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REMEMBER THIS



Hot lunch is available Tuesday–Friday. Forms are posted Fridays on the website and ClassDojo. Please return with payment on Monday. Contact the front office for your child's balance.



PAY TUITION

Tuition can be paid online via ACH/check through Adventist School Pay on our website. Credit cards are accepted but include a 5% fee. You may also use this option to add funds to your student's hot lunch account.

PAY NOW



SUPPORT & SHOP



October
31



STUDENT SABBATH!

Student Sabbath is coming soon, and we're excited for ALL our students to participate on October 31 at SGS church (across the street). Please be seated in the sanctuary by 10:50 am. Students should wear concert attire (plain black bottoms, plain white top).

HANDBELL FUNDRAISER

The bells have been inspected, and we are so thankful to report that they are in great shape! The most expensive replacement parts are covered under warranty, and so we are lowering our goal to \$7,500! Many thanks to Mr. Herra for driving them to Pennsylvania and saving us shipping costs as well! We hope to be picking up the bells by Thanksgiving, so we will be wrapping up our fundraiser soon. We appreciate any final donations in the next few weeks!"

BLACK SCHOOL T-SHIRT

If you purchased a black school T-shirt from ABC Apparel and the print is peeling off, please take your T-shirt back to the store. They will remake it for you.

SOCCER & BASKETBALL

Congratulations Panthers we made it to 2nd place in our soccer season! Go Panthers! Now is basketball season, Let's get ready. We will start practice tomorrow, Thursday, from 3 - 5 pm.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Tomorrow's conferences will be for Grades 6–8. If you still need to sign up, please do so through ClassDojo. If you are unable to attend your scheduled time, please contact your child's teacher to arrange another meeting.

SPIRIT DAY

Get ready to match with a friend for Twin Day on Nov 10. Students who choose not to participate must wear their regular school uniform.

THANKSGIVING LUNCH

We will have our annual Thanksgiving lunch on Nov 20 at 11:00 am. The cost is \$5 per person. Students and staff eat free!

THANKSGIVING NOTES

Noon Dismissal: Nov 20; no aftercare.
Thanksgiving Break: Nov 23 - 27. School resumes after Thanksgiving break on November 30.

GCA ANNOUNCEMENTS

GCA Fall Festivals:

GCC Choral Festival | Jan. 28–29: Grades 7–8. SGS will provide transportation. Students will join sister schools for a combined choral ensemble experience.

Academy Days | Feb. 12–13: Grades 7–11.

Parents are responsible for transportation. Students can meet teachers and get to know GCA.

HOT LUNCH

Please check your student's hot lunch and snack account and take care of any balance. Balances can be checked in the front office. Payments may be made by cash, check, card, or online through Adventist School Pay.

Please remember that this account is separate from your tuition account. Thank you for helping us keep this program running!

happy BIRTHDAY October

AJ (9)

LIAM BRONSON (10)

JOSEPH (16)

AIDEN (16)

RUSSELL (22)

DANTE (22)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 31 - Student Sabbath
- Nov 6 - Pathfinder Teen Challenge
- Nov 10 - Spirit Day "Twin Day"
- Nov 20 - Thanksgiving Lunch
- Nov 20 - Noon Dismissal (No Aftercare)
- Nov 23 - 27: Thanksgiving Break
- Nov 30 - Back to School
- Dec 4-5: Pathfinder Junior Event
- Dec 8 - Christmas Concert
- Dec 12 - Adventurer Club Induction
- Dec 15 - Christmas Concert Makeup
- Dec 18 - Spirit Day/Christmas Outfits & Noon Dismissal



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SPOTLIGHTS



SOCCKER SEASON! SECOND PLACE

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

As students grow in independence, another important skill is learning when and how to speak up for themselves.

Whether it's asking for clarification on an assignment, navigating a friendship concern, or expressing when something feels overwhelming, learning to communicate their needs helps students build confidence.

Here are a few simple phrases to practice at home:

- "Can you explain that another way?" when something doesn't make sense.
- "I've tried, but I'm still having trouble." when they need additional support.
- "Can I talk to you about something?" when something is bothering them.

For parents, consider encouraging your child to take the first step in communicating with a teacher or trusted adult when appropriate. A little guidance and practice at home can make those conversations feel less intimidating.

Remember: Independence doesn't mean figuring everything out alone. Knowing when to ask for help is a strength, too!

Warmly,
Mrs. Sam