# UPCOMING EVENTS

09/19 6th Grade Curriculum Night 6:30pm 09/20 7th & 8th Grade Curriculum Night 09/20 Early Release Day 09/21 Fall Picture Day 09/21 HOME Volleyball/Softball game @5pm 09/27 Sports Picture Day

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## Meet our Student Services Team:

Amanda Jones – 6th Grade Counselor

Emma Parkes— 7th Grade Counselor

Whitney Matthews— 8th Grade Counselor

# Smportant INFORMATION [NEW] CELL PHONE POLICY

Student use of personal cell phones and electronic devices is prohibited during the school day. Please refrain from repeatedly calling and/or texting your child during the school day. South Charlotte has ample school phones available for student use. Students may not use cellular telephones, or other electronic devices (e.g., laser pointers and attachments, personal digital assistants and other devices designed to receive and send an electronic signal, Ipads, etc) during the school day for personal use. Students arriving at homeroom at 8:15 a.m. until dismissal at 3:30 p.m. constitutes the school day. This policy applies, but is not limited to, restrooms and common areas, such as the gymnasium and cafeteria. Students and parents/guardians are expected to read and understand the policy regarding the use of cell phones and electronic devices.

Consequences for violation of cell phone policy (CMS Code of Conduct, Rule 5; UB: Cell Phone Use)

1st Offense

(First 10 Days): Students will be reminded daily in the first ten days of school about the cell phone policy, SCMS staff will consider the first 10 days as the verbal warning

2nd Offense: Cell phone confiscated for parent pick-up in main office

3rd Offense: Cell phone confiscated for parent pick-up in main office

Student "checks in" cell phone upon arrival in the main office for the following week 4th Offense: Student not permitted to bring personal technology on campus for the remainder of the academic year.

Office referral, In-School Suspension 1-3 days

5th Offense: Student not permitted to bring personal technology on campus for the remainder of the academic year.

Office referral, Out-of-School Suspension consideration

School personnel will not be responsible for conducting a search for lost or stolen cell phones or electronic devices.

## **EARLY DISMISSAL**

Parents must send a note stating the student's name, time and reason for dismissal. The student is to bring the early release request to the *main office* when they arrive at school. Failure to turn in a note will result in an extended delay while waiting for your child. Your student will meet you in the front office at the time requested. If you do not come for your child at the time requested, the student will be sent back to class. If you arrive after 2:15pm to pick up your child, you will be asked to wait until afternoon announcements for your child to come up.

## DRESS CODE

Students at South Charlotte Middle School are expected to continue a tradition of appropriate dress for school and school-related events. The following should be used as guidelines for what is considered acceptable school attire.

- Clothing must completely cover all undergarments and may not expose any part of the midsection (no core exposed, hem of the shirt overlap waistband), or bust. Sheer or see-through clothing that also exposes these areas or shows undergarments through fabric is not permitted.
  - Halter top, tube tops, and spaghetti straps are not permitted.
  - Pants/shorts/skirts must be worn unrolled, at the natural waistline, and securely fastened.
- Skirts, shorts, and dresses should be reasonable in length, using palm length (bottom of your palm to fingertips) as a general rule.
  - Shoes are required at all times.
- No abusive, suggestive or profane language, symbols of illegal drugs, or any other words, symbols or slogans on clothing or jewelry that disrupt the learning environment.
  - Athletic uniforms worn to school must conform to dress code.
  - Jeans/pants with tears or holes above palm length must have an article of clothing beneath, like leggings/tights.
    - Pajama pants, blankets, bedroom slippers, "scrubs", or other loungewear are not permitted.
      - Undergarments should not be visible.
        - Hats and hoods are not permitted.
          - Bandanas are not permitted.

All students will be responsible for following the dress code as established by South Charlotte Middle School and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. Student dress or grooming that is deemed by the staff as disruptive or inappropriate is not permitted. Failure to comply with the dress code will result in disciplinary action.

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We can then contact you when help is needed for the areas you selected.

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- -Beautification
  - -Book Fair
- -Grade Level Teams
  - -Hospitality
  - -Media Center
  - -School Store,
    - -Spirit Wear
      - -Yearbook

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#### **READY TO HELP OUT AT SCMS?**

Complete the PTO Volunteer Form to have your name added to select PTO committees, so we can contact you when help is needed:

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- South Charlotte is a member of the South Learning Community. (980) 344-7160
- ◆ To report an absence email <a href="mailto:scms.attendance@cms.k12.nc.us">scms.attendance@cms.k12.nc.us</a> 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.

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