

Sanford Creek Families,

We are steadily moving along the first quarter of the '21-22 school year. It's hard to believe that we are on week 6 for tracks 1 & 2. I continue to be so proud of SCE students and staff as they adapt, realign, and make course changes on the daily. We have a phenomenal school community where "from here, anything is possible". As always, thank you for supporting SCE!

Tiffany Rich, Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 16	Virtual PTA Meeting, 6pm (email scepta@outlook.com for the link to attend)
August 18	Boosterthon DanceFit Event for Tracks 1 & 2
August 17	Beginning of Grade (BOG) Test for Grade 3, Track 4 only
August 19	Beginning of Grade (BOG) Test for Grade 3 - Virtual Academy students only
August 19	Boosterthon Fundraiser Kick-Off for Tracks 3 & 4
August 20	Track 2 track out (Aug 23-Sept 10)
August 23	Welcome Back Track 3!
August 23	Summer/Extended Learning for Track 2 begins
August 31	Boosterthon DanceFit Event for Tracks 3 & 4

COVID-19 SAFETY PRACTICES UPDATE

To continue to maintain safe learning environments, WCPSS has made updates to safety practices. Many of these practices are already in place for students at Sanford Creek. Changes go into effect today, August 16.

- For everyone over the age of 4, face coverings are required indoors in schools, on school-provided transportation, including school buses, activity buses, and vendor transportation. *For Pre-K students, face coverings are strongly recommended for ages 3-4 and required for age 5. **Face coverings remain optional outdoors.***
- If your student experiences an illness that **does not include COVID-19 symptoms**, it's now easier for them to return to school quicker. **For these illnesses, we're returning to pre-pandemic health practices: Students can return to school when they are fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medication for 24 hours.** [Learn more about returning to school after an illness.](#)
- Safety practices for eating on campus are being strengthened. Sanford Creek continues to utilize assigned seating during meals. This practice of grouping students will help reduce the number of students required to quarantine if a student in their class becomes infected. Face coverings are required except for the time when students are specifically eating. We will continue to practice safe socializing while in the cafeteria. Students are sitting side by side - facing the same direction. We do not utilize "silent lunch"; however, students are encouraged to eat first, then replace their mask to safely socialize.
- All homerooms will return to assigned areas/zones at recess. Students will continue to play freely outdoors; however, students from other homerooms on the grade level will not mix.

During the school day, if any student complains of not feeling well and is experiencing any of the symptoms below, a parent will be called to immediately pick him/her up.

- fever or chills,
- sore throat,
- a new cough,
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing,

- new loss of taste or smell,
- diarrhea or vomiting,
- severe headache, especially with a fever.

It is critical for sick students to stay home under the following circumstances:

- They are feeling sick or experiencing any symptom of illness, unless the individual has a confirmed diagnosis from a healthcare professional attributing the symptoms to something other than COVID-19.
- They have been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the past 10 days.
- They have been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 within the past 2 weeks and have not met the requirements to return to school.

NEWS FROM CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

Café menus will be available on our interactive website, [MealViewer](#). On the [MealViewer](#) website, families can:

- Set up multiple profiles at the schools of your choice
- See any menu changes posted by the manager at each site
- Choose menu items based on allergens
- View nutrients for each menu item
- Add nutrients for meals eaten, even partial meals
- Submit ratings on your favorite items
- Print menus

AIG ANNOUNCEMENTS

Questions? Contact: Tammy Garland, 919-570-2100 ext 20231 tgarland@wcpss.net

Third Grade Only: BOG (Beginning of Grade) Test

Track 4 - Aug 17

Track 4 VA - coming in to building - Aug 19

5th Grade Fall AIG Nomination Windows and Test Dates

Track 1 - Window for FALL nominations closes August 20.

Tracks 2, 3, 4 - Window for FALL nominations closes September 17

Please complete the following form for each nomination: <https://forms.gle/wkE7dXEVuaiTkgr5>

5th CogAt/IOWA Testing (Nominated Students Only):

Track 1 - August 30 - Sept 3 @ 11-11:45

Tracks 2-4 = Sept 20 - 24 @ 11-11:45

ALL 3rd Grade CogAt Test

Track 4 - Sept 21, 22, 23

Tracks 1-3 - October 5, 6, & 7

3rd Grade IOWA (Those scoring 85th percentile or higher on CogAT)

Tracks 1 & 2 - November 3 & 4

Tracks 3 & 4 - December 7 & 8

PTA NEWS

Tracks 1 and 2 kicked off the Sanford Creek Dance Fit last week! We had a blast! Thank you for working with us to make our school stronger. We are grateful for your support!

Our goal is to raise \$14,500 for Cultural arts and student-centered programs. We are making great progress towards our goal, but we still need your help! Here is a quick [video overview of our fundraising program](#).

Log on to [MYBOOSTER.COM](https://mybooster.com) today and enter your family's details.

We are working hard to make this fundraiser safe, fun, and successful for everyone!

Register on [MYBOOSTER.COM](https://mybooster.com)

PTA MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to everyone who joined PTA for 2021-2022. A friendly reminder that all PTA memberships for last school year have expired and need to be renewed each year.

Here is a link to our website to do it online:

<https://sanford-creek-elementary-pta.square.site/>

We hope you can join us for our board elections at our **virtual meeting on TONIGHT 8/16 at 6pm**. Please email scepta@outlook.com for the link to join the meeting.