



Weekly Newsletter of
South Charlotte Middle School

April 21, 2023

Good Afternoon Parents,

It has been another great week at South Charlotte. Most of our eighth graders left for Washington DC on Tuesday and as I understand, they are having a great time. We look forward to seeing them on Monday.

It is Volunteer Appreciation Week. Thank you to all of you who volunteer each day. Our school is better because of you. We also could not do what we do for students without you. Just this week there were some of you here sprucing up our courtyard. It looks fabulous. There are several events in the next few weeks that require volunteers. Again, we could not make them happen for our students without you. I do have an ask and that is if any of you could proctor for EOG testing and have not signed up, please do so or reach out to our testing director, Jennifer Sweet...jennifer.sweet@cms.k12.nc.us.

It is that time of year when there are many things happening. Students are going on Field trips, sports, performances, and more. I encourage you to encourage your students to stay focused on academics as we are coming to the close of the year.

In our community, there is a lot happening relative to school boundaries which will become effective for the 2025-2026 school year. I encourage you to stay informed as the changes could affect our feeder schools and students who attend South Charlotte could attend different high schools than they do currently. Full details for Draft 2 can be found here: <https://www.cmsk12.org/Page/9342>, including the [Draft 2 presentation](#), an [interactive map](#), FAQs, and more. Please peruse all information and reach out if you should have questions.

Thank you to our car rider families who are ensuring your students are at school on time. We have adjusted some things and it seems the car line is more effective in the morning. It is great to have our students here safe and ready for school beginning at 8:30am each morning.

It is a privilege to serve your students each day.

Lisa Bailes

UPCOMING EVENTS

04/24 Baseball/Soccer HOME VS Southwest @5pm (Girls play first)
04/25 MAP Testing– Reading
04/26 MAP Testing– Math
4/28 8th Grade Dance 7-9pm
05/02 Counselor Coffee Event; Stress at 9am via ZOOM

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8th Grade Promotion



This year's 8th grade Promotion Ceremony will be held at Matthews United Methodist Church (801 S Trade St, Matthews, NC 28105) on June 8th at 10:30am.

Each student will receive only 2 tickets for guests due to the capacity of the venue.

We are working to set up recording or livestream capabilities so that other friends and family can view the event.

Please Check the link below for additional information.

<https://www.cmsk12.org/domain/6445>

SCMS Spring Book Fair

will be here May 1st-5th!

We have a new vendor, **Bedford Falls**, with new selections and some old favorites too!

KidCheck, electronic payment option available, check out below!

Interested in volunteering? Follow this link for the [SignUpGenius!](#)

Bedford Falls

KidCheck



PHS FIELD HOCKEY



JOIN US!!!

INTEREST MEETING FOR FALL 2023 TEAM

Parents & Players



Wednesday, April 26, 2023

PHS Room 140 6:30 p.m.

BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME



phs.fieldhockey.club@gmail.com



[@provfieldhockey](https://www.instagram.com/provfieldhockey)



Attention 8th grade band members who will be attending South Mecklenburg High School next year. Are you interested in joining the marching band? We will be holding an important registration meeting for parents and students on Thursday the 27th at 6 pm in the South Meck E building Cafeteria. This meeting will discuss participation requirements and fill out important forms. To register go to southmeckbands.com or email crystalm.hairston@cms.k12.nc.us

CMS SOUTH COUNTY RELIEF SCHOOL UPDATES: DRAFT 2

CMS is building a new high school as well as proposing a new middle school, in order to relieve overcrowding at middle and high schools in the South County region of CMS. These new schools will impact boundaries for many elementary, middle, and high schools in our area. The CMS Planning Department is working closely with CMS leaders and community workgroups to develop scenarios to share with the impacted communities.

CMS has just released a DRAFT 2 scenario, based on feedback received from Draft 1. This new scenario emphasizes SES diversity as well as staff utilization and building capacities.

Full details for Draft 2 can be found here: <https://www.cmsk12.org/Page/9342>, including the [Draft 2 presentation](#), an [interactive map](#), FAQs, and more.

We encourage SCMS families to carefully review the DRAFT 2 scenario and **provide feedback directly to CMS through this form:** <https://forms.gle/uURI4Biwh2tbNrzs5>.

We also encourage you to attend the one of the 3 remaining meetings this week to learn about the DRAFT 2 Scenarios:

April 20, 12:00 PM - Virtual Presentation (link on CMS website)

April 20, 6:30 PM @ Providence High School

April 21, 12:00 PM - Virtual Presentation (link on CMS website)

A public hearing and final draft will be presented to the Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education on **May 23**, and the CMBE vote will be held on **June 6**.



Parents: It's almost the end of the year. EOG/EOC testing is coming up in May. Please consider volunteering to help proctor. I am hoping by sending this out early you will be willing to take a day or two or three to help at South Charlotte Middle School. Each day will require up to 4 hours of your time. I will do my best to honor your time and release you as soon as possible. With your help, this testing time will run smoothly. Note: You are not allowed to proctor in the same grade level as your child(ren). Please forward on to any family (grandparents, uncles, aunts, friends) who may be willing to help out.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080945A4AC2BA31-eogeoc>

Please make sure you are registered to volunteer; use the link below to register. If you have any questions regarding your volunteer status please email Carrie McKenzie; carriej.mckenzie@cms.k12.nc.us

<https://www.cmsvolunteers.com/>

You are invited to join South Charlotte Middle School on Tuesday, May 16th to watch the Charlotte Knights take on the Scranton Wilkes-Barre Railriders at 7:04PM.

A portion of each ticket sold will support the Athletic Department, and the choir will be performing the National Anthem. We appreciate your support and are excited for you to join us!

<https://fevogm.com/Southcharlotte>





**South Charlotte Middle School would like to invite you to:
a Counselor Coffee with Parents Event**

Topic: Burnout, Stress, and Compassion Fatigue: What are they and how to cope

Presenter: Trent Morrow of L&B Counseling, PLLC

Facilitators: Amanda Jones, Whitney Matthews, & Emma Parkes (SCMS Counselors),

When: May 2nd @ 9:00am for 1 hour

Where: Online Meeting (Zoom Information below)

Presentation will be recorded and posted on SCMS website for those who cannot attend live

Cost: Free

Trent Morrow, our guest speaker from L&B Counseling, will return for another engaging and parent-friendly conversation regarding "Burnout, Stress, and Compassion Fatigue." We will cover important topics such as how to spot, defeat, and prevent burnout from happening; as well as learning the differences between stress, compassion fatigue, and burnout.

Zoom Meeting Information

Topic: Counselor Coffee: Burnout, Stress, and Compassion Fatigue

Time: May 2, 2023 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://cms-k12-nc-us.zoom.us/j/93378021547?](https://cms-k12-nc-us.zoom.us/j/93378021547?pwd=K1U1Q3JlFQnVQYkEzdUhkOU2UjFCdz09)

[pwd=K1U1Q3JlFQnVQYkEzdUhkOU2UjFCdz09](https://cms-k12-nc-us.zoom.us/j/93378021547?pwd=K1U1Q3JlFQnVQYkEzdUhkOU2UjFCdz09)

Meeting ID: 933 7802 1547

Passcode: 150494

Upcoming PTO items:

Beautification had a planting day on Thursday April 20th. Thank you Scott, Catherine, Ms. Kissmann, and 8th grade students for your help!

Spring Book Fair runs May 1st-5th! New vendor, Bedford Falls, with new selections and old favorites! Contact Lauren Stroupe at laurenboone81@yahoo.com for additional information or how to help!

Nominating Committee is preparing for upcoming Executive Board elections and posting of committee openings for 2023-2024 school year. There are many opportunities to help with a lot can be done from home and by parents that work part-time to full-time. Please email scmsptonominating@gmail.com for more information.

6th grade is collecting any color or size tabs from drink cans, soup, or pet food cans. You can send them to school and there are collection bins in each 6th grade classroom. Please email tiffanymacomson@gmail.com with any questions.

8th Grade Dance - April 28, 2023!

STAFF FAVORITES are now on the SCMS PTO website. This is a great resource when you want to thank or show your appreciation to any teacher or staff member at SCMS.

[SCMS Staff Favorites.](#)

Scroll until you see SCMS Staff Favorites.





Mecklenburg County
Park and Recreation

ARBOR GLEN OUTREACH CENTER

PRESENTS

GAME

nights



*A night for
Fun*



When: Monday's

Times: 5:30pm-7:00pm

Ages: 10-14

Cost: Free

Where: 1520 Clanton Road

HAVE FUN PLAYING VIDEO GAMES
AND TRADITIONAL GYM PE GAMES



Registration Steps :

Step 1: GO TO PARKANDREC.COM

**Step 2: CLICK "ACTIVITIES", REGISTER
ONLINE**

**Step 3: SEACH KEYWORD #139220 For
April. #139221 For May. ADD TO CART
AND CHECK OUT.**

**MORE INFORMATION:
980-314-1110**

SOUTH CHARLOTTE MIDDLE SCHOOL

8040 Strawberry Lane

Charlotte, NC 28277 Phone: 980-343-3670 Fax: 980-343-3725



GOOD TO KNOW

- ◆ South Charlotte is a member of the South 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

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

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