

April 19, 2022

Dear South Charlotte Families:

It is Tuesday, and we're putting out the Shockwave early due to the 8th grade trip to DC, which begins tomorrow. Alison Roberts and Carrie McKenzie, our front office secretaries, will be on the trip with their daughters. Diana Roulette, our data manager, will be greeting you in the front office through Friday afternoon this week. You will most likely see others helping Diana and we ask that you be patient with all of us.

We welcome Jennifer McKinstry to our team as of April 25th. She is our new senior administrative secretary, replacing Paris Baker, who has gone to work for Bank of America. I am truly appreciative of Ms. Baker in keeping all things financial moving in the right direction. Ms. McKinstry is joining us from Randolph Middle School, where she served as the senior administrative secretary for the last several years.

We are in the home stretch now that spring break is behind us. I hope that you all had a great week. The testing calendar has been communicated by Ms. Young in this Shockwave, and I am making a personal request for volunteers to be proctors during any of the days of testing. We are appreciative of any time you could give to support testing. The state now requires that a proctor be placed in every classroom where testing is taking place.

We wish our 8th graders well as they head to Washington, DC tomorrow morning bright and early at 5 am. We have a group going to a robotics competition on Friday under the direction of Mr. Hecht. Make your plans now to attend the musical under the direction of Ms. Binder. So many great things are happening at South Charlotte Middle!

Sincerely,

Dr. Sharon Dougherty

Interim Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

04/20 Boys Baseball and Soccer VS Carmel @ SCMS 5pm
04/21 Boys Baseball and Soccer VS Crestdale @ SCMS 5pm
04/20-22 8th Grade DC Trip

04/27 Baseball and Soccer (Boys and Girls) VS Community House 5pm04/28-30 Spring Musical 7-9pm

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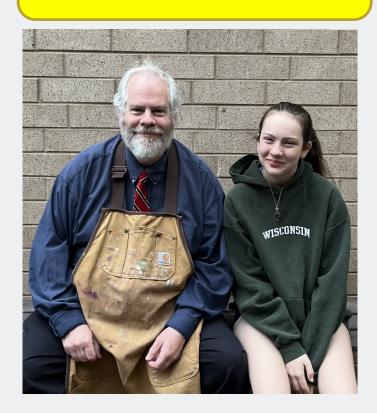
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Staff Highlight:

Ted Cooke Art Teacher



I was born in Norwalk, CT and I learned to love art from my mother, who sat beside me well into the night, working on school science and art projects and who took me around the corner to see new exhibits at the Silvermine Art Guild. My father was my hero. A mathematician, chemist, and inventor, he died with over twenty-five patents to his name. I grew up with four loving, talented funny sisters--a chemist, a musician, a philosophy professor, and a Wall Street accountant. They now take great care of my mother.

I have a BA, MA, and PhD in Philosophy from U. of Scranton, U. of Dayton and Marquette University respectively, but I have extensive training in drawing, anatomy, painting, printmaking, ceramics, and sculpture from UNC Charlotte, CPCC, and Winthrop.

My wife is Penny Felker, an MSW and BSN who works for the behavioral health units of Presbyterian (Novant) hospital. She makes everything in my life beautiful and fulfilling. My son, Teddy, is a graduating senior at Providence HS who will attend UNC Wilmington for Biology. The cute girl sitting next to me is my sweet daughter, Elizabeth, who likes all the arts and sciences, but especially prose and poetry.

As you can see, I have many great women in my life that made me who I am. Included on that list is Mrs. Lisa Bailes, who hired me ten years ago. When she returns, after these rough two years, she will be a sight for our sore eyes.

End of Year Testing:

Planning for End of Year testing is underway. Each test session requires a test administrator (the homeroom teacher) and a proctor. Please consider volunteering. We welcome parents, grandparents, neighbors...all. Here is some helpful information:

Volunteers must be a CMS volunteer. Please contact Ms. McKenzie if you have questions about CMS volunteer process. (carriej.mckenzie@cms.k12.nc.us)

- 10-minute training is provided the morning of testing in the Media Center. If you volunteer on multiple days, you do not need to be trained each day.
- Check in in the Media Center on the morning of your volunteer day for training and to find out volunteer location.
 - Sign-up through Sign-up Genius. See link below.
- Proctors cannot volunteer in the same testing session as their child. In the sign-up genius, please indicate the grade level and last name of your child, if you are a relative.
 - Please note that our needs on some days are larger than other days. Thursday May 26 and Thursday June 2 are days when we are testing both 6th and 7th grade so we need 16 proctors on each of those days.

Email Kim Young (<u>n.young@cms.k12.nc.us</u>) if you have questions.

We are grateful for our supportive South Charlotte Middle community. Thank you for considering to volunteer.

SIGN UP here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA9AC2DA0FD0-eogtesting



EOG Testing Volunteers

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!

www.signupgenius.com

End of Year Testing Schedule:

Schedule for End of Year testing:

Wednesday, May 25 - Math 8 End of Grade Exam
Thursday, May 26 - Math 6 and Math 7 End of Grade Exams
Friday, May 27 - Math 1 End of Course Exam
Wednesday, June 1 - Reading 8 End of Grade Exam
Thursday, June 2 - Reading 6 and 7 End of Grade Exams

South Charlotte Middle School Presents:



Music by Zina Goldrich Book and Lyrics by Marcy Heisler

April 28th & 29th at 7:00 p.m. April 30th at 2:00 p.m.

Purchase tickets with reserved seats starting Thursday!

https://scms-musical.ticketleap.com

Tickets will be available online until the night before each show. Remaining tickets will be sold at door. Tickets are \$10.

Tickets open to the public on THURSDAY.

"If you are on a mobile or tablet device you won't be able to select your exact seat numbers but "Find Best Seats Available" will give you the option to sit left or right of the stage. Or you can select seat numbers by viewing the website on a computer.

South Charlotte Middle School Presents:



In beautiful Paw Paw, Michigan, all of the neighborhood kids go to Edwina Spoonapple's house for the Dear Edwina Show, a weekly episode, where people from around town send letters to Edwina in hopes of getting her advice on topics such as "picky eaters," "saving money", "setting the table," "making friends," and "true love." Edwina shares her advice through fun songs from characters like Susie and the Napkins, the Queen of Boolah Boolah, Chef Ludmilla and Fairy Forkmother, and Mary Sue Betty Bob. Edwina's dream is to be discovered by a talent scout so that she can star in the famous Kalamazoo Advice-A-Palooza Festival!!

Take our advice and join us for this funny and heartwarming production!



SCMS BAND STUDENT SELECTED FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA ALL STATE JAZZ BAND

The 2022 North Carolina All State Jazz Band Virtual Auditions were held in March. There are three jazz regions in North Carolina: Western Jazz Region (our region), Eastern Jazz Region and Central Jazz Region. After an extremely competitive audition with the top selected jazz students from each region, Julia Pearce was selected 2nd chair trumpet in the North Carolina All State Jazz Band! She participated in the All State Jazz Band Clinic (rehearsals and concert) on Friday, April 8 and Saturday April 9 at North Carolina State University. Julia shined as she performed several improvised solos with the All State Jazz Band! She represented South Charlotte Middle School, Western Jazz Region, NCMEA Jazz and her family amazingly well!

Congratulations to Julia Pearce as we are very proud of her!





Classroom Highlights:

Eighth grade ELA students from Ms. Hurst's and Ms. McCracken's classes visited the library (Bistro 8040) today for a book "tasting". They were able to sample books from different genres and rate how they liked the books. Students read the first five pages from four different books and were able to check out the book if they wanted to finish it.



















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- To report an absence email <u>scms.attendance@cms.k12.nc.us</u> 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.

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