

# WE ARE SIE!





# Art, music, sports and more highlight winter







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## Superintendent's Message

# Proud to be part of the S-E Team



As we approach the one-year mark and anticipated end of the pandemic, I humbly offer these reflections. Empathy, patience, perseverance, and

flexibility are characteristics that have been on constant display by our students, parents, staff, and community members. Undoubtedly, each member of our S-E community has experienced loss. In the face of these struggles, I have witnessed so many who are willing to be present for those around them. It has been a powerful experience to observe this encouragement; one that helps to renew the wellspring of energy required to face the challenges that have emerged over the last 12 months.

Most importantly, what personally resonates today is thankfulness and tremendous gratitude to each member of our team. I always say that it takes a team effort to do what we do each day. Thank you to every student, parent, caregiver, staff, and community member, and the Board of Education, for making the 2020-2021 school year an overwhelming success.

Although the vision of learning we first held for our students and ourselves may not have come to fruition, we have each grown and achieved through this process. The S-E Team has worked collaboratively to find innovative solutions to the challenges we have faced this year. We have, at every turn, united behind our shared belief in the potential of each and every child. This would not have been possible without a high level of commitment and dedication to doing the right thing.

No matter the obstacle, I have the highest degree of confidence that we will continue to partner together, to function as a remarkably effective team. Our team is interdependent, understanding that it is not only the strength of each member, but the power in our collective experience that allows us to access excellence. I am proud to be a member of the S-E Team and look forward to continuing to grow with this strong organization.

— Robert G. Berson, Superintendent bersonr@seonline.org ❖

# Remaining BOE Meetings

Sherburne-Earlville Central School District Board of Education meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. on the dates listed below and are held in the Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School Library Classroom. Please call the District Office at 607-674-7300 for information on how to attend/view board meetings as the COVID-19 health crisis may prevent in-person attendance at any time.

### March

- 15 Board Meeting
- 29 Work Session

#### April

- 19 Board Meeting
- 27 Special VOTE Meeting (Vote on BOCES Admin, Budget, BOCES BOE Members, BOE Meeting)

#### May

- 10 BoardMeetingandBudgetHearing
- 18 Vote on Budget (No BOE Meeting)

### June

- 7 Board Meeting
- 21 Work Session



# UPK and Kindergarten Registration

Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School will hold UPK and Kindergarten registration days for the 2021-2022 school year from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on March 31 and April 1, 2021.

To register for UPK, your child must be 4 years old on or before December 1, 2021.

To register for Kindergarten, your child must be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2021.

Please bring the following items to registration:

- Your Child's Birth Certificate
- Your Child's Proof of Residency
- Your Child's Immunization Record

If you have not received a Registration Packet in the mail or if you have any questions, please call the S-E Elementary Office at 607-674-7336. ❖

# Need technology support?

The South Central Regional Information Center (SCRIC), a division of Broome-Tioga BOCES, offers technology support for families and students during school district closures.

Resources for My Apps, Google, Schoology, Remote Learning Tools and Frequently Asked Questions are available online at https://sites.google.com/btboces.org/school-closure-technology-supp/ through the SCRIC.

Technology support is also available by calling SCRIC Service Desk analysts at 607-766-3800. Analysts will do their best to answer your questions.

Please reach out to teachers and/or school personnel directly for questions regarding the instructional content of online material set up for specific classes.



# Sports seasons underway at S-E

High school sports returned to Sherburne-Earlville in February as the Board of Education approved the start of several winter athletic programs during its February 8 regular meeting.

Each motion to approve the start of abbreviated boys basketball, girls basketball and volleyball seasons carried by a 7-0 Board vote. Additionally, winter intramural seasons for cheerleading and wrestling were each approved, 7-0.

All five indoor winter sports are considered to be "high risk" during the ongoing COVID-19 health crisis, as defined by the New York State Department of Health. The Board approved the start of each on the condition that all COVID-19 protocols for high-risk sports are followed, as set forth by the Chenango County Public Health Department.

Although no spectators were allowed to attend in person during the Winter Sports Season, as per Center State Conference rules, SECSD and its opponents regularly live-streamed athletic events on a variety of digital platforms so fans could watch from home.

The Fall II Sports Season for our cross country, field hockey, football, boys soccer and girls soccer teams was scheduled to begin in March. The Spring Sports season is set to begin in mid-April. More information, including whether in-person spectators will be allowed during the Fall II and Spring sports seasons, is forthcoming.

Athletics schedules are available on our online Athletics page at https://www.secsd.org/Athletics.aspx. Please note that all schedules are subject to change.

# **Hooray for our FFA!**

Congratulations to all of our Sherburne-Earlville FFA members who are moving on to Sub-State competition! The following SECSD students qualified after placing at the District 4 FFA Leadership Development event.

- **Employment Skills: 2, Amelia Moyer**; 5, **Ryan Jones**.
- Jr. Extemporaneous Speaking: 1, Carter Eldred.
- 🕸 Jr. Prepared Public Speaking: 2, Emilee Bennett; 6, Amon VanAlst. 🥸

# **Website Accessibility Statement**

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is committed to ensuring the accessibility of our web content to people with disabilities. We are actively taking steps to ensure our online content conforms to ADA Compliance standards.

This policy applies to all new, updated and existing web content on **www.secsd.org** and related social-media pages. Links may be provided to outside resources that are not ADA compliant. We cannot control the accessibility of the content within these outside links.

Concerns/complaints should be submitted in writing and mailed to Sherburne-Earlville Central School District, 15 School Street, Sherburne, NY 13460. Please include the following information:

- Date of Concern/Complaint
- Your Name
- Your Address
- Your Email Address
- Your Phone Number
- Internet Address/Location of Accessibility Problem
- Description of Problem Encountered
- Solution Desired
- Your Signature

Accessibility issues also may be reported to the Superintendent via email at bersonr@seonline.org.

We may contact you for further information. The investigation process is typically completed within 15 working days from the date the concern/complaint is received.

# **Use of Student Images**

The Sherburne-Earlville School District features photographs, videos and/or the work of our students in district and community publications on a regular basis. Names sometimes accompany these images, especially for those students who earn special recognition (awards, certificates, honors, etc.) from the district and/or outside entities.

These images may appear in printed district publications (such as brochures, calendars, newsletters, pamphlets, yearbooks, etc.); on the district's website (www.secsd.org); on the district's social media pages (Facebook and Twitter); etc.

If you object to your child's image, name or work appearing in these formats, you must submit that objection in writing to the district Superintendent.

# **Class of 2023 Fundraiser**

Sherburne-Earlville High School's Class of 2023 is selling Dutch Mill Flower Bulbs this spring!

We are raising funds for future events such as prom, the purchasing of senior shirts for all students, and to leave an awesome class gift!

If you would like to help support our class, please follow this link to place your order: https://groups.dutchmillbulbs.com/shop/?affiliates=SEHSclassof2023 Your order will be shipped directly to you! Thank you in advance for your support!

National Honor Society Inducts 27

Congratulations to the 27—that's TWENTY-SEVEN—new members of the Sherburne-Earlville Central School National Honor Society!

National Honor Society Advisor Roseanne Kantor recently announced the 2021 inductions of the following students:

> Lillie Ashton **Brooklyn Babcock** Jacob Baker Kiersten Busic Madison Camenga **Max Collins** Kayleigh Currie Darbi Dean Wyatt DuBois **Preston Eaves** Jonah Excell **Andrew Fern Garrett Fleming** Kaitlyn Frink Isaac Garner Mason Goedel Taylor Grzymkowski **Caleb Hatton** Rebecca Karaman Joshua Larchar **Kylie Matteson** Nicholas McDaniel Carter Muscarella Gabe O'Dell Ariana Russell Ayla Shaw Samantha Sulton

A traditional in-person induction ceremony is not permitted at this time because of COVID-19 restrictions, but staff members are working on a virtual slide-show presentation to honor our 2021 inductees. More details are forthcoming.

Congratulations!

# An Educated Guess!



Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville freshman Ella Price, the winner of our Valentine's Candy Jar Giveaway!

Ella came the closest to guessing the correct number of candy pieces inside the jar, which contained 246 items. Ella was just one off with her guess of 245!

Students in Sherburne-Earlville High School's Sports & Entertainment Marketing class—Tessa Cole, Morgan Boldt, Preston Eaves, Carter Muscarella, Fabien Pierce, Landon Prosser, Jacob Squires and Heidi Stout—created and advertised the Valentine's Day Candy Jar Giveaway within the school.

Great job all around, kids, and Happy Eating, Ella! ❖

# Colgate offers tutoring to SEHS students

Did you know Sherburne-Earlville High School students can get help in a variety of school subjects from Colgate High School Tutors?



Scan this QR Code to get started as it will take you to an Interest Form that you can fill out to be matched with

a Colgate University tutor.

Tutoring services are offered through Zoom sessions at times that work for both the student and the tutor. Need more information? Email colgatehstutors@colgate.edu or talk to your school counselor today!

# Big Day at S-E!





Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School celebrated big things February 12, hitting the 100th day of school on the same day as 80s Day!

Check out some of the fun in the photos and visit our Facebook and Twitter pages to see more!







# Order your HS yearbook today!

Sherburne-Earlville High School is accepting yearbook pre-orders for its 2021 edition of the Archivon!

SEHS yearbooks cost \$45 apiece. Pre-orders and money are due by March 31, 2021. Please make checks payable to S-E Yearbook and mail them to Yearbook Adviser, 13 School St., Sherburne, NY, 13460.

For more information, email **yearbook@seonline.org** or call 607-674-8424.



# Let's hear it for counselors!

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District celebrated all of its terrific School Counselors during National School Counseling Week, which ran February 1-5 in 2021.

Sponsored by the American School Counselor Association, National School Counseling Week highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

We appreciate everything you do for our students every day!

For more information on National School Counseling Week, visit https://www.schoolcounselor.org/Events-Professional-Development/Events/National-School-Counseling-Week online.

# Fine art at S-E!



Thanks to Kristian Newman for sharing photos of his Art Major, Digital Photo and Studio Art students and their amazing artwork from the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year!

Visit our Facebook page to see more awesome artwork from SECSD students this year! ❖





# The driven snow . . .



Junior Mytchell Stowell, left, and sophomore Jack Rodman took the road less traveled to school on January 29, riding their snowmobiles to attend classes at Sherburne-Earlville High School.

What a fun and creative way to show up for in-person instruction on campus!

# **Undercover kids!**

Mrs. Johnson's fourth-graders earned a reward earlier this winter and got to choose a theme for a day of instruction.

The kids got creative by picking "Fort Day," building their own private forts in school to spend the day reading and writing inside them.

SEES Principal Antoinette Halliday reports: "They loved it!" 🗳



# We build excitement!



Scott Bugbee and his Drawing and Design for Production students recently surprised Assistant Superintendent for Business Todd Griffin with a new office desk in the District Office.

**Hunter Hendrickson**, **Mytchell Stowell** and **Rylan Sigman** posed with Mr. Griffin

and the finished product shortly after the desk was delivered. The DDP class project started with a special request to replace Mr. Griffin's old "desk," which was actually two tables.

"Each year, DDP students design and build school-based projects to learn the design process from project concept to finished product," Mr. Bugbee said. "Students then apply these skills toward a manufacturing project of their choice."

After collaborating on the design, the class used CAD software to create blueprints and then went to work with soft maple wood from Baillie Lumber Co. in Smyrna. Students Carson Lounsbury, Espn Anderson and Gavin Egerer also contributed to the project.

# **SEMS students honored!**

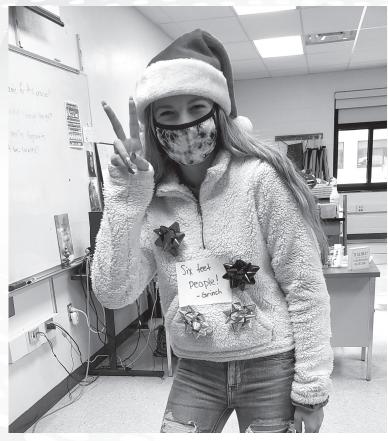


Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville Middle School students **Blaine Fleming, Lydia Larchar** and **Charles Potrzeba**, who were recently accepted into the National Junior Honor Society!

These students have shown outstanding scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship and character. Please join us in recognizing our newest NJHS members for their hard work and dedication to our school and community!

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# **KEEP YOUTH ATHLETES SAFE**

Reduce the Spread of COVID-19 in Youth Sports

Reduce physical closeness between players when possible

- Allow players to focus on building individual skills, like batting, dribbling, kicking, and strength training
- Limit full contact between players to game days (avoid during practice)
- Increase space between players in the practice areas, including on the sideline, dugout, and bench
- Avoid high fives, handshakes, fist bumps or hugs

### Minimize sharing of equipment or gear

- Encourage players to bring their own equipment, like gloves, balls, and helmets (if possible)
- Clean and disinfect shared items between use



 Consider competing against teams in your local area (neighborhood, town, or community)



- Avoid mixing between groups
- Stagger the arrival and drop off of each group to limit interaction
- · Have scrimmages within team to limit exposure

Implement plans topace out spectators by 6 feet at games or competitions. Limit nonessential visitors, spectators, and volunteers.











Skill-building drills at home



Within-team competition

Higher risk



Full competition from different areas



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# Seniors on the hunt!



Thanks to Sherburne-Earlyille seniors **Tessa Cole** and **Morgan Boldt** for coming up with another safe, fun senior event this winter . . . a Senior Scavenger Hunt!

With a few parents helping to plan clues and several seniors working in small, COVID-conscious groups, a community hunt was created.

Seniors were tasked with using clues to locate several area businesses, then had to take pictures of themselves

doing silly things such as handstands near the senior rock, cartwheels on the

golf course, planking near a bridge, and climbing the

town sand pile (all with permission of course).

They also had to get a picture with a local establishment employee, another with a pet, do a good deed for someone while on the hunt, and several other things.

Team BBO, which consisted of **Corey Jeffrey**, **Morgan Boldt** and **Megan Hailston**, earned the Scavenger Hunt crown as the first group back with photo evidence of finding the most correct places.

Congratulations to Team BBO and all of our seniors who participated! &









# Senior artist wins gold key



Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville senior **Raven Rivenburgh** on winning a Gold Key during the CNY Scholastic Art and Awards competition for the 2020-2021 school year.

SEHS Art Teacher Kayleigh Olive said the Gold Key is the highest honor one can earn in the regional competition. Raven's sculpture of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, titled "I Dissent," is now eligible for entry into the national competition.

"From September right up to Christmas break, Raven put every second of her free time into this sculpture," Kayleigh said. "It was the perfect final touch to her college portfolio, which was recently accepted and praised by Rochester Institute of Technology. We are beyond thrilled for Raven and all of her accomplishments!"

Raven used the following materials to create her award-winning sculpture: acrylic paint (skin tones and hair), cardboard (glasses), clay (construction), false eyelashes, graduation gown, lace, scrunchie, and stones with glue (earrings).

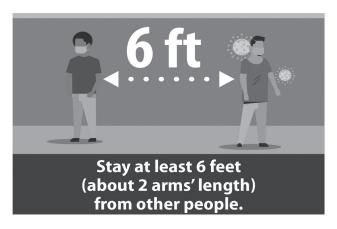
Visit our Facebook page to see more photos of this award-winning piece.

Congratulations, Raven!

Amazing!

# Stop the Spread of Germs

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.







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# Joy to the world!









Sherburne-Earlville MS/HS chorus members participated in a holiday season of caroling around town, beginning in early December at Gilligan's!

Caroling continued throughout the community on designated days in December. Community members were invited to listen/watch as long as COVID-19 guidelines were followed to ensure the safety of all.

Special thanks to Julie Burns and the S-E Music Department for giving our kids another chance to shine during the 2020-2021 school year! ❖

# A touch of class



Sherburne-Earlville started a new tradition before the Christmas break as seniors personalized their parking spots on campus with a little paint and a lot of creativity.

Senior **Deidra Parry** came up with the idea for this fun project, which brought the Class of 2021 together to make memories in a safe, outdoor setting under the supervision of high school teacher Suzanne Winton.









# SHERBURNE-EARLVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2020-21 Instructional Calendar

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	No School—Vacation Day
	Offices Closed
	½ Day: UPK-8th Grade Students Only
	Staff Development Day
	Regents & State Exams
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#### **JULY 2020**

3 4th of July (Observed), Offices Closed

#### **AUGUST 2020**

13-14 Regents Exams

#### SEPTEMBER 2020

- 2-3 Staff Development Day—No School7 Labor Day—No School, Offices Closed
- 8 First Day for Students

#### OCTOBER 2020

9 Staff Development Day—No School
 12 Columbus Day—No School,
 Offices Closed

### **NOVEMBER 2020**

- 11 Veterans Day—No School, Offices Closed
- 19 K-8th GRADE STUDENTS ONLY ½ Day Parent/Teacher Conf. (No UPK, Grades 9-12 report for a full day.)
- 20 UPK-8TH GRADE STUDENTS ½ Day (Grades 9-12 report for full day.)
- 25-27 Thanksgiving Recess—No School, Offices Closed

#### DECEMBER 2020

- 24-31 Christmas Recess—No School
- 24-25 Christmas, Offices Closed
  - 31 New Year's Eve, Offices Closed

### JANUARY 2021

- New Year's Recess—No School, Offices Closed
- 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day— No School, Offices Closed
- 25-28 Regents Exams (Tentative)

#### FEBRUARY 2021

- 4 K-8th GRADE STUDENTS ONLY ½ Day Parent/Teacher Conf. (No UPK, Grades 9-12 report for a full day.
- 5 UPK-8TH GRADE STUDENTS ½ Day (Grades 9-12 report for full day.)
- 15 Presidents' Day, Offices Closed
- 15-19 Winter Recess—No School

#### MARCH 2021

5 Staff Development Day—No School

#### **APRIL 2021**

- 2-9 Spring Recess—No School2 Good Friday, Offices Closed
- 20-21 ELA Testing, Grades 3-8

#### MAY 2021

- 4-5 Math Testing, Grades 3-831 Memorial Day—No School
- TBD Science Performance Test, Grade 8

#### JUNE 2021

- TBD New Regents Exam: Global History & Geography II, Grade 10
- 7 Science Written Test, Grade 8
- 16-24 Regents Exams
  - 25 Rating Day, No Regents
  - 26 Graduation

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# SHERBURNE-EARLVILLE COMMUNICATIONS

To help parents and community members know the best way to communicate with the school, we have created a chain of command guideline that should be a helpful resource. By contacting the following people in the order listed, your questions and concerns can be dealt with more efficiently.

For Questions About	1st Contact	2nd Contact	3rd Contact	4th Contact
Academics	Teacher	School Counselor	Building Principal	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Athletic Director	Superintendent	
Behavior	Teacher	Asst. Principal	Building Principal	Superintendent
<b>BOE Policies</b>	District Clerk	Superintendent	Board of Education	
Budget	Asst. Supt.	Superintendent		
<b>Building Use</b>	Head Custodian	Building Principal	Asst. Supt.	Superintendent
Cafeteria	Cafeteria Mgr.	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Co-Curricular	Advisor	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Facilities	Head Custodian	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Health Office	Building Nurse	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Scheduling	Teacher	School Counselor	Building Principal	Superintendent
Special Education	Teacher	Building Principal	CSE Chairperson	Superintendent
Transportation	Bus Driver	Trans. Supervisor	Building Principal	Superintendent

**Important Contact Numbers** 

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Superintendent	6/4-/330
Assistant Superintendent	674-7365
District Clerk	674-7330
Head Custodian	674-7329
Transportation Supervisor	674-7353
Food Service Director	674-7323
Athletic Office	674-7375
High School Office	674-7380
High School Principal	
High School Assistant Principal	
Middle School Office	674-7350
Middle School Principal	674-7350
Middle School Assistant Principal	674-7350
MS/HS Nurse	674-7314
MS/HS Attendance	674-7325
Elementary Office	674-7336
Elementary Principal	
Elementary Assistant Principal	
Elementary Nurse	674-7389
Special Education Office	674-7347
Special Education Director	



# Reminder: School-Based Health Center is Open

Just a reminder that Bassett's School-Based Health Center at Sherburne-Earlville is open every day school is in session, whether in-person or virtually. Telehealth options are also available.

Bassett's SBHC practitioners have the ability to conduct COVID-19 testing for any student enrolled in a school-based health program! Student appointments for well visits, sick visits, vaccines, or other healthcare needs are also available.

Please call 607-674-8416 (MS/HS) or 607-674-8417 (ES) or 844-255-7242 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays to schedule an appointment. Schedules are subject to change. ❖

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

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### **VISION STATEMENT**

- To achieve excellence by providing a rewarding and challenging environment.
- To raise tolerance levels on the part of all students and staff that will result in a safe, non-threatening, healthy environment.
- To promote positive relationships between and within the school and community.

#### TO ACCOMPLISH THE MISSION AND VISION, SECSD WILL ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- The UPK-12 instructional program comes first.
- We will develop and use a comprehensive curriculum, common assessments, and exit outcomes.
- We will have an accurate, annual assessment of each student's capabilities.
- We expect all staff to live up to the beliefs of the District.
- We expect that all staff engage in professional development.
- We will set goals and measure the progress of District programs on a yearly basis.
- We will treat people with dignity.
- We will not tolerate racial, ethnic, gender, or religious stereotyping or discrimination.
- We will not allow an individual to interfere with the educational process.
- We will reexamine the stated Mission, Vision, and Beliefs every five years.

### **BELIEF STATEMENTS**

- School needs to challenge every individual.
- Learning is a lifelong process.
- Education enables individuals to achieve personal success in a changing world.
- The uniqueness of every individual is valued and developed.