

# SOUTHERN LEHIGH

## HIGH SCHOOL

### SLHS Summer Update #1 - July 14, 2025

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

We hope that everyone is having a great summer so far and enjoying their time off. This is the first of a few summer updates that will be sent out between now and the start of the school year. Since the summer is not as jam-packed as the school year, I send out these smaller newsletters to help keep everyone informed. Please see some important dates and information below to prepare for the upcoming school year.

As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your ongoing support, and please enjoy the summer we still have.

Sincerely,

Joshua C. Miller, Principal

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

- 8/25 - First day of school- WELCOME!
- 8/26 - Open House / Back To School Night for Families 6 to 8 PM
- 9/2 - Week During Spartan Period - Club Rush for all students.
- 9/5 - Senior Sunrise
- 9/22 - ACT 80 Day - *No School for Students*
- 10/10 - Homecoming Football Game and Tailgate.
- 10/11 - Homecoming Dance.
- 10/13 - ACT 80 Day - *No School for Students*

#### TRANSPORTATION UPDATES:

Bus slips will be mailed home in mid-August. All questions should be directed to the transportation department.

#### PARKING:

Student Parking Applications for the **2025/2026** school year will be available on July 7, 2025 at 8:00 am. Students may either visit the [SLHS Website Parking Page](#) to see all information related to parking or students may [CLICK HERE](#) to access the Southern Lehigh High School Student Parking Application directly (**PLEASE NOTE - The SLHS Parking Application must be completed while logged into the SLHS student Google Account**). Students interested in obtaining a parking permit for the 2025/2026 School Year should thoroughly read and complete the application and the necessary accompanying documents with their parents.

*\*Completing an application does not guarantee receipt of a parking permit. Various factors, including attendance, discipline, and academic history, must meet the required standards.\**

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Applications are submitted online through a Google Form. Documents are required to apply, so please make sure you have electronic copies of your Driver's License, Registration, and Insurance before starting the process. (*Students must currently hold a driver's license to acquire a parking permit.*) You will be asked to upload these documents for review at the end of the application. You will not be able to submit without them. Student Parking Applications submitted without the appropriate accompanying documents will not be considered.

Subsequently, Southern Lehigh High School Student Parking Pass distribution will begin on Wednesday, August 11th, 9:00 am - 11:00 am or 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm and payments will be collected either by physically bringing a check or cash into Southern Lehigh High School in August or by mailing a check directly to the Southern Lehigh High School Main Office (made payable to Southern Lehigh High School). Students eligible for parking registration will receive notification for payment and permit pick-up via email.

### **Payment in the form of a check can be mailed to:**

Southern Lehigh High School  
25-26 Student Parking  
5800 Main Street  
Center Valley, PA 18034

### **MacBook Distribution Schedule**

This past week the SLSD Technology Department sent out communication about the schedule for students receiving their new MacBooks. Below are the details again for everyone as well as updated information for those who cannot make their pre-determined time or date.

Grade Level	Distribution Date
9th Grade	Monday, July 21
10th Grade	Tuesday, July 22
11th Grade	Wednesday, July 23
12th Grade	Thursday, July 24

### **Location:**

Southern Lehigh High School Cafeteria  
5800 Main St #1, Center Valley, PA 18034

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### Time:

Morning: 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Afternoon: 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

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### ✓ What to Bring

- Current school-issued laptop
  - Charger (*Please note: A \$20 replacement fee will be charged for missing chargers (cash or check)*)
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### ✓ What Students Will Receive

- New MacBook laptop
  - Charger
    - **Charger Replacement Fee: \$90.00 if lost or broken.**
  - Protective case
  - Step-by-step instructions for device enrollment and login
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### Additional Information - **NEW**

Each student must attend the designated distribution date for their grade level. This is to ensure that your student can log onto the device with no issues and that they are ready for day 1 of the 2025-2026 school year. Students who cannot make the initial window will receive additional communication on new time locations and windows. These alternate pick-up windows will be after the initial windows have concluded.

### STUDENT HEALTH INFORMATION:

**Incoming 11th graders: Physical exam required for 11th grade students 2025-2026 school year.**

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/Documents/School%20Health/PHYSICAL%20EXAM%20form%202012.pdf>

School Health Law requires medical examinations for all children in 11th grade. The Private Physician's Report is attached for your primary care provider to complete. It is recommended that this exam be done after May 1, prior to the grade it is required. However, if your child has had a physical exam completed after July 1, 2024 this will also be accepted. The forms can either be mailed or dropped off at the school, brought in on the 1st day, emailed to ILASIM@SLSD.org or have your physician fax the completed form to (610) 984-1638.

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### **Incoming 12th graders: 2nd Meningitis immunization for 12th grade students 2025-2026**

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires that any student entering 12th grade needs to receive the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meningitis (MCV) immunization PRIOR to the start of the school year. If your child does not have proper documentation, they are at risk of exclusion from school. If your child has already received the immunization, please provide documentation to the nurse via email ( [ilasiM@SLSD.org](mailto:ilasiM@SLSD.org) ), fax (610-984-1638), regular mail, or drop off at the front desk.

### **ATHLETIC INFORMATION:**

Please be advised that high school and middle school fall sports registration will open on Monday, May 5th. All high school and middle school fall sports registrations are done online through a site called FamilyID. All registration information can be found at the link below. The deadline for HS Football and HS Golf registration will be Thursday, July 24th. The deadline for all other fall sports will be Thursday, July 31st. Student-athletes signing up for a fall sport must have a completed FamilyID registration, an approved PIAA physical, a completed ImpACT Test (where applicable), and a completed pay-to-participate fee in order to participate on the first day of practice.

<https://pa02209662.schoolwires.net/Page/582>

### **Family ID Registration Link**

<https://students.arbitersports.com/organizations/southern-lehigh-school-district>

\*The Southern Lehigh School District offers boys and girls cross country (grs. 7-12), girls field hockey (grs. 7-12), golf (grs. 9-12), boys and girls soccer (grs. 7-12), girls volleyball (grs. 7-12), girls tennis (grs. 9-12), cheerleading (grs. 7-12), and football (grs. 7-12).\*

St. Luke's University Health Network is also offering free physicals throughout the summer at Coca-Cola Park if you miss the June 4<sup>th</sup> Physicals held at SLHS. More details will come up at a later time regarding the Coca-Cola Park physicals.

You may also obtain a physical from your family physician or visit a St. Luke's Care Now Center for a \$25 fee (indicate that you are a Southern Lehigh Student-Athlete). Please ensure you have the correct PIAA physical forms: PIAA Section 5 Health History Form and PIAA

**Section 6 Physician Form (please see the links below).**

**Section 5-**

<https://pa02209662.schoolwires.net/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=61&dataid=39248&FileName=PIAA%20Section%205%20Health%20History%20Form.pdf>

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ImPACT Testing - Anyone entering grades 7, 9, or 11 or is new to Southern Lehigh is required to take the ImPACT Test. The ImPACT Test is an online baseline concussion test. This is now being done remotely. Directions for how to complete the ImPACT Test online can be found at the link below.

[https://pa02209662.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/PA02209662/Centricity/Domain/73/Remote%20ImPACT%20Concussion%20Testing%20Instructions\\_.pdf](https://pa02209662.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/PA02209662/Centricity/Domain/73/Remote%20ImPACT%20Concussion%20Testing%20Instructions_.pdf)

If you have any other questions, please contact the Southern Lehigh Athletic Office at 610-282-1421 ext. 7022

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### **STAFFING UPDATES:**

The high school is fully staffed for the upcoming year. While we lost great teachers in Mr. Hershey, Mrs. Howsare, Mrs. Peralta, and Mrs. Davis from the Counseling Office, we were able to fill all of these positions. In June, the SLSD Board approved the following new teachers and secretaries:

- Mr. Joe Grucella, who is one of our two new English teachers, is coming to us from Roman Catholic HS in Philadelphia. Mr. Grucella has some great energy and is a great addition to our English Department.
- Mr. Joel Soto, who is our other new English teacher, is coming to us from a Fellowship teaching position. Mr. Soto has collegiate experience as an adjunct from Moravian College and is very student-centered, bringing great depth to our English Department.
- Mrs. Christine Russell is our new business teacher and is coming to us from Salisbury High School. Mrs. Russell has a wealth of experience and knowledge after working at both Lehigh University and Salisbury High School.
- Mrs. Tammy Smith is the new secretary in our counseling office. Mrs. Smith has subbed in Southern Lehigh for multiple years and has now become full-time.
- Miss Trisha Faust is our newest addition to the high school staff and is fulfilling the new position of Library Media Specialist. When students return in the fall, they will have a new media center and a new specialist to help acclimate them to the area.