

## Message from the Principal

### Dear SVAE Families,

Happy New Year! As we step into 2026 together, my prayer is that this year brings renewed hope, steady growth, and many moments where God's faithfulness shines clearly in the lives of our students and families. We are grateful to begin another year partnering with you in nurturing hearts and minds for Christ.

### MAP Testing

Over the next three weeks, our students will be participating in MAP Testing. Your support makes a tremendous difference. Please help your child do their best by ensuring they get plenty of rest each night and enjoy a nutritious breakfast each morning. A calm, healthy start to the day truly sets them up for success.

### Report Cards

Report cards were sent home today, Friday, January 9. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate progress, talk through goals, and encourage your child as we move into the second half of the school year. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher.

Thank you, parents, for your continued support, prayers, and partnership. SVAE is blessed because of the strong, caring community we share.

Warmly,  
Jacqueline Powell-Long  
Principal, SVAE

### Upcoming Calendar Events:

January 10-11	Middle School Basketball Tournament
January 12-30	MAP testing
January 12	Girls Basketball game @ Front Royal @ 6:30 p.m., Boys @ 7:30 p.m.
January 19	Martin Luther King Jr. Day/No School
January 20	Girls Basketball game @ Vienna @ 6:30 p.m., Boys @ 7:30 p.m.
January 24	Vespers, Movie Night, Open Gym Counts as School Day 5p.m.-9 p.m.
January 28	Girls Basketball game @ SVAE @ 6 p.m., Boys @ 7 p.m.
January 29	Visitor's Day
January 29	Girls Basketball game @ SHA @ 5 p.m., Boys @ 6:15 p.m.
February 2	Girls Basketball game @ EMS @ 4:30 p.m., JV Boys @ 5:30p.m., Varsity Boys@ 6:30 p.m.
February 3	Girls Basketball game @ SVAE @ 6 p.m., Boys @ 7 p.m.
February 4	Parent/Teacher Conference/No School
February 5	Ski Day/12 p.m. Dismissal
February 6	Career Day
February 16	President's Day/No School

### Inclement weather closing/delays

We use WHSV to list our closings and delays. Please visit them via TV or their website. An easy way to do this is to visit our website, [svaelementary.org](http://svaelementary.org), and click on the WHSV School Closings & Delays link under the family resource tab. If you do not see our school's name on the list, then school is in session. If school status changes from delay to closed, it will be posted on the WHSV website. We will also send parent-alert text messages for school closings/delays. If you are not receiving them, please stop by the office to ensure that we have your correct phone number. **If you feel that the roads are too treacherous for you to travel to school safely, please keep your child at home, or bring him/her when the roads are clear.**

Absences & tardies can be excused for weather related issues.

### SCSL Spring 2026 Soccer

**Registration:** It is time to start thinking about Spring 2026 Soccer Registration which opens December 1 and goes through February 10. Don't forget that the SCSL online system ([www.shenandoahcountysoccerleague.com](http://www.shenandoahcountysoccerleague.com)) allows you to pay online, keep track of your family's teams/schedule, and easily re-register your players on a season-to-season basis. The earlier you sign up, the better so that we can know whether we'll have enough for multiple age-group teams.

### **Practice Schedule 1/12-1/16**

#### Bell Ensemble

3:30-4:30 Tuesday & Thursday

#### Basketball Practice

#### Girls' Basketball Practice

Coached by Reginald Long

Mondays @ 3:30-5:00

Wednesdays @ 5:00-6:30

#### Boys' Basketball Practice

Coached by Jake FitzGerald

Monday @ 5:00-6:30

Wednesday @ 3:30-5:00

### **Help our school with the following rewards programs:**

#### **Box Tops for Education**

Use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10 cents for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

### **BIRTHDAY CALENDAR**

#### January

17-Irie Rodriguez

18-Mr. VandeVere

20-Kaden Holsinger

21-Manney Waller-Long

22-Mrs. Cristian

23-Grace Mihalache

31-Mrs. Reinoehl

#### February

1-Charlotte Wilson

2-Oliver Black

3-Mrs. Reedy

5-Chance Osborne

13-Joshua Long

23-Tilden Carper

#### March

11-James Baires

16-Yahru Clarke

18-Mila Little

22-Benjamin Cristian

22-Skyler Madsen

23-Caleb Richardi

#### Hot Lunch Menu

1/13 - 1/17

Monday –Burgers and fries

Tuesday – Hotdogs, chips and peaches (PFE fundraiser)

Wednesday – Subs, chips and fruit (Bells fundraiser)

Thursday – Pizza, salad, and applesauce (8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser)

Friday – No hot lunch 12pm dismissal

We are pleased to offer healthy options that will include fresh fruits & vegetables, whole grains and fewer processed foods.

Small=\$5.50 (Available for Pre-K – 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Large=\$6.50 (Available for Pre-K – Adult)

Lunches need to be prepaid (for the day or the week) in the main office.



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