

# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

September 4, 2013

### Mark Your Calendars:

- Sept 6 School Spirit Day – Students, wear a Shorewood T-Shirt!
- Sept 10 School Board Meeting – agenda will be posted [here](#)
- Sept 26 SHS Open House (aka Parent Night)
- Sept 27 [Senior Photos Due](#)

[Full Year District Calendar](#) - pdf version

[Online Calendar](#) - customizable

### A Note from the Editor

I hope everyone (students, staff and parents) had a great first day of school. I know that I always find the beginning of the school year to be more of a marker of time than January 1; and based on all the first day of school photos I've seen parents post of facebook, I know I'm not alone. I especially enjoy the holiday atmosphere on the first day of school - the parade of strollers and wagons as the younger families head off to the elementary school schools, the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders riding their bikes to SIS, and of course the high schoolers looking like young adults as they march towards SHS. What a pleasure it is to live in a community where we, quite literally, watch our neighbors' children grow up.

This year, my youngest is a senior, so it will be a year of "lasts" for me, which will make me even more sentimental than usual. But, I continue to remind myself that what we do as parents is not only to help our children grow strong roots, but also to learn to soar on their own. We can't be too sad when they actually do it!

Happy first week of school, everyone!

Debbie Eder  
SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

## SHS News & Announcements

### Powerschool Passwords

Powerschool passwords have recently been changed. Look for a letter in the mail with information about your new password.

### Bakers Needed

Would you like to help the high school staff start their months off on the right foot? Volunteer to help bake muffins/coffee cake on the first Monday of each Month. This is a great way to show the staff who work with our children each day how much we appreciate their efforts. There is no need to commit to every month. If you'd like to be a muffin baker, contact Cathy Pinter at [cmpinter@me.com](mailto:cmpinter@me.com).

### College Representative Visits

Colleges and Universities from around Wisconsin and the Country will send representatives (usually admissions officers) to SHS throughout the fall. To sign up to meet with specific representatives, students (juniors and seniors) must get a pass from the Student Support Services Office at least 24 hours in advance. Schools that will be coming in the next few weeks include UW Green Bay, Fairfield, Butler, George Washington, Vanderbilt, Univ of Chicago and more! Check the list often as schools will be added as they call to schedule dates.

To see the list of schools currently on the schedule [log into your Family Connection Account](#) click on “colleges” and then on “view all upcoming college visits”. [If you have not yet registered for a Family Connection Account, click here to learn how to do so.](#)

### **Daily Announcements**

[Daily Announcements](#) are available on the SHS page of the district website.

## **District and Community Announcements**

### **District September Newsletter**

If you missed the email with the District’s September newsletter, it is available on the [district website](#).

### **Shorewood Plein Air Art Festival**

The Village of Shorewood will be hosting its first ever Plein Air Shorewood event from Thursday, September 19th until Saturday, September 21st. The event will feature more than 50 talented artists painting in locations throughout the village. On the night of Saturday, September 21st the paintings will be up for sale during the event's gala/reception/auction at the Village Center/Public Library (located at 3920 N. Murray in Shorewood.)

Artists will also be engaging Shorewood students and families in the plein air art process. On September 12th, there will be a demonstration at Atwater during the school's parent orientation night. On September 18th, art students at Lake Bluff will be working a plein air artist from Wisconsin to learn about the technique. [Download the poster](#).

[For more information about the event, click here.](#)

## **Athletic News and Announcements**

### **Weekly Athletic Update**

Read the [Shorewood Athletics Update: Week of September 2](#), Weekly Athletic Update on the district website.

### **Athletics in the News:**

Read about the opening Messwood football game in [Shorewood Now](#).

Girls swim team faces challenges, looks strong in opener – [Shorewood Now](#)

Boys soccer team wins Eastside Cup – [Shorewood Now](#)

### **Athletic Schedules**

[Athletic Master Calendar](#)

[Individual Team Schedules](#)

## **Past Bulletins, Bulletin Submissions, Etc.**

### **Do You Know Someone Who Should Be Added to this Email List?**

- Current parents and parents of alumni should [use this form](#)
- Community Members and staff should [use this form](#)

### **Past Bulletins and Documents**

To view past bulletins and related documents – visit the parent association website at [www.shsparentassn.com](http://www.shsparentassn.com).

### **Bulletin Submissions**

Send your bulletin submissions to [news.shsparentassn@gmail.com](mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com) or to [Debbie@ederfamily.com](mailto:Debbie@ederfamily.com). Submissions are due by Monday evening for inclusion in that week’s bulletin.

## \*\*\*\*\*Reminders from Prior Weeks\*\*\*\*\*

### **School Supplies**

SHS has posted a [school supply list on the website](#). Classes without specific requirements listed will generally require that students have writing utensils and papers, but specific types/styles may be up to the discretion of the student. In addition, teachers may inform students of additional items needed at the beginning of the semester or as the semester proceeds.

### **Bell Schedules – First Week and Beyond**

**First Week Schedule:** On Wednesday, Sept 4, there will be a regular “Wednesday Schedule”. September 5, 6, 9 and 10 will have altered schedules to accommodate class meetings. See the specifics on page 4 the [school newsletter](#) that was mailed home

**Regular Bell Schedules:** Once each class has had their class meetings, the regular bell schedule will go into effect. You may view [both the Daily Schedule and the Wednesday Schedule here](#).

### **Parents of Athletes – Travel Release Form**

The [SHS Athletic Travel Release](#) form has been updated. Please use the current form if your child will not be riding the team bus any athletic event.

### **Save the Date – SHS Open House**

SHS Open House (a.k.a Parent Night) will be held on Thursday, September 26. The final schedule has not yet been published, but it generally begins with some meet and greet time in the lobby around 5:30 and then parents head to their child’s zero hour class around 6:00 pm, and their 1<sup>st</sup> hour class around 6:15. From there, they will follow their child’s daily schedule throughout the evening.

### **School Year Updates**

An email was recently sent to parents regarding various updates for the coming school year. It included information about the District Wellness Vision & the top priorities – Build Community, Focus on Growth and Transform Learning. It also included information about suicide prevention steps that are continuing to be taken and additional support that will be in place for students to access counselors. If you missed this email, you may read it in the [Miscellaneous E-Newsletters Section of the District Website](#). Click on the August 23 entry titled “2013-2014 School Year Updates”.

### **Best Buddies are Going to Hawaii**

For years our buddies with special needs have watched their peers load buses for Italy, Guatemala and St. Louis over spring break. Now they can have a similar high school experience! During the spring of 2014, the Shorewood High School Best Buddies will be traveling to Hawaii and exploring the ecosystems of the state. The trip will be the culmination of the group's "hands on" Hawaii project as well as applying critical social and travel skills. [View this heartwarming video about the Best Buddies program and the upcoming trip](#), and learn how you might be able to assist.

### **Vaccine Reminders**

If your student is 11 or 12 years old, talk to your doctor about the meningococcal vaccine. If your student is between the ages of 16-18, it might be time to get his/her meningococcal vaccine or booster. Get more info here: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/mening/default.htm> or here: <http://voicesofmeningitis.org/>

### **SHS Students Perform Well on ACT Test**

Once again, SHS students scored well above the state average on the ACT test, while also boasting one of the highest participation rates. [Read more in Shorewood Patch](#).

### **Spotlight on Athletics – Video**

Watch the newest entry in the Shorewood Short Video series. This one highlights [Shorewood Athletics](#) at all levels and is narrated by our new Athletic Director, LeVar Ridgeway.

### **Important Documents**

Are you looking for any of these important documents? If so, click on the links below

[Student/Parent Handbook](#) and/or [Curriculum Handbook](#)

[Activities Code of Conduct](#)

[Athletic Forms](#)

### **District Communications**

[District Blog](#)

[School Board Meeting Recaps](#)

[District Monthly Bulletin "How are the Children"](#)

[District Hiring Updates](#)

[Other District e-news archives](#)

[In the News](#)

### **Raise Money for SEED while You Shop Online**

- Use [GoodSearch.com](#) when doing your online shopping and a money will be donated to the Shorewood SEED Foundation each time you search!
- Use [GoodShop.com](#) when you do your online shopping and a percentage of each purchase will go to the Shorewood SEED Foundation
- To get started, register and select Shorewood SEED Foundation as your charity of choice
- [View the flyer here.](#)