



SCHOOL CALENDAR

- April 24Junior High Production of *Annie, Jr.* at 7 pm
- April 25Matinee Performance of *Annie Jr.* at 2 pm
- April 28 - May 1Standardized Testing Week for Grades 2 and 3
- April 29Track Meet at Wallkill Valley **Rescheduled from Last Week**
- April 30Track Meet at Wallkill Valley High School
- May 4-8Standardized Testing Week for Grades 4 – 8
- May 4OEL Meeting at 7 pm in the Library
- May 7Track Meet at High Point Regional High School
- May 8Walk-a-thon
- May 12Track Meet at Wallkill Valley High School
- May 14Track Meet at Wallkill Valley High School
- May 21Spring Musicale Grades P4 – 5th Grades at 7 pm
- May 22Grandparents Day: 12:30 pm Dismissal for Students
- May 25Memorial Day: School Closed
- May 27Student Showcase Grades 3 – 8

IT'S TIME FOR THE JUNIOR HIGH PLAY!

Everyone is invited to attend a wonderful performance by our Junior High students of **Annie, Jr.** Two shows will be held in the gym this week: Friday, April 24 at 7 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm) and Saturday, April 25 at 2 pm (doors open at 1:30 pm). Tickets are not needed to attend, but a free-will offering to support the school's drama program will be taken. **Please note that videotaping is strictly prohibited.**

FRIDAY PICK-UP AND PLAY PARKING NOTES

There will be visitation for the family of Rosina Byma held at Sussex CRC on Friday from 2 pm to 4 pm and again from 6 pm to 8 pm. Please be careful during pickup as there will be cars coming and going in the church parking lot. There will also be many cars there in the evening during our school play. **Please save the gym parking area for the elderly and those with limited mobility.**

REPORT CARDS

Report cards were sent home yesterday. Please be sure to review them, sign where indicated and return them to your child's teacher.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL AND GRADUATION

The School Board has set the 8th grade graduation date as Tuesday, June 16 at 7 pm. The ceremony will be held in the sanctuary of Sussex Christian Reformed Church. The last day of school for students in grades Preschool 4 through 7th grade will be Wednesday, June 17 with an early dismissal. Preschool 3's last day will be Tuesday, June 16.



2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Attached is the school calendar for the 2026–2027 school year. **It's important to note that school begins BEFORE Labor Day.** We kindly request that you plan vacations during times school is not in session so your children do not miss important classroom instruction. Please note that dates for performances are tentative and subject to change if a conflict arises.

2026-2027 STUDENT REGISTRATION

We thank all our families who took advantage of the Closed Enrollment period in January to register their child(ren) for the coming school year. As a reminder, registered families are given a two-week grace period after the publication of the next year's tuition rates to withdraw, which we have now passed.

STALLION OPPORTUNITY FUND APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 30

All applications for tuition assistance are due by April 30. Applications submitted after the deadline are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and are subject to available funds.

Applications must be submitted online at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3K31M> using your existing FACTS login information. If you do not have a FACTS account yet, please create one. Applications must be completed in full, including all required documentation, for FACTS to begin the review process.

There is a \$40 application fee that FACTS charges per application; however, one application may be submitted to multiple schools that use FACTS at no additional cost (e.g., Veritas Christian Academy). If you have already submitted an application for Veritas, you do not need to complete a new application. Simply log in to your existing application and add Sussex Christian School.

If you have questions about the application process, please contact the school office.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS WORKDAY- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are planning a joint workday with SCRC on May 9 (rain date May 16). Mulch for the flower beds has been generously donated for both properties. We will need manpower and tools (wheelbarrows, rakes, forks, brooms, etc.) We will start at 8 am in hopes of finishing by 1 pm or 2 pm. Many hands make light work! If you would be willing to help (time worked can be submitted for volunteer credit hours), please contact John Kuperus at jkuperus@sussexchristianschool.org.



**Come and
Join Us!**

WINNING POSTERS ON DISPLAY

Last year's Clean Communities Poster Contest winners' posters are on display at the Sussex-Wantage Library. Stop by to view the artwork created by some of our students!

TEACHING POSITION(S) AVAILABLE FOR 2026-2027

We are seeking dedicated and enthusiastic teachers to join our faculty for the 2026–2027 school year. Ideal candidates will have a heart for Christian education, a love for children, and the ability to create a dynamic and engaging learning environment. Positions include a focus on middle school math and science while fostering students' spiritual and academic growth. Teaching certification and/or ACSI certification is required. For more information, contact Mrs. Alison Mitchell at 973-875-5595 ext. 231 or amitchell@sussexchristianschool.org.

VOLUNTEER TUITION CREDITS

Attention families on a 10-month payment plan: If you have volunteer tuition credit hours to submit, please do so using the link below by April 28 so we can apply them to your May tuition bill. Those families on a 12-payment plan should submit their hours by June 20 so they can be deducted from your final payment in July. Please contact the office with any questions.

[Volunteer Tuition Credit Form](#)

STANDARDIZED TESTING

We will be administering standardized tests to all **2nd and 3rd grade students next week** and to **4th – 8th grade students the week of May 4.** (Kindergarten and 1st grade students will not be tested.) Please be sure your children are in attendance unless ill and that they are not tardy. The school has the following policy for students taken out of school during the week for any reason other than illness:

“Students taken out during Basic Skills testing week for any reason other than illness will be required to make the tests up. Parents will need to make necessary arrangements with the child’s teacher. A fee of \$25 per hour will be charged to compensate the teacher’s time.”



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
	4/17 – Pizza & Snack - T
4/29 – Hot Dogs and Mac & Cheese Workers: Katie Klingler, Pamela Gonoud, Ariel Babcock, Zuzana Nicoletti	4/24: Pizza & Snack - L
5/6 – Chicken Nuggets & Mashed Potatoes Workers: Sarah Goodwin, Dana Accettulli, Jennifer Dillon, Zuzana Nicoletti	5/1 – Pizza & Snack - T

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED! We need additional volunteers for many upcoming lunches. If we do not have enough workers signed up by the Friday before any given week, **lunch will be cancelled** 😞. [HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE 2025-2026 - Google Sheets](#)

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

MENS BIBLE STUDY

Attention SCS men! We invite you to join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall at Sussex Christian Reformed Church for Men’s Bible Study. We will dive into 1 Timothy 3:1-13 and be discussing church leadership. If you have any questions, contact Anthony Mann at 973-570-3226 or Steve Fox at 862-266-7298. We look forward to seeing you!

FISH & CHIPS DINNER

Frankford Plains UMC Church is having a Fish & Chips Dinner prepared by Tastefully British on **Tuesday, May 5th from 5-7pm.** Homemade coleslaw, sunshine salad, tartar sauce, green beans, rolls and homemade desserts will also be served. Take-outs are available from 5 pm to 6:30 pm. Adults \$20, Kids \$10. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ONLY BY MAY 3RD.** Call 973-702-0334 for reservations.



MONTH	DAY	WEEKDAY(S)	DESCRIPTION	# DAYS
September	1	Tuesday	Teacher In-Service Day	20 Days
	2	Wednesday	First Day of School for Preschool 4, K – 8 th Grade	
	3	Thursday	First Day of School for Preschool 3	
	7	Monday	Labor Day: School Closed	
	17	Thursday	Back-to-School Night: Kindergarten – 8 th Grades	
	19	Saturday	Fall Festival at the Sussex County Fairgrounds	
October	9	Friday	Teacher In-Service Day: School Closed	20 Days
	12	Monday	Columbus Day: School Closed	
November	14	Saturday	Harvest Dinner and Auction	19 Days
	19, 20	Thurs. & Fri.	12:30 pm Dismissal: Parent-Teacher Conferences	
	25	Wednesday	12:30 pm Dismissal: Start of Thanksgiving Break	
	26, 27	Thurs. & Fri.	Thanksgiving Break: School Closed	
December	5	Saturday	Pancake Breakfast Sponsored by Junior High	17 Days
	17	Thursday	Christmas Concert Grades P4 - 8	
	23	Wednesday	12:30 pm Dismissal: Start of Christmas Break	
	24-31	Many 😊	Christmas Break: No School	
January	1	Friday	New Year's Day: School Closed	19 Days
	4	Monday	Classes Resume Session	
	18	Monday	Martin Luther King Day: School Closed	
February	15	Monday	President's Day: School Closed	19 Days
	20	Saturday	Jr. High Pasta Dinner (Snow Date is Feb. 27)	
March	26	Friday	Good Friday: School Closed	19 Days
	29-31	Mon. – Wed.	Spring Break: School Closed	
April	1, 2	Thurs. & Fri.	Spring Break: School Closed	20 Days
	23, 24	Fri. & Sat.	Junior High Play	
	26-30	Mon. - Friday	Standardized Testing Grades 2 & 3	
May	3-6	Mon. – Thurs.	Standardized Testing Week Grades 4 - 8	19 Days
	7	Friday	Teacher In-Service Day	
	13-15	Thurs. – Sat.	8 th Grade Trip	
	20	Thursday	Student Showcase: Grades 3 - 8	
	21	Friday	Walk-a-thon	
	27	Thursday	Spring Musicale Grades P4 - 5	
	28	Friday	Grandparents Day: 12:30 pm Dismissal	
	31	Friday	Memorial Day: School Closed	
June	16	Wednesday	Tentative Last Day of School	12 Days

- **Dates for performances and special events are tentative and subject to change.**
- This calendar allows for 4 emergency closing days. If more than 4 emergency closing days are needed, they will be added to the end of the school year or taken away from Spring Break. If fewer days are needed, they will be taken away from the last week of June.
- The last day of school and the graduation date will be set at the April 2026 School Board meeting.

Sussex Christian School *presents....*



Friday, April 24, 2026 at 7 pm
and
Saturday, April 25, 2026 at 2 pm

Book by
Thomas Meehan

Music by
Charles Strause

Lyrics by
Martin Charnin

Original Broadway Production Directed by **Martin Charnin**

Based on "Little Orphan Annie"® By Permission of Tribune Content Agency, LLC.

***Admission is free, but a good will offering will be taken to support
the Drama program.***

Performances held in the school gymnasium located at
51 Unionville Avenue • Sussex, NJ 07461 • 973-875-5595

Annie JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International,
New York, NY (212) 541-4684 mtishows.com



SUSSEX CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

FRUIT OF THE
Spirit
WALK-A-THON
2026



MAY 8, 2026

RAIN DATE: MAY 11TH

WALK-A-THON FAMILY PRIZES

**item color and logo placement may vary-thank you for understanding*

Tier 1 prize:

YETI 26oz SCS Water Bottle
families who raise
a total of \$500



Tier 2 prize:

SCS GCI Rocker Chair
families who raise
a total of \$1,000

Tier 3 prize:

SCS GCI Rocker Chair
&SCS YETI
families who raise
a total of \$1,500



THE SECRET CASE OF

SHERLOCK HOLMES

\$15
FRIDAY
NIGHT

MAY 15TH @ 7:00 PM
MAY 16TH @ 2:00 PM

\$10
SATURDAY
MATINEE

[OUR.SHOW/VERITAS2026](https://our.show/veritas2026)

Veritas Christian Academy
385 Houses Corner Road
Sparta, NJ 07871

