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October Updates

- **This year has gotten off to a fabulous start!**
 - The first school dance went off without a hitch, with students really enjoying the music, dancing, and, of course, Ice Cream!
- The first year STAR and IXL Diagnostics have taken place and both teachers and students are working hard in their classes!
- Our Musical ensembles are up and running and practicing together diligently!
- Our school clubs and activities have begun and are diving deeper into these exciting areas!
- Studio 22 is producing excellent news casts every morning!
- **2022-2023 School Year Forms**
 - Update: We are updating information for the 22-23 school year. The information pertains to contacts, nurse information, Sapphire information, and photo permissions. If you already completed this information for this year there is no need to repeat the process. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
 - [Forms Link](#)
- **Lehigh Career & Technical Institute Open House - 10/27**
 - You're invited to visit Lehigh Career & Technical Institute on Thursday, Oct. 27 for the school's annual Open House for prospective high school students. The event runs from 6 to 8 pm; doors open at 5:45 pm.
 - <https://lcti.org/openhouse/>
- **Manufacturing Team Update:**
 - We are paired with *Ocean Spray* for the **What's So Cool About Manufacturing?** Video Contest
 - Next Steps include:
 - Zoom with with Manufacturer to Plan
 - Brainstorm storyline and interview questions

- Field trip to Ocean Spray with the team.

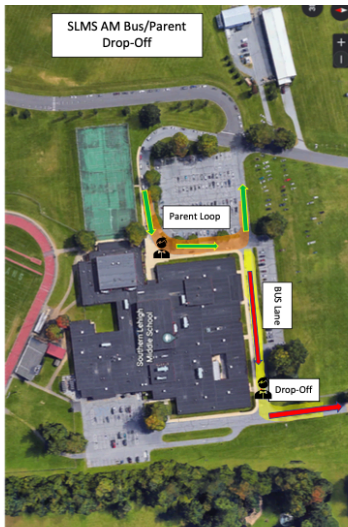
- **Student Council Update:**

- The Student Council is excited to tell you about our September! In the beginning of the month, we had an incredibly successful fundraiser, thank you to all of the students and friends that participated! September 31st we had a Back to School Dance. Attendees had so much fun dancing with their friends and eating ice cream! We also had two spirit days so far this school year, and many more to go! This month we will be having Red Ribbon Week! Spirit Days all week that support saying no to drugs! Have a fantastic October!



Upcoming Events

- **Band in the Stands - 10/7/22**
 - Kickoff at 7:00 pm
- **No School - 10/10/22 - Teacher Inservice**
- **Field Trip to Lincoln Financial Field - 10/12/22**
 - Student Council and participating students will be traveling to the Linc for a private tour in coordination with the Duck Fundraiser.
- **Coopersburg Halloween Parade: Sunday, October 16, 2022**
 - Concert Band, 3:00 parade
- **Southern Lehigh Middle School PEAK Activities**
 - Southern Lehigh Middle School is excited to announce that its P.E.A.K Program is back! P.E.A.K (Planned Extracurricular Activities for our Kids) is a program that offers a variety of low-cost or no-cost activities after school for our middle school students. Students can sign up for any or all of the activities that interest them and fit their schedule. Permission slips can be found in school near the cafeteria or online at the following link: <https://www.slsd.org/Page/5738>.
- **After School Tutoring**
 - ***Be on the lookout for information and sign ups to be coming out soon!***
 - We will run this afterschool program from 2:45 to 3:45 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Parent pickup is required. More details to follow!



STADIUM CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

- **Starting October 24, 2022** - AM Parent Drop Off Procedures will change due to construction beginning behind the building.
- Buses will be dropping off along the side of the building facing the High School.
- Parents will continue to drop off through the front loop near the front door and tennis courts, however, upon exiting the Drop Off Lane, they will have to STOP and turn Left leaving the parking lot, so as not to drive in the new bus channel.
- See here for more: [Large Map View](#)



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PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE UPDATE!

- **Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held the evening of Monday, November 21, 2022 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm.**
 - Because of the shortened time frame for conferences - the first conferences scheduled will be Teacher-Directed, followed by Parent-Requested conferences.
 - We will be using a new program for scheduling conferences online, which will come via email. If you do not have access to email, please send a note in to your teacher or call the office.
- **TIMELINE:**
 - Teachers will send out email invites to Parents for Conferences during the week of: 10/31
 - Parents will have a chance to sign up for Time slots until Wednesday 11/9/22.
 - Parents may email teachers to request a conference from Wednesday, 11/9/22 to Wednesday, 11/16.



SPARTAN SHOUT-OUTS!

- **Mr. Hankee** for holding down the fort and helping Dr. Donahue transition into retirement smoothly while helping Mrs. Webb get acclimated to SLMS!
- **STUCO & Mrs. Halloran and Mrs. Butz**, for planning a wonderful back to school dance!

- **Teacher Chaperones:** Mrs. Hubbs, Mrs. McGinniss, Ms. Zhu, Ms. Eidemuller, Mrs. Toto



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