



South Seneca High School

Newsletter to Families

February 15


Winter break is sneaking up on us! Look through this edition of the Family Newsletter and never hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs. Horton

Notes & Updates

- Cornell University's Precollege Program 2023 is overjoyed to announce that they will offer a limited number of scholarships for students with financial need and high academic achievement to enroll in credit-bearing, undergraduate, ONLINE courses this summer. [Check out the flyer here with more details.](#) Nomination forms are available in Guidance and due back by February 28th!
- Just a reminder for those who may be interested in extra support, we have fantastic community counseling services.
 - Seneca County Community Counseling
 - 31 Thurber Drive
Waterloo, NY
 - (315) 539-1980
 - Clinic Hours:
 - Monday-Thursday, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
 - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
 - Walk-in Hours:
 - Monday-Thursday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
 - Friday, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
 - South County Clinic
 - 7204 Main St
Ovid, NY 14521
 - (315) 220-3201
 - Clinic Hours:
 - Monday & Wednesday - Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
 - Tuesday, 8:30 am - 7:00 pm
- Congratulations to our Staff and Student of the Month for January!

STAFF OF THE MONTH!



DAVID TURKEN

CORE VALUES SHOWCASED:
INCLUSION AND KINDNESS

"Mr. Turken has been described as fun, considerate, generous, understanding, caring, and patient. He looks out for everybody and he deserves this spot! He is always there for students whenever you need him, always going the extra mile in work and making students push to their potential. Mr. Turken is always doing the right thing and including everyone. He goes above and beyond to make students' lives easier and to help them in any way he can."

STAFF OF THE MONTH

STUDENT OF THE MONTH!



NIK WHEELER

CORE VALUES SHOWCASED:
RESPONSIBILITY AND KINDNESS

"Nik has high standards for school work, and he takes on extra opportunities as well, like All-County Chorus. He is good about communicating about his needs to get everything done. Nik makes the extra effort to greet his peers and adults in the hall and you can always count on him to be kind to those around him."

- Farm to School Home Garden kits are available again as part of our partnership with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Seneca County (CCE Seneca) Farm to School program! The garden kits will include seeds, potting soil, instructions for starting seeds in recycled containers, and additional information in a handy tote bag. Students and families are asked to register to receive the home gardening kits. Teachers can also register to receive a kit to use in their classroom. Kits should be ready for distribution during the last week of March. CCE Seneca will continue to provide tips and videos on their website (www.senecacountyccce.org) and on their Facebook page (www.facebook.com/CCEsenecaF2S) to help answer growing questions all along the way - from growing plants, harvesting, and preparing home-grown veggies!



Farm to School Home Garden Starter Kits

Kits will include gardening information, seed starting soil mix, and the below seeds neatly packaged in a reusable bag made from recycled material.



Bush Beans
Cherry Tomatoes
Lettuce
Zucchini
Sunflowers
Zinnias



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1 kit per family. To receive your home garden kit before spring recess, please register by **Monday, March 27, 2023**. REGISTER ONLINE at https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/F2SSouthSeneca2023_245



CCE Seneca will be there with you all along the way through Zoom, Q & A's, our Farm to School (F2S) Facebook page [Facebook.com/CCESenecaF2S](https://www.facebook.com/CCESenecaF2S) and our website www.senecacountycce.org.

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- Looking for an activity over break? Check out this link for the current exhibits at [Cornell's Johnson Museum of Art](#)! Or check out what's going on at the [Corning Museum of Glass](#)!
- March Madness Dress Up Days hosted by Student Government:
 - Monday March 6th- Pajama Day
 - Tuesday March 7th- Movie Character Day
 - Wednesday March 8th- Workout Wear
 - Thursday March 9th- Jersey Day
 - Friday March 10th- Black & Gold (Pep Rally Day)
 - Thursday March 16th- Wear All Green Day in honor of St. Patrick's Day

Important Dates

- 02/20-02/24 - Winter Break
- 03/08 - Early Release Day, 12:45
- 03/10 - End of the 5 weeks
- 03/17 - Superintendent's Conference Day, no school
- 03/30 - Spring POPS Concert, 7:00

Event Information

- Who doesn't love breakfast for dinner?



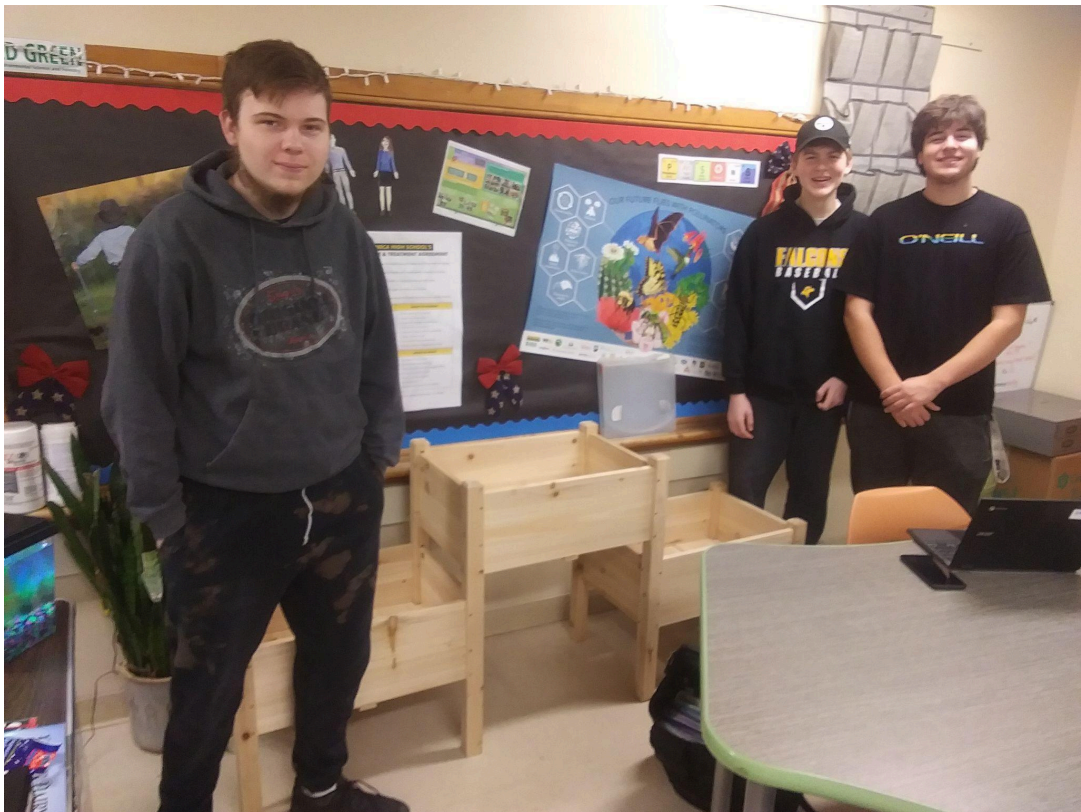
- Upcoming Events from Guidance
 - March 3th - TST BOCES Visit with 10th Graders
 - March 6th & 7th - Cassie Briggs Workshops with Seniors and Juniors
 - March 9 & 10th - Course Selection with Current 10th Graders
 - March 13th - Field Trip to National College Fair in Rochester with Juniors
 - March 27th & 28th - Course Selection with Current 9th Graders

Classroom Spotlights

- Garden Lit classes have been busy getting ready for spring weather! We have used this time to assemble some raised garden planters that were purchased for us through the Creating Healthy Schools Grant. We also have learned about starting seeds indoors in preparation for the spring planting season. We collected some flower seeds in the flower garden part of the community garden in the fall, and have planted some of those collected seeds to get a start on some flower plants to put around our greenhouse and outdoor classroom area. Students also placed requests for vegetable and flower seeds to be ordered through two NYS seed companies: Hudson Valley Seed Co and Fruition Seeds. These orders are arriving and will be

started very soon! In addition to learning about the importance of soil health and why we should be worried about the health of our garden soil, students have been learning how to re-pot house plants to help with their overall health. Many snake plants were split and transplanted and found new homes with our students. We know it's only February, but spring will be just around the corner so we are working to be ready!





- High School Chorus welcomed Dr. Kevin Dibble to class on February 6, 2023. Dr. Kevin Dibble is currently the Director of Choral Activities at Houghton University in Houghton, NY. He earned his Bachelor and Master's Degrees from Houghton as well and earned a Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from University of Iowa in Choral Conducting. Before teaching at Houghton University, Dr. Dibble has had appointments at Temple University, Cairn University, and Gordon College. Dr. Dibble worked with High School Chorus students both in small group lessons and in class. He also worked with Vocal Jazz during their class as well. Dr. Dibble worked with students on their Vocal Technique and was able to bring a unique, personal perspective to our Tenor and Bass singers. If anyone is interested in more information about Houghton University, please contact Mrs. Perry.






- Here's the Spanish 4 group collaborating on a running dictation. And they were RUNNING! They are doing a great job with listening comprehension as we are viewing a video series.



Reminders


- Don't forget about the After-School Study Hall for students who may need extra support or just a quiet space to work after school! We are now offering it every day in room 213 (by the library). Students who need transportation just need to connect the day prior.
- Need community service hours? Students who are available may join the Foodlink Food Truck to help with packing and giving away food!

- Students who plan to stay after school and need transportation need to plan ahead and communicate with that teacher so that they can make arrangements with our transportation department.
- All South Seneca students have access to the tutoring platform, PAPER, for FREE tutoring 24/7. This is a great resource. Reach out with any questions or attend an info session!



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The Seneca County Suicide Prevention Coalition would like to remind you

You are not alone!

HELP IS AVAILABLE

Call 211 or Text 741741



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