



October 9, 2023

Dear Parents:

Listed below are the updates for the week.

Master Facilities Plan Update / Next Steps

Thank you to the 535 people that took our Master Facilities Plan community survey. [HERE](#) are the results for the quantifiable data on the survey. On Thursday (10/5), our Elementary Facilities Planning Committee (EFPC) met to review all of the survey feedback and finalize their recommended Master Facilities Plan. This finalized plan will be presented to the Board of Education for their consideration at their Work Session this Thursday (10/12). The Board will take time at this Work Session to determine what aspects of the recommended plan should be addressed through a Bond project. The final decision on a Bond project will be made by the Board of Education at their October 26th Regular meeting. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the over 100 EFPC members and key communicators for their work over the past 9 months to develop this plan. As representatives of our parents, staff, and community members, their work was thoughtful and visionary as they have charted a path for our facility needs for the next 20-30 years.

Eclipse Glasses Purchased for All SCS Students

Thanks to a partnership between the Strongsville Education Foundation (SEF), the Strongsville Council PTA, and the school district, we have purchased and will be providing solar eclipse glasses for every student for the April 8, 2024 solar eclipse. In partnership with our SHS Science Department Chair, Laurel Maher and students in our Science National Honor Society, we will also be providing some suggested activities for the eclipse as we get closer to time. Again, thank you to our awesome partners in the SEF and PTA for making this a reality for every SCS student. If you would like to support these great organizations, consider attending the SEF's upcoming [Casino Night](#), as well as joining and getting involved in your building PTA.

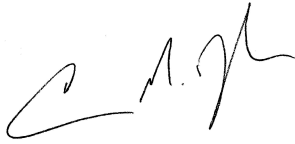
REMINDER...Communication Suggestions - When to Make a Phone Call

All of our employees work hard to effectively communicate and be responsive to parent emails. As I'm sure you can relate to in your own work or personal life, keeping up with emails is a daunting task. However, we strive to be timely in our responses. Please know that when students are in the buildings, all of our employees are hard at work supporting them, no matter their role, and there is limited to no time to check and respond to emails during that time. That is why you probably get most responses outside of the school day. So, if there is something that is an urgent concern or you

feel needs more immediate attention, which I would qualify as a response in 24 hours or less, please call the appropriate person versus sending an email.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. M. Ryba', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. Cameron M. Ryba
Superintendent

Past Parent Updates. If you are trying to find information that I shared in previous parent updates, you can click [HERE](#) to access all updates that are linked on our District website.

SCS Text Message Opt-In. If you would like to receive these and other text messages from the District alerting you of important updates, opt-in by texting 'Y' to 67587.

Strategic Plan. Click [HERE](#) to access the new Strategic Planning web pages that are now live on our website under 'Find it Fast'.

Substitute Opportunities. Click [HERE](#) if you are interested in becoming a substitute for our District or contact Human Resources at 440-572-7037.

Work Permits. Work permits are available in the SHS main office or on the SHS home page under "Find It Fast" - [Work Permits](#). The forms are signed at SHS.