



Weekly Newsletter of
South Charlotte Middle School

September 10, 2021

Happy Friday, South Charlotte Families. Those Carolina blue skies are smiling upon us once again, and I saw lots of happy students enjoying their healthy living time today with the cooler temperature.

We have had a great week of teaching and learning. Students have acclimated to the new school year nicely. I spent time yesterday supervising eighth grade lunch and getting to know more students. Today I spent time supervising sixth grade lunch and thoroughly enjoyed talking with the kids about their interests. They were very interested in mine as well, so we had some great conversation. It's on to seventh grade lunch next week!

I am asking for your help. We have had some carpool traffic along Woodfox for arrival/dismissal, and unfortunately, a few drivers have turned around in neighbors' yards and created damage. Please follow the carpool procedures as they've been communicated, and if the process is too long for you to wait, I invite you to put your child on the school bus. On another note, thank you for changing direction so quickly with the carpool line—it's moving quickly and efficiently. Our number one priority is student safety and the staff supervising carpool is doing an outstanding job. We continue to monitor bus arrivals and departures, and I appreciate your patience when there are delays, due to bus breakdowns or the shortage of drivers.

I hope you all have a great weekend. I know my four dogs are going to finally enjoy a good walk this afternoon on this beautiful day! Thank you for your support and for choosing South Charlotte Middle School. Your partnership is valued.

Dr. Sharon Dougherty

UPCOMING EVENTS

9/14 Football Game 5:00pm Alexander Graham at South Charlotte

9/16 Teacher Workday– No school for students

9/20 Softball and Volleyball 5:00pm Carmel at South Charlotte

Stay informed and follow us on:

scms_pto



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Staff Highlight:
Cassidy Brand
6th Grade Science &
Social Studies

My name is Cassidy Brand.

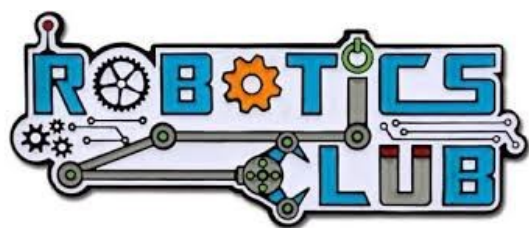
I'm very new to the Charlotte area, I'm from a real small town in the country. I graduated from NCAT! I love sports and almost anything active or competitive lol. I'm also a certified personal trainer! I come from a pretty big family, so I've always been very family oriented. Probably one of the biggest mama & daddy's girl you'd ever meet.



The South Charlotte Robotics Club course will be held during Academic Enrichment each day for the entire school year. In this course, students will have the opportunity to expand their skills in automation, robotics, and coding through projects and competitions.

The content will be hands-on, rigorous, and will require critical thinking skills. Most importantly, we will have fun learning about robotics!

Click [HERE](#) to submit your Robotics Club Application



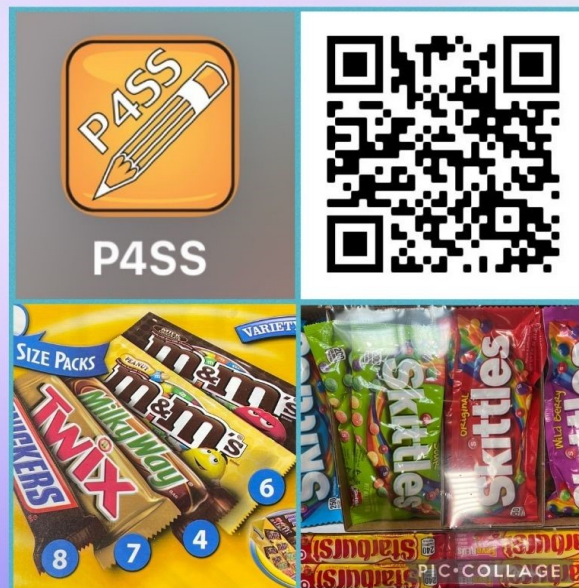
Support your 2021-22 SCMS Shockers as our teams return to the field this Fall!

As a **SCMS Booster Club Member**, your support makes SCMS Sports possible, providing essential equipment, uniforms and supplies for our teams. Give today at Pay4SchoolStuff.com and contact scmiddleboosterclub@gmail.com for volunteer opportunities!
GO SHOCKERS!



CANDY TIME!!!

Everyone who donates to the SCMS Annual Fund will be entered to win a free candy bar! Three winners from each grade will be drawn weekly and announced on the Friday SCMS Morning News.



Do you love to dance and perform for an audience? Join us in AE each day!

HONORS DANCE is still accepting applicants.

**Now open to ALL GRADE LEVELS.
6th, 7th & 8th.**

email Ms. Little
amandas.little@cms.k12.nc.us
or drop by room 206 for more info.





SOUTH CHARLOTTE MIDDLE SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND

This is THE main source of funding for SCMS. In addition to supporting the annual needs of teachers and staff, this year we are specifically raising funds for bike racks, picnic tables, and other external improvements for Healthy Living.

**88 families/staff
have donated!***

If 100 families donated \$100 (\$10,000),
50 families donated \$50 (\$2,500),
50 families donated \$25 (1,250)
and 500 families donated \$10 (\$5,000),
we would meet our goal!

\$30,000!!!

\$25,000

\$20,000

\$15,000

\$14,853*

\$10,000

\$5,000

\$0



To Donate:



To donate, log in to Pay4School Stuff (www.pay4schoolstuff.com) or through the app.

If you prefer to pay with cash or check, please complete the form sent home with your student this week and return along with your donation to your student's homeroom teacher.

Checks Payable to SCMS PTO.

Returned checks \$12 fee

CORPORATE MATCHING:

Check with your employer to see if they will match your donation!

**AS OF
SEPTEMBER 8, 2021**

**49.5% TO
GOAL**

***Through September 8, 2021 (9pm)**



Thank you to the families who have contributed to the
2021 - 2022 Annual Fund!

6th Grade

Sean Allen and Nancy Behrens
Biswas Family
The Buzzard Family
Mr and Mrs. Chriscoe
Wyatt Dayton
Dixon Family
The Gosu Family
The Hedrick Family
The Henderson Family
Jensen 800^o Family
Kalia Family
The Khimji Family
The Kirkland Family
The Laurenzi Family
The Luis Family
Mann Family
The O'Connell Family
The Orchard Family
The Phillips Family
Chris and Emily Potter
Selin and Daniel Roberts
Rothberg Family
The Russell Family
Ryan Family
The Schiffman Family
Chris and Alexis Schwartz
The Stallings Family
The Syed Family
The Waldron Family
The Yang Family

7th Grade

Anonymous
Glenda and Brian Bernhardt
The Bradle Family
The Caulder Family
Noah "Beu" Cole
Dr. Cooke
Eve Dykstra
Ekre Family
The Hadley Family
Kishore and Sowmya Hejmady
The Lusk Family
Diogo Maia
Manjarres Family
Mann Family
The Meador Family
Modine Family
The Ramsey Family
Mike and Jane Roof
The Snyder Family
The Totty Family
Tuz Family
The Waldron Family
The Wilson Family
The Yusko Family

Staff

Blake Gross
Russell LeDonne
Kimberly Ivey

8th Grade

Anonymous
The Antshel Family
The Blackwell Family
Cheryl Brownd
The Evans Family
Gallinek Family
The Garg Family
Mr. and Mrs. Jamey Graves
Padma Gunda
Harding Family
Hutchens Family
The Kumar Family
Manjarres Family
Chelsy Marsh's Family
Alison Roberts
The McHaffie Family
The Milheim Family
Perrone Family
Rao Family
The Reddick Family
The Sandifer Family
Silverstein Family
Marc and Shari Sokolowicz
The Spiegler Family
The Stienecker Family
The Stimart Family
Mike and Andie Taylor
Sarah Tison
The Wallach Family
The Zaidman Family
The Zusi Family

2021-2022 SCMS BACK-TO-SCHOOL FEES

Students will be required to use agenda for school assignments and organization. Chromebook bags are paid for in your fees over your student's three years at South Charlotte. PTO covers the costs in advance.

To complete your order, **PLEASE** pay with credit or debit card on www.Pay4SchoolStuff.com.

Checks payable to SCMS PTO & cash will be accepted if you are unable to go online.

Payments are due Friday, September 3rd.

SCMS REQUIRED Student Fees Fee covers SCMS-required items including lockers, agendas, and Chromebook bags.	\$30
PTO Membership (one membership per family) PTO pays \$600 per year to PTO Today!	\$5
6th Grade Enrichment Fund (6th grade only) Covers cost of grade level celebrations, helps with the cost of field day & special events.	\$15
7th Grade Enrichment Fund (7th grade only) Covers cost of grade level celebrations, helps with the cost of field day & special events.	\$15
8th Grade Enrichment Fund (8th grade only) Covers cost of grade level celebrations, helps with the cost of special events & graduation.	\$20

Annual Fund Donation - Building a Legacy

Platinum (\$750+) Gold (\$500+) Silver (\$250+) Bronze (up to \$250)

Support SCMS PTO by being an Annual Fund Donor. A few examples of what your donations go towards are: gym sound system, landscaping, staff development, classroom support, health room supplies, library books, teacher supplies, hospitality, etc.

Payable online at www.Pay4SchoolStuff.com

SPIRIT WEAR

Show your SCMS pride with new gear from our online store! The online store offers continuous access to sizes, colors, and styles. Multiple color options and personalization are available. Products are delivered to your home or to school for a nominal fee within two weeks of ordering. A portion of the proceeds from the store goes to the SCMS PTO!

Shop now at www.southcharlottemiddlespiritwear.com



Shop on Amazon.com? Please link your purchases to South Charlotte PTO. A percentage of your payments comes directly to our school!



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STAY CONNECTED TO THE PTO!

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INSTAGRAM: SCMS_PTO

SCMS | FAN

South Charlotte Middle School | Fine Arts Network

Is your child taking Art, Band, Chorus, Dance, Drama or Orchestra at any point during the 2021-2022 school year?

If so, there are REQUIRED fees that have to be paid at the beginning of the year. These fees and the support of the Fine Arts Network (FAN) help defray expenses such as art supplies, paper, sheet music, scripts, instruments, costumes, transportation costs, clinics and much more. Thanks to past support, we have an outstanding Fine Arts program with opportunities for students to discover, perform and stretch their creativity! These fees should not stop a student from participating. Please contact your teacher or SCMS counselor if you need support in any way. Scholarships are available and no one should shy away from an opportunity due to funds.

- Fees do not include participation in the musical for drama.
- Additional fees may be required to cover unplanned activities/opportunities (e.g., competitions).

Please visit: www.Pay4SchoolStuff.com to pay your fees online.

Option 1: Become a FAN Patron FAN Patron \$150

If you believe in the power of arts in education, please consider becoming a FAN Patron. When you become a FAN patron, all Fine Arts Fees are covered for the year for one student (class fees and Honors fees)!

Option 2: Class Fees Only

Art	\$30	Honors Art	\$50
Band	\$50	Honors Band/Jazz Ensemble	\$50
Chorus	\$10	Honors Chorus	\$50
Year-round Chorus (7 th , 8 th only)	\$50	Honors Dance	\$50
Dance	\$10	Honors Drama	\$50
Drama	\$10	Honors Orchestra	\$50
Orchestra	\$50		

If you prefer to pay via check, please complete the information below and return your check and the bottom portion of this form to your Fine Arts teacher by SEPTEMBER 20. Make checks payable to SCMS FAN. (one student per form)

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY IN ALL CAPITAL LETTERS

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Circle all that apply: Art Band Dance Drama Chorus Orchestra Honors _____

Fan Patron Year-round Chorus

_____ *Yes! My company matches my contribution (Please attach Gift Form)*

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GOOD TO KNOW

- ◆ South Charlotte is a member of the Southwest Learning Community. (980) 344-7160
- ◆ To report an absence email scms.attendance@cms.k12.nc.us or you may phone the school at 980-343-3670.
- ◆ Online School Payments (OSP) - CMS has provided us with the opportunity to accept payments for school events on-line. It is much like Athletics Pay-to-Play, comes with a fee (4%), and allows you to pay at your convenience. If you choose to pay on-line, it also relieves our teachers from the time taken to do the paperwork and to receipt and turn in money or checks. *Teachers will continue to take cash and checks as they always have.*

Just sign in to: osp.osmsinc.com/CMS

Choose your student's event and homeroom teacher, and make payment.

The teacher and Financial Secretary are sent advisements of your payment.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity. Through the year, events will be added including field trips, textbooks, fees, and other payments.

- ◆ Re-link your Harris Teeter VIC card! Our TIE number is 1933.

http://www.harristeeter.com/community/together_in_education/link_to_your_school.a_spx

- ◆ Need a tutor? Check out our website for a great list.

The **SOUTH CHARLOTTE** Way
Doing the **RIGHT** thing,
All Day *Every Day...*

In compliance with federal law, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools administers all education programs, employment activities and admissions without discrimination against any