



South Hunterdon Regional School District

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Dear South Hunterdon High School Parents/Guardians,

We are excited to begin the 2026–2027 school year with renewed focus and enthusiasm for learning. As we prepare for the first day of school on September 1, 2026, we'd like to share some important and exciting information about the year ahead.

We hope you enjoy the remaining weeks of summer, and we look forward to working together to ensure a successful and rewarding school year.

Student Schedule Release

Students' schedules will be made available on **OnCourse on August 14th**. Any scheduling questions/requests should be made by submitting our [SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUEST FORM](#) to the appropriate school counselor **via email**. Schedule changes will only be made when there is an error in a student's schedule or when a student's academic level needs to be adjusted.

If a student selected a course during the scheduling process, we will not be making schedule changes simply because the student has had a change of preference. We appreciate that students' interests and preferences can change, but once schedules have been finalized, we need to maintain consistency and ensure that courses have appropriate enrollment and staffing.

Please see the chart below to identify the appropriate school counselor.

School Counselor	Student Last Name	Email Address
Mrs. Dana Keck	Grades 9-12 (A-L)	dana.keck@shrsd.org
Mr. Bay Pederson	Grades 9-12 (M-Z)	bay.pederson@shrsd.org

Administrative Assignments

Please feel free to contact the appropriate Administrator or class advisor with questions or concerns.

High School Principal	Adam Wright	adam.wright@shrsd.org
High School Vice Principal/Athletic Director	Jason Miller	jason.miller@shrsd.org
9th Grade Class Advisors	Dana Keck Ashley Williams	dana.keck@shrsd.org ashley.williams@shrsd.org
10th Grade Class Advisors	Joe Vocke James McManus	joe.vocke@shrsd.org james.mcmanus@shrsd.org
11th Grade Class Advisors	Kyle Hart Kendall Storcella	kyle.hart@shrsd.org kendall.storcella@shrsd.org
12th Grade Class Advisors	Kady Johnson Rachel Devlin	kady.johnson@shrsd.org rachel.devlin@shrsd.org

Senior Parking

All incoming Seniors are eligible for parking on campus for the 2026-2027 school year. Please email Suzanne Zambella to make an appointment to receive a decal and parking spot. Completed applications along with a copy of their driver's license, registration, car insurance, and payment of \$50.00 must be turned in. Applications will not be accepted the first week of school.

Mobile/Smart Device Procedure

Beginning with the 2026–2027 school year, New Jersey's "bell-to-bell" cell phone law (S-3695/A-4882) requires all K–12 public school districts to limit student use of cell phones and other internet-enabled devices, including smartwatches and tablets, during the school day. To comply with this state requirement and help maintain a focused learning environment, SHRHS students will place their internet-enabled devices in their assigned collection bins at the locations listed below upon arrival. **Students are to make sure to turn their devices off prior to turning in their devices for the day.** Students will have access to their devices again at the end of the school day or whenever they are dismissed for the day.

- **Grade 9 : Auditorium Lobby (Blue) Mr. McManus**
- **Grade 10: Cafeteria (Green) Mr. Pedersen**
- **Grade 11: Gym (Yellow) Mrs. Deiley**
- **Grade 12 non-drivers (White): Auditorium Lobby Mr. McManus**
- **AM Polytech- Main office**

Discipline Matrix

South Hunterdon Regional High School has implemented a new point-based discipline matrix designed to provide a clear, consistent, and transparent framework for addressing student behavior. The matrix establishes defined responses to disciplinary infractions, ensuring that expectations are applied fairly while promoting accountability and positive decision-making. By creating a structured and easy-to-understand system, the matrix supports students, families, and staff in fostering a safe, respectful, and equitable learning environment.

Attendance Policy

Attached please find our [District Policy 5200 Attendance](#) and our [District Regulation 5200 Attendance](#). Below you will find our absence thresholds and actionable steps.

1. Absence Thresholds and Actionable Steps:

At 4 Absences:

- Action: Attendance Officer meets with student and reviews policy. Phone calls will go home to the parent.

At 8 Absences:

- Action: Attendance Officer meets with student and reviews policy. [Students will be contracted for absences](#). A letter will be sent home outlining the importance of regular attendance and the potential consequences of further absences.

At 12 Absences:

- Action: Attendance Officer meets with student and reviews policy. Students will be contracted for absences. A second warning letter will be sent, including a notice of potential academic consequences, and a phone call followed up by an email.

At 15 Absences:

- Action: The student is notified of their impending loss of course credit by letter and their right to an attendance appeal. The parent and the student attend the attendance appeal. Students get one appeal per year and one reschedule.

2. Types of Absences Covered:

- This policy applies to all absences, including excused and unexcused. Documentation for excused absences must be provided within 48 hours of return to school. Excused absences include - Driver's License Test, College Visit (2 per year Juniors and Seniors Only) and Bring Your Child to Work Day.

3. Appeals Process:

- The attendance appeal committee consists of the attendance officer, an administrator, school counselor, a staff member, and when applicable, a representative of the Child Study Team. Parents and students will be notified of the committee's decision in writing.

4. Support and Resources:

- The school offers various support services for students struggling with attendance issues, including counseling, academic support, and intervention programs. Students are encouraged to seek help early to prevent excessive absences.

5. Record Keeping:

- Attendance records will be maintained and reviewed regularly. It is the student's and guardian's responsibility to ensure that all absences are documented and communicated to the school in accordance with school procedures.

6. Truancy:

- If a student aged 16 or younger accumulates 15 or more unexcused absences, their case will be referred to the West Amwell Township Municipal Court to initiate truancy proceedings.

Dress Code

[District Regulation 5511 Dress Code](#)

ParentSquare

We are continuing to use our communication system - ParentSquare. The app can be accessed on your mobile phone, laptop or tablet so that you can have up to the minute updates about our school and the district. If you have not yet downloaded the app and set up your preferences (time of the day you would like to receive messages, preferred language, etc.) please click on this [link ParentSquare](#). In addition to getting ParentSquare, please be sure to check out the South Hunterdon Regional High School website throughout the year.

FAQ's

- **Absences** - To mark your child absent email or call the School Nurse, Tracy Flemming tracy.flemming@shrsd.org
- **Tardy** - Your child can sign themselves in if they are late. Parents do not need to enter the building with their child.
- **Signing out** - All students must be signed out by a parent/guardian or emergency contact. If signed out by another adult, written consent must be sent to the Main Office secretaries Aimee Bill and Suzanne Zambella.
 - Seniors with Senior Privilege can sign themselves out with written consent. Parents must email Main Office secretaries Aimee Bill and Suzanne Zambella permitting their students to drive themselves off campus at a certain time.
- **Late Bus** - Monday through Thursday, leaves campus at 5:15 pm, sign up is required.
- **Parent drop off/pick up** - Parent drop off and pick up is in the rear parking lot. Students can enter through Door C1. The front parking lot is for buses only, parents are not permitted in that area before school begins.
- **Bus Policy** - If your child wants to go home on the bus with a friend, both parents must email their consent to the Main Office secretaries Aimee Bill and Suzanne Zambella.

School Hours

Regular School Schedule: 7:53 am - 2:44 pm

Delayed Opening Schedule: 9:53 am – 2:44 pm

Half Day Schedule: 7:53 am – 12:00 pm

[Printable District Calendar 2026-2027](#)

Welcome Back Barbeque

Kick off the new school year with us at the South Hunterdon Welcome Back BBQ on Friday, August 28, at 5:00 PM! All South Hunterdon families are invited to the Welcome Back BBQ. All South students will receive a ticket for a free meal before we head over to cheer on the Eagles in the first football game of the

season and the inaugural game on our new turf field against New Hope High School. We hope you'll join us for an evening of great food, school spirit, and an exciting start to the 2026–2027 school year!

Transportation

Transportation information will be available in OnCourse by Friday, August 21, 2026.

Chromebooks

All students 9th through 11th kept their Chromebooks over the summer. This is a friendly reminder to make sure you bring your Chromebook on the first day of school and that your Chromebook is fully charged.

[Homework Regulation FAQ](#)

Upcoming Dates

August 24 - New Student Orientation

August 25-27 - Staff In-Service

August 28- SHRHS BBQ

September 1 - First Day of School

September 7 - No School Labor Day

September 8 - Underclassman Picture Day

September 9 - Senior Portrait Day

September 11 - No School Rosh Hashanah

September 17 - Back to School Night

Fondly,

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