forget that Friday all students are being dismissed at 12:30 pm. Minisink and Warwick schools are closed and will not have transportation to or from school that day. Sussex-Wantage students will have transportation to school but will need to be picked up at 12:30 pm.

#### **BAKED GOODS NEEDED**

We would like to offer our Grandparents/Grandfriends some refreshments when they are here Friday. We will have many people in attendance, so we will need quite a few donations! If you would be willing to contribute something, please let the office know. Please note that all items must be nut free. Thank you!



#### WALK-A-THON SPONSOR FORMS AND MONEY DUE

All sponsor forms and money for the walk-a-thon must be turned in by Friday in order to be eligible for prizes.

#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS DUE NEXT WEEK!**

Those wishing to apply for tuition assistance for the 2025-2026 school year are reminded to do so no later than May 31, 2025. Applicants should apply online by clicking the FACTS link at: <a href="https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3K31M">https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3K31M</a>. If you have questions or concerns about the application process, please contact us.

#### TRIP REMINDER

TRIP will be held on Tuesday next week since school is closed Monday.

#### MIDMARKING PERIOD

We are passed the midpoint of the 4<sup>th</sup> marking period. Please be sure to check on your child's progress in Sycamore Education and address any concerns with the appropriate teacher.

#### **PESTICIDE SPRAYING**

The school grounds will be sprayed for ticks and gypsy moths on Saturday. Please see the Notification and MSDS sheets which were emailed to everyone for more information.

#### **PRAYER SERVICE**

We invite you to a joint prayer meeting being held at Northwest Christian School on May 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together and give prayer and praise to Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, for His gift of successful school years at NCS, VCA and SCS. We hope to see you there!



#### **SUMMER LEARNING**

SCS will once again be offering the Summer Learning Initiative! The Summer Learning Initiative is to help students with subject recovery, retention, and reduce learning loss. The SLI will take place in the morning on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays throughout the summer. The cost to enroll your child is \$25 per hour per child. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please contact the office.

#### STUDENT SHOWCASE - AN EVENING OF EXCELLENCE

We hope you take some time next **Wednesday**, **May 28** to attend our Student Showcase – an Evening of Excellence. Doors will be open from 6 pm to 8 pm. You will be able to:

- See the beautiful artwork created by students in Grades 3 8
- Hear the 8<sup>th</sup> graders give oral presentations on their research projects
- View the 6<sup>th</sup> graders' Science Fair
- See historical and famous figures come to life at the 7<sup>th</sup> graders Living Wax Museum. Those in attendance will be:
  - Napoleon Bonaparte
- Julia Childs
- •Elizabeth Elliott



# SCHOOL LUNCH MENU Cost \$3 or 1 lunch ticket



To purchase a book of 10 lunch tickets, simply send in \$30 cash or a check payable to SCS-OEL in an envelope with your child's name written on it.

WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
	5/16 – Pizza and Snack
5/28 – Chicken Parm Subs & Salad Workers: Rebecca Scott, Sue Pullis, Jenny Higgins, Sarah Goodwin	5/23 – Early Dismissal: No Lunch
6/4 – Grilled Cheese & Chicken Noodle Soup Workers: Sarah Moore, Kara Cannata NEED AT LEAST 1 MORE VOLUNTEER	5/30 – Pizza and Snack

We at least one more volunteer for the June 4 lunch. If you can help, please sign up using this link: HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE 2024-2025 - Google Sheets

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

We currently have the following openings for the coming school year:

 Early Elementary Teachers: Early elementary teachers bring the joy of learning to their students in a positive, loving, Christ-centered atmosphere. Elementary teachers are responsible for instructing their students in all subject areas including math, science, phonics, and Bible.

#### Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree
- Current teaching certificate (e.g., ACSI certificate or state certification) in elementary education.
- Fun, loving and caring personality that shows God's love to all.
- > Dedication to excellence in education for all learners.
- Active participation in a Christian church.
- Full and Part Time Teaching Assistants: Teaching assistants help lead teachers with classroom instruction and student supervision in a Christ-centered environment. They supervise students in classrooms, halls, recess, and specials. They assist children individually or in small groups to help them master assignments and reinforce learning concepts presented by teachers.

#### Requirements:

- Have completed a minimum of 60 college credit hours.
- Must reflect Christian values, work well with children, and support a nurturing, faith-based atmosphere.
- ➤ Have strong communication skills and a heart for the school's mission.
- > Active participation in a Christian church.

For more information on any of these positions, contact Mrs. Alison Mitchell at 973-875-5595 ext. 231 or amitchell@sussexchristianschool.org.

#### Sussex Christian School Board of Directors Meeting Notes for May 12, 2025

The Mission of Sussex Christian School is to prepare young people to live fully for God in a rapidly changing world, with the ability to understand, evaluate, and transform their world from the foundation of God's unchanging Word.

Members present: Christine Byma, Nick Kuperus, Ken Jeltema, Marlene Meyers, John C. Kuperus, Casey Sytsema, Nathan Drew, Alison Mitchell. Board Visitors Members-elect: Katie Kuperus, Scott Woodell

Devotions/Opening Prayer: Ken Jeltema read from the devotional Once a Day Every Day – Power of Perseverance. The devotion gave encouragement to Christians to persevere for the goal of Jesus and remain faithful during hardships. The Board was reminded that whatever problems we may encounter, God can handle it!

Member Development: President Christine Byma reviewed pages 2-3 of the School Board Handbook as we welcomed SCS Board Members Elect Katie Kuperus and Scott Woodell. These pages focus on specific aspects of "Being a Board Member" which include commitment, investment, rewards, confidentiality, and conflict of interest. Commitment to the Lord, the mission of SCS, the SCS Association and being wise; the investment of time and energy; the reward of being involved in a Christian service; the vital importance of maintaining strict confidentiality and avoidance of actual or perceived conflict of interest.

Review of emails/papers/correspondence sent to the School Board were read and received for information and have/will be responded to accordingly. The Board welcomed 1 new family. The Board thanks Farmside Landscape & Design for their generous donation of additional property maintenance. We also thank Ralph Giddens for sharing his gifts and talents in the installation of a systems upgrade to ensure standardized testing was successfully completed without interruption. The Board gives praise to the Lord for His provision of SCS through the good works of so many faithful supporters!

Mark your calendars: Spring Musical on May 22 and the Student Showcase on May 28.

Financial Reports: The financial reports for March were presented by the Finance Committee and approved by the Board.

The Administrator's Report was reviewed. Mrs. Mitchell reported there is a lot of activity with admissions and interest in SCS. The Board is grateful for this continued interest as it is a testament to the academic and spiritual excellence of SCS. Mrs. Mitchel gave thanks to the OLC Committee members who attended the May Faculty meeting and their commitment to working alongside the SCS teachers. Together, their goal is to develop class-specific projects which align with their science curriculum and will utilize the OLC to its fullest potential.

President Byma gave a summary of the 3 Schools quarterly meeting held on May 5<sup>th</sup>. NCS, VCA and SCS are committed to fostering current and seeking new collaborative opportunities with the goal of promoting and growing Christian Education in Sussex County. The Board invites you to attend the joint prayer meeting being held at Northwest Christian School on May 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was closed in prayer for the school families, teachers, and staff. The next Board meeting is on June 9, 2025.

Respectfully submitted, Marlene Meyers, Secretary

# Sussex Christian School TRIP Order Form

Name:			TRIP Account #:
Daytime Phone #:			
Send Order Home with:			Teacher:
Order Total: \$	Paid Via: "Cash	"Check:#	(Checks payable to SCS-TRIP)

TRIP Representatives are available on Monday mornings in the library. Cash and Carry Cards are available on a first-come, first-served basis and will be sent home that day. Special orders will be available before the following Monday.

### CASH AND CARRY CARDS CARDS

Name	Value	Qty
7/ 000	\$25	
76 Gas	\$100	
AC Moore	\$25	
A	\$25	
Acme	\$100	
Amazon	\$25	
	\$100	
Applebee's	\$25	
	\$50	
Bed, Bath & Beyond	\$25	
	\$100	
Burger King	\$10	
Clove Brook Market	\$10	
	\$25	
Dairy Queen	\$10	
Dundin Danuta	\$10	
Dunkin' Donuts	\$25	
Exxon/Mobil	\$50	
	\$25	
Farmside Supply	\$50	
	\$100	
Foundational H & F		
Gulf Gasoline	\$25	

Name	Value	Qty
	\$25	
Gap/Old Navy	\$100	
Hamaa Damat	\$25	
Home Depot	\$100	
iT. up o o	\$15	
iTunes	\$25	
	\$10	
Kohl's	\$50	
	\$100	
Lava ella Fra el	\$25	
Land's End	\$100	
Lavvala	\$25	
Lowe's	\$100	
Marshall's/TJ	\$25	
Max	\$100	
Olive Garden	\$25	
Panera Bread	\$25	
Quick Chek	\$25	
Red Lobster	\$25	
Rite Aid	\$25	
Chapte pait	\$25	
Shear Intensity	\$50	
Shell Gas	\$25	

Name	Value	Qty
	\$10	
Shop Rite	\$25	
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Staples	\$100	
	\$10	
Starbucks	\$25	
	\$25	
Stop and Shop	\$50	
31100	\$100	
Subway	\$10	
Sussex Meat	\$25	
Packing	\$50	
Tamarak	\$25	
Target	\$100	
	\$25	
Wal-Mart	\$100	
	\$250	
Wendy's	\$10	
Weis	\$25	
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VISA	\$50	
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## SPECIAL ORDER CARDS

Name	Value	Qty

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