



November 18 - November 22, 2019

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Important Dates

Thanksgiving Break - Monday, November 25 - Friday, November 29, 2019 (updated)

Christmas Break - Friday, December 20, 2019 through Monday, January 6, 2020.

Report Cards - Monday January 13, 2020

Martin Luther King Holiday - Monday, January 20, 2020

Accolades

Sandy Creek Football Team is headed to the playoffs. Come out and support the team as they take on Denmark at the Battlefield on Friday.

Happenings at the Creek

Instructional Update: Each month Sandy Creek will highlight one of our instructional practices in the newsletter. Literacy is the focus for this month..

For the month of November, we are sharing about **Content Area Literacy**. Content area literacy is the development of the ability to read, write, and comprehend information in content areas. Young and novice learners or practitioners typically need instruction on how to most effectively read and learn using texts in the various disciplines.

Georgia Parent Survey

PLEASE, take a few minutes and complete the Georgia Parent Survey! It is very important that all parents participate. The data from this survey will be used to calculate the CCRPI School Climate Star Rating. You may complete the survey on your pc, smartphone or tablet, and survey responses are anonymous. You may also select the Spanish version when you log on the site. If you do not have internet access, you may fill out the survey in the front office of the school. Please follow the Georgia Parent Survey link <https://gshs.gadoe.org/parents>

Fine Arts:

The Orchestra and Chorus are selling discount cards for \$20.00. They can be used an unlimited amount of times for numerous local restaurants and businesses and expire September 2020. We appreciate your support as we raise money for music and other necessary items.

ROTC Food Drive:

Sandy Creeks JROTC is partnering with the Real Life Center to help provide food for the center. Please join us by bringing in any nonperishable items. The food drive will run until Thursday, November 21st. Some suggested items are: Spaghetti Sauce, Crackers, Juice, Rice, Dry Beans, Canned Meat/Pasta, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Cereal, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Bar Soap, Shampoo, Dish Soap, and Laundry Soap.

PBIS Clothes & Shoe Drive:

PBIS will be collecting gently worn clothes and shoes for donation to Goodwill from now until Thursday, December 19, 2019.

Attention Future IB Candidates:

Attention sophomores:

The application window to the IB Diploma Program for the school years 2020-2022 will be open until December 6, 2019. You are all invited to consider the IB Program as a possible track toward graduation and earn a second, international, high school diploma.

For more information, please contact Ms. Grewe and/or see the IB Program [page](#) on the school's website.

PTSO:

Please join the PTSO. The cost is \$20.00 annually or \$100.00 for lifetime membership. Cash or checks are accepted. Visit our website at [PTSO](#).

ATTENTION PTSO SENIOR STUDENTS:

Parents and Students Please mark your calendars for 2019-2020 PTSO Scholarship

PTSO will select 2 Seniors c/o 2020 to receive \$500.00 each

Scholarship Applications will be available November 20, 2019

Application Deadline is January 10, 2020

Qualifications to apply for scholarship; must be a current member 2019-2020 or Lifetime member
Application will be available online and in guidance office

Counseling Department

Guidance:

(A-D) Ann Garbutt (E-J) Vivian Dunn (K - Rd) Beverly Brown (Re - Z) Sharon Barrow

No Fee November, Seniors, the following colleges and universities have waived the application fee for the month of November. Apply now for FREE!

Albany State University, College of Coastal Georgia, Fort Valley State University, Georgia Gwinnett College, Georgia Southern University, Georgia Southwestern State University, Gordon College, Middle Georgia State University, Savannah State University and Wesleyan College.

Seniors

There will be a FAFSA Workshop on Monday, December 2, 2019 in the Media Center. This is a required application for any student who anticipates receiving state or federal aid to attend college (including HOPE). Space is limited to 25. Pre-registration is required [FAFSA Workshop Sign Up](#). Before the night of the workshop, please make sure you create an account at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa>

Juniors and Seniors

Our goal is to help you make the most informed decision concerning college. SCHS offers in-house college visits where college representatives come to SCHS to promote their program and answer admission and campus questions. If you are interested in speaking to a college representative, please log in to your Naviance account at <https://student.naviance.com/sandychs>. Log in using your school email and your regular school password (Lammddyyyy). On the main page, you will see a box that says "What's new". In that box are listed all the upcoming colleges visiting SCHS. If you are interested in a school listed, click on "more info". Then click "register". Once you are registered, stop by the counseling office to pick up a pass. Without this pass, your teacher will not allow you to leave. In-house college visits are open to 11-12 graders only."

Dual Enrollment Mandatory Information Session

All new or continuing students (along with their parent/guardian) interested in taking courses through **any** Dual Enrollment program for the 2020-21 school year (including summer 2020) must attend one of these meetings. All meetings are from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Monday, November 18, 2019 - McIntosh High School Auditorium

Thursday, November 21, 2019 - Whitewater High School Auditorium

Thursday, December 5, 2019 - Whitewater High School Auditorium

Thursday, January 16, 2019 - Sandy Creek High School Auditorium

Monday, January 27, 2020 - Fayette county High School Auditorium

Dual Enrollment at the Center of Innovation

3rd year Therapeutic Services Pathway, Years 2 & 3 of Culinary Arts, Film (Southern Crescent Technical College and new Computer Science (Clayton State University)

Thursday, January 23, 2020

Monday, March 2, 2020

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Testing

EOC Testing dates

Wednesday, December 11th and Thursday, December 12th Acc Geom/Alg II

Friday, December 13th Economics

First Semester Exam dates

Monday, December 16th - 1st and 2nd period Exam - Study Sessions 3rd and 4th period

Tuesday, December 17th - 3rd and 4th period Exam - Study Sessions 5th and 6th period

Wednesday, December 18th - 5th and 6th period Exam - Study Session 7th period

Thursday, December 19th - 7th period Exam - Early Release

<u>Exemption Types</u>	<u>Academic</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
How many exams can I exempt	THREE	ONE
What grade do I need?	95 or Higher	73 or Higher
Does attendance count?	NO	YES NO MORE THAN 5 ABSENCES, CHECK INS, CHECK OUTS, EXCUSED OR UNEXCUSED DURING THIS SEMESTER (OSS COUNTS)

Student Information

Chromebook Insurance:

If you would like to purchase insurance for your students chromebook for the 2019-20 School Year, it is not too late. You will have until Saturday, November 30th. The cost is only \$29.00 and will cover the device until 8/5/2020. <https://gpo.worthavegroup.com/gpo/fcboe/>

Senior Information:

Senior Dues

You will need to pay on-line at <https://shop.gabalfour.com/categories/packages> You will choose Sandy Creek from the pulldown menu and then scroll down to Cap & Gown/Graduation Fee. The cost is \$130.00 through December 31st. **This fee must be paid for students to participate in graduation in May.** It includes the cost of two t-shirts (if they order by 12/31/19), all costs associated with graduation, and all senior events (senior picnic, senior breakfast, etc). The cost will increase throughout the year as the date gets closer to graduation.

Math Lab:

The Math Lab is now open for students in need of Math help (Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II, Accelerated Algebra I and Accelerated Geometry Students) are welcome to come to room 222 Monday - Thursday from 8:00 - 8:25 am and 3:50 - 4:15 pm. No appointment is needed, just sign in. Students will need a pass. Parents are able to write a pass for their student to attend.

Science Lab:

The Science Lab is now open for students in need of Science help.

Monday & Friday mornings (from 7:45 - 8:15 am) in Room 310

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings (from 7:45 - 8:15 am) in Room 301

Monday through Thursday afternoons (4:00 - 4:30 pm) in Room 302

Parking:

Students are required to purchase a parking permit in order to on campus. Permits are \$50.00

The following information is required to purchase a permit

- Verification of insurance
- Vehicle registration
- License plate number
- Driver's license
- Make, model and color of vehicle

Permits must be posted on the front lower left side of the windshield (Drivers side). No student may park in a Faculty or Visitor lot. Please see SCHS Student Handbook (page 19) [Student Handbook](#) and FCBOE Student Code of Conduct (page 10) for parking guidelines and procedures.

See Ms. McDow in the front office to purchase a permit. If you have any questions regarding student parking regulations, please see Dr. Folden-Handley.

Events

Fri, Nov 15, 2019

7:30 PM - Football Playoffs - Round 1

Sat, Nov 16, 2019

8:30 AM - VB Basketball @ Norcross

11:00 AM - Swim @ Big Splash

Tue, Nov 19, 2019

5:30 PM - FPYO Concert

Wed, Nov 20, 2019

4:30 PM - 9th Basketball @ Creekside

5:00 PM - Wrestling @ Chapel Hill

Fri, Nov 22, 2019

7:30 PM - Football Playoffs - Round 2

Sat, Nov 23, 2019

9:00 AM - 9th Basketball vs Cartersville & East Coweta

12:00 PM - 9th Basketball vs Cartersville & East Coweta

Mon, Nov 25, 2019

All day - Thanksgiving Break

Tue, Nov 26, 2019

All day - Thanksgiving Break

8:00 AM - VG Basketball @ TBD at Jacksonville

8:45 PM - VB Basketball @ Grayson at N Gwinnett

Wed, Nov 27, 2019

All day - Thanksgiving Break

8:00 AM - VG Basketball @ TBD at Jacksonville

Thu, Nov 28, 2019

All day - Thanksgiving

Fri, Nov 29, 2019

All day - Thanksgiving Break

8:00 AM - VB Basketball @ Holy Innocents (TBD)

Sat, Nov 30, 2019

11:30 AM - 9th Basketball @ Carrollton

1:00 PM - JVB Basketball @ Carrollton

2:30 PM - VB Basketball @ Carrollton

Tue, Dec 3, 2019

4:30 PM - Wrestling @ Stephenson

4:30 PM - JVB Basketball @ East Coweta

6:00 PM - VG Basketball @ East Coweta

7:30 PM - VB Basketball @ East Coweta

Wed, Dec 4, 2019

4:30 PM - Wrestling @ Hampton

Thu, Dec 5, 2019

4:00 PM - Tri-M Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

Fri, Dec 6, 2019

4:00 PM - 9th Basketball @ Fayette

5:00 PM - Swim @ Toys for Tots

5:30 PM - JVB Basketball @ Fayette

7:00 PM - VG Basketball @ Fayette

8:30 PM - VB Basketball @ Fayette

Sat, Dec 7, 2019

9:00 AM - 9th Basketball vs East Coweta & Langston

12:00 PM - 9th Basketball vs East Coweta & Langston

4:00 PM - VG Basketball @ Brookwood at Wesleyan

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