



Weekly Newsletter 01/10/2020

January 10, 2020

Warrior Families!

Happy New Year and welcome back to the continuation of our excellent school year! It is hard to believe that we have completed the first semester of school. I hope you and your families enjoyed quality time together during our winter break and that 2020 brings you all good health and a set of new goals and opportunities. We have started STRONG and our return from winter break has been a smooth one. All of our classrooms have been buzzing with new learning once again with a fresh start and a new outlook. As we begin the New Year and the start of the second semester, we are provided with an opportunity to reflect on the work we have been doing since August. In doing so, I referred back to the letter I provided in our handbook which I copied here:

It is our pleasure to welcome all parents and students to Smithville High School. The teachers, staff and administrators at Smithville are dedicated to accelerating the achievement of EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY, NO MATTER WHAT! Smithville High School maintains a proud tradition of academic excellence. *Only the top 40% of schools earned eligibility to display a trademarked Best High Schools 2019 badge.* U.S. News "Best" badges are widely recognized as symbols of excellence in U.S. education. We proudly display this badge as we are ranked 2nd in the state of Missouri for 2019 for academic excellence.

Academic success for every student is a result of high standards, support, positive relationships with students, and strong partnerships with parents. Our school offers a variety of co-curricular activities for students and we encourage you to participate. Participation in co-curricular activities enriches the high school experience. We have established three expectations for our learning community to achieve our academic and co-curricular goals:

Be Respectful Be Responsible Be Safe

Based on these expectations students will benefit from a positive and safe learning environment. We are "Warrior STRONG" and we want our staff, students, parents, and guests to feel a sense of pride and camaraderie when on our campus. Therefore, we maintain high standards of respect and kindness for persons and property. We will follow our Warrior Strong Code which outlines both incentives and consequences for violating a rule that protects a safe and positive environment. We are proud to serve the students and families of Smithville. Please do not hesitate to stop in or call if you have questions or need assistance. We look forward to a successful year together as Warriors!

Now that we have completed one semester and I reread what was shared I am incredibly grateful for our progress and commitment to excellence. Every January I begin a new gratitude journal and begin to reflect on the ways that we have been successful and ways that we may need some improvements. There are always opportunities to improve but I am incredibly grateful for our community, our students who go above and beyond to be successful and our staff who put aside personal time to support our students in various areas of their life. Thank you for a wonderful first semester and please join me in making our

second semester just as successful! As always, I am open to feedback and ideas you might have for us. You can reach me by email plattt@smithville.k12.mo.us or appointment 532-0405. Happy 2020!!

Your Proud Principal,
Dr. Tracy Platt



Character Strong Connection:

A flyer for "FAMILY VOLUNTEER DAY". The text reads: "FAMILY VOLUNTEER DAY", "FAMILY (C.A.R.E.)", "This weekend, research local organizations or nonprofits together and plan a way to support one this school year that stands out to you as a family.", and "It could be giving of your time, money, or energy - but finding some small way to contribute can be an amazing way to connect and do good!". At the bottom, there are social media icons for Facebook and Instagram, and the "Character Strong" logo.

Shout outs

Rotary Student of the month- Cassie Sherwood

The girl's basketball team raised \$1,500.00 selling socks for sock out cancer! Way to go!!

Staff Shout Outs

Congratulations to Mrs. Mayhugh, she will be the new head coach of our girl's softball team.

8TH GRADE PARENT NIGHT WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH 6PM – 8PM

PARENTS AND
STUDENTS
WELCOME!

COME TO THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND MEET THE HIGH SCHOOL STAFF!
LEARN ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES AND GET INFORMATION ABOUT
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, SEE WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE

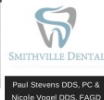
**NO
SCHOOL**

NO SCHOOL-
Friday, January 17, 2020
Teachers Meetings

NO SCHOOL-
Monday, January 20, 2020
MLK DAY

Thank you!

to our
**SHS After Prom
Sponsors**



**After Prom Planning
Meeting**

**Monday January 13th at 7pm
in room 102 at the High
School.**



Smithville Community In Action

Are you passionate about protecting the safety, health, and wellness of the youth in Smithville?

Who We Are:

We are a substance use prevention coalition of local volunteers working towards the health, safety, and happiness of our youth. We would love to have your involvement. Through the collaboration of our members across the community, we address the needs of area youth relating to substance use, suicide, and resilience.

How You Can Get Involved:

- Attend our monthly meetings at SHS as your schedule allows,
- Attend programs sponsored by CIA to learn how you can reduce substance use and suicide among our youth,
- Contact CIA with any concerns or suggestions (especially concerning youth substance use or youth suicide prevention),
- Consider making a donation to CIA to support our prevention work,
- And take time to talk to your children about the harm of alcohol and other drugs.

In partnership with:



Get In Touch:

We encourage you to get involved in local prevention efforts. To find out more about us or to confirm a meeting date, please contact us:

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Our Mission:

“Working together to create a safe, healthy, and thriving community.”

Please Join Us!

If you know of others who might be interested in our coalition, please invite them also!

Find our calendar of events, including our meeting times and dates, at smithvillecia.org/get-involved

Bus Loop and Dropping off Students.

Please remember during the morning drop off and evening pick up times the bus loop is only to be used by the buses. It is a huge safety issue if cars are passing the buses to drop off students. Please use the designated drop off lane and pick up lane. Thank you for understanding.



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Little Warriors Preschool is now Enrolling

SHS Little Warriors Preschool Enrollment is now open. Please complete the form and bring your form, official vaccination records, and \$15 snack fee to the high school office if you wish to enroll your child. Forms will be accepted until January 31st or when we are full. Spots are first come, first serve. Please email sinclair@smithville.k12.mo.us with questions.

2020 Enrollment form

Warrior Closet

The Warrior Closet is located at Maple Elementary (600 Maple Ave) in a mobile classroom next to the playground. **FREE** clothing and school supplies are available to all students enrolled in the Smithville School District. Coats, gloves, hats and other winter attire will be available. The Warrior Closet will be open:

- Tuesday, January 7th - 4-6pm
 - Wednesday, January 8th - 9-11am
 - Saturday, January 18th - 10-noon
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Upcoming Events:

January 15th- 8th grade Parent night

January 17th -No School- Teacher Meetings

January 20th -No School (MLK day)

February 8th- Warrior fest Dance

February 14th- No School

February 17th - School in Session, Make up snow day

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