



Sherando High School

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IMPORTANT DATES

Homecoming Week
September 11 – 16

October 13
Senior Portraits
Last Chance

October 19
End of 1st Quarter

October 20 & 23
No School / Teacher Work Days

November 7
No School / Election Day



SHERANDO HOMECOMING 2017

Sherando's Homecoming Week will run
Monday, September 11 through Saturday, September 16.

Homecoming spirit days are:

Monday, September 11	'Murica Day
Tuesday, September 12	Tie Dye Day
Wednesday, September 13	College Day
Thursday, September 14	Class Colors Day
	Seniors: Black / Juniors: Red
	Sophomores: Grey / Freshmen: Blue
Friday, September 15	Red & Black Spirit Day

DECA Powder Puff Football Game –
Monday, September 11 at 6:30 pm

Homecoming Parade –
Thursday, September 14 at 6:30 pm

Homecoming Football Game vs Loudoun Valley –
Friday, Sept. 15 at 7 pm

Homecoming Dance –
Saturday, Sept. 16 from 7-10 pm





Guidance News



School is off to a good start and we are all settling into the new school year. Your students should have schedules that reflect their requirements and elective choices. If you have any concerns or questions about your student's schedule, please call the counselor. Below is the list of counselors and the alphabet caseload they serve:

Mrs. Longoria - A - DeHaven
Mr. Ruddek - Deignan - Irby
Mrs. Thompson - Ireland - Orndorff
Mrs. Jeran - Orrison - Sturgis
Mrs. Potter - Summers - Z

Important Dates

September 27th - College Fair at the Apple Blossom Mall 6:00-8:00

October 11th - PSAT at Sherando 8:00 a.m. Students must register in September.

October 18th - Financial Aid Night at Sherando Auditorium 6:30. Geared for senior and junior parents and students.

Seniors - The counselors will be visiting the seniors in Government classes on September 11th and 12th to present information on post graduation plans including college applications, sending transcripts, financial aid, military information and employment resources. Throughout September and October, counselors will also meet with each senior individually to discuss what is needed for graduation and help with any questions the student may have. Parents will receive a "Credit Slip" in the mail outlining what their student needs to graduate this year.

Tips for making the college application process easier are to have your student:

- Beware of social media. Future employers and colleges may check your posts.
- Set up a Parchment account **now** to send transcripts (parchment.com).
- See Mrs. White in Guidance at least 15 days prior to the college deadline to have their transcript sent.
- Start the college applications soon - don't wait until the last minute.
- Pay close attention to application due dates and make the goal to be finished with everything 3 weeks before the deadline.
- Get someone to proofread their essays.
- Line up their references early.
- Fill out the FAFSA after October 1st (Free Application For Federal Student Aid).

Juniors - The counselors will be visiting juniors in US History classes on October 17th and 18th to present information about getting ready for senior year and beyond. Parents will receive a "Credit Slip" in the mail outlining what your student needs to graduate the following year. Juniors who are planning to take the SAT or ACT should sign up in September to take the PSAT on October 11th.

Tips for juniors:

- Make good grades.
- Do some community service.
- Think about what you want your post graduation plan to look like.
- Utilize our Career Coach, Mr. Bucher, for help with career planning.
- Beware of social media. Future employers and colleges may check your posts.

Sophomores - Counselors will meet with sophomores individually in the second semester. More information on that will appear in a later newsletter.

Tips for sophomores:

- Make good grades.
- Get involved in a school activity.
- Think about your interests and how they might relate to a career.
- Beware of social media. Future employers and colleges may check your posts.

Freshman - Counselors will meet with freshman in PE and Health classes presenting information on how to achieve success in high school and other fundamentals about high school and careers. These meetings will occur later in the fall and winter.

Tips for freshmen:

- Make the best possible grades.
- Get involved in a school activity.
- Beware of social media. Future employers and colleges may check your posts.

PSAT Registration will begin September 5th in the Guidance Office:

Students interested in taking the PSAT can register to take the test in the Guidance office starting September 5th. Payment is required at the time of registration. The cost of the test this year is \$16.00. Checks should be made payable to Sherando High School. If you are paying in cash please have exact change. Fee Waivers are available for juniors that qualify for free/reduced lunch. The test will be administered on the morning of Oct. 11th at Sherando. There is no makeup date for the PSAT. Space is limited so interested students are encouraged to register early. Students should see Ms. Hoffman or Ms. Hansen in the guidance office before school, during their study hall period, or after school to register for the test. **The deadline to register is September 21st.**

For more information on the PSAT go to:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>



- Federation Leadership Workshop: Tuesday, September 19th at Signal Knob Middle School. Sign-Up sheet located on the FFA board
- Supporters of FFA Fundraiser: Please see an Agriculture Teacher for order forms, Orders due by September 8th, Pick up meals on September 15th at Aylor Middle School, all proceeds benefit the FFA chapter
- September Meeting: Yard Party at Sherando High School Agriculture Department on September 21st from 6-8pm
- National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN, October 25th through 28th
- Current FFA CDEs (contests): Dairymen's, Tractor Troubleshooting, Tractor Operators, Small Engine Troubleshooting, Milk Quality and Products, Veterinary Science, Crops, Forestry, Horticulture Demo, Agriscience Demo



Important News from FCPS

Apply to Participate in FCPS 101

Frederick County Public Schools is launching a community engagement program called FCPS 101. The program will provide parents and others with an opportunity to learn about Frederick County Public Schools and its operations, including instructional and administrative services. Individuals interested in participating in FCPS 101 must submit the application form by Friday, September 15. The application and additional details about the program is available on the school division's website- www.frederick.k12.va.us.

FCPS Mobile App Now Available

Frederick County Public Schools has launched a custom mobile app that provides students, parents, staff and members of the community with instant access to a variety of school and division information. The new app is available at no cost from Apple's App Store or Google Play. Information that will be delivered through the app includes news, school calendars, student grades and assignments through Parent/Student 360, breakfast and lunch menus and bus routes. In addition, users can access MySchoolBucks to pay various school fees or add funds to a student's cafeteria account through the app.



Apple Mobile App QR Code



Google Play Mobile App QR Code

Speak Up, Stay Safe

Keeping schools safe is everyone's responsibility. If you see suspicious activity, report it to school staff and the authorities. Suspicious activity may include: a vehicle or individual in an odd or concealed location; an unattended package or backpack; individuals seeking information about a school, its operations or security procedures beyond mere curiosity; or unusual, repeated or prolonged observation of school buildings, bus stops or students. Contact the Frederick County Sheriff's Office at 540-662-6168.

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