



SHERWOOD CHARTER SCHOOL

Dear SCS Parents,

I hope your summer has brought great fun, adventure, and time with family! My daughters and I spent time in Lake Tahoe and at the Oregon Coast during our summer vacation.

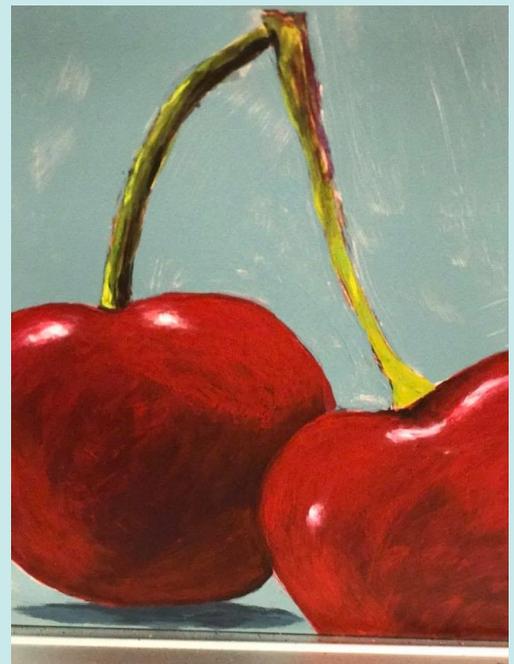
As I embark on my 13th year as principal and my 7th year at Sherwood Charter School, it is my pleasure to welcome you back for another great year at SCS. We have been working hard all summer to get set for our best year yet. Our teachers and staff have been busy already preparing their classrooms for our students to arrive. We strive to challenge each student to grow academically, and be engaged in meaningful curriculum. Our teachers spend two weeks fine tuning their lesson plans during the last two weeks in August. It is a time for staff bonding and high-level curriculum preparation. The positive energy at SCS is so strong! My teachers and staff are ready to start the year!

An exciting development is that we have moved our offices to make them larger and more secure. Our entrance is now located through the double doors in the lower parking lot. These doors are on track to have controlled access installed later this fall. This means that the old door to the office will always be locked and we will buzz people in, instead of having the door open.

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Another great development is that we have hired Sandy Baxter to be our assistant at SCS. You will see her smiling face as she will be in charge of attendance and afternoon dismissal in the office. Sandy will also help out in classrooms, lunch and at recess. We are excited to welcome her to our SCS family!

Each year, I renew my commitment to my Guiding Principles that I have put into practice since 2003. They are my touchstone and I base my leadership on each of these seven principles every day:

- Guiding Principle 1—Everyone is treated with dignity and respect.
- Guiding Principle 2—Every decision we make has the best interest of children at heart.
- Guiding Principle 3—“Good Enough” is the enemy of great. Commitment to excellence is a constant and never-ending process. Greatness is a matter of conscious choice.
- Guiding Principle 4—Building inclusion, influence, and community leads to high achievement.
- Guiding Principle 5—Proactive planning leads to a quality result.
- Guiding Principle 6—The right people in the right job are self-motivated.
- Guiding Principle 7—Creating a culture wherein people have tremendous opportunity to be heard and ultimately, for the truth to be heard, allows the right decisions to be self-evident.

I am so excited to lead SCS for another year. Our school has an exceptional team of individuals all focused on creating an outstanding school where every single child can thrive. I am so proud of our school and how far we have come. I can't wait to see you at our “Meet and Greet” on September 4th!

With H.E.A.R.T.,

Joy Raboli

Administrator



Meet and Greet - September 4th, 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Upcoming Events - Mark your calendars!

We are holding our annual open house Meet and Greet on September 4th from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Come and meet your teachers, drop off your supplies, complete any remaining registration paperwork, pick up middle school class schedules, get the low down on car line, pay your OneFund and more!

First Day of School - September 5th

The first day of school will be on September 5th. School is in session Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 3:30 pm (check the school calendar for holiday and closure dates). Please note that students should be at school as early as 7:40 am and seated in the sanctuary with their class no later than 7:55 am.

Back to School PAC Picnic - September 7th

Join the Parent Advisory Committee for an all school picnic! It will be held at Snyder Park in Sherwood, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share, last names starting with:

A-L: Main dish

M-R: Side dish

S-Z: Dessert

Middle School Elective Sign Ups

Middle School Electives

Leadership Academy teacher Ms. Peterka will be sending elective sign up emails around August 24th, so be on the look out! If you do not see the email, please contact Ms. Peterka at speterka@sherwoodcharterschool.org.

Weekly Thursday Email

Office Thursday Email

The office sends a weekly Thursday email with school news. Please be sure to add office@sherwoodcharterschool.org to your contact list and notify the office if your email address changes.

2018-2019 Supply Lists

Supply lists for the upcoming school year are available on our [website](#), or see the links below:

[Kindergarten Supply List](#)
[First Grade Supply List](#)
[Second Grade Supply List](#)
[Third Grade Supply List](#)

[Fourth Grade Supply List](#)
[Fifth Grade Supply List](#)
[Middle School Supply List](#)

**TO DO:
Family
Directory**

Family Directory

Each year we provide a family directory to current families. To be included in the family directory, please complete the online form using the link below:

[2018-2019 Family Directory Online Form](#)

**TO DO:
Emergency
Notification
Signup**

FlashAlert

We want to encourage all parents to sign up on www.flashalert.net to receive email, text message, or alert notification of school emergency closures. For inclement weather, we follow Sherwood School District decisions. For directions on how to sign up, please see the link below:

[FlashAlert Instructions](#)

**TO DO:
Volunteer
Background
Check**

Online Background Check

If you would like to volunteer this school year, please complete the online background check using the link below. You will be notified by the office after it has been processed and once approved you can make arrangements with your student's teacher.

Click here: https://www.criminalinfo.com/eApplication/SCS_Form.cgi

**TO DO:
Follow SCS
on Facebook**

SCS Facebook Group

Keep up daily on the great learning happening at our school by requesting to join the closed SCS Facebook group. Here you will find photos of activities happening at the school for current SCS families. You must request to join this group to be able to view the page. Please go to the link below to request access:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/sherwoodcharterschool10/>

Attendance

HOW TO: Absences or Tardies

For all attendance information regarding your child, including absences, tardies, early pick up, and appointments, notify the office by sending an email to office@sherwoodcharterschool.org or calling 503-925-8007. It is helpful if you include the word “**ATTENDANCE**” in the email subject bar.

Absences

If your student is going to be absent from school for any reason, please email or call the school before 8:30 am. We want to make sure all students arrive at school safely. If your student is absent and we have not heard from you, we will call to confirm the absence.

Tardies

All classes leave as a group from the sanctuary at 7:55 am. If your student arrives after this time they must sign in at the office and get a tardy slip before entering class. Please email or call the office in advance if you know they will be tardy.

Communication with Students

HOW TO: Messages to Students

Once students arrive at school, they must put away their cell phones. If you need to get a message to your child, please email or call the office. Remember that each time we deliver a message to a classroom, it disrupts instruction. Help us create a focused, productive learning environment by making arrangements for transportation, appointments and other non-emergent issues before dropping your child off at school.

HOW TO: Visit the school

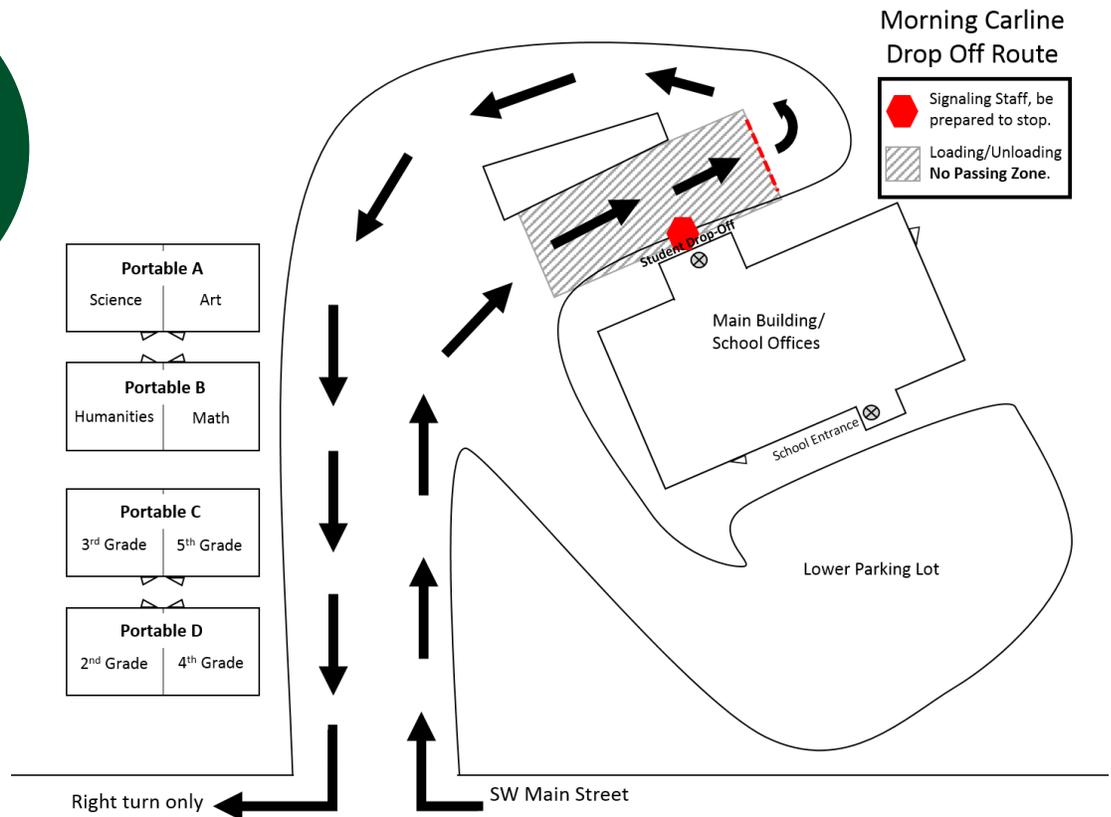
Visitors

All visitors to school must come to the office and sign in on the clipboard just inside the office. Please wear a visitor badge while at the school. Please note that doors will be locked during the school day and you must request entry at the main school entrance.

How To Navigate Car Line

Our goal is to make car line safe for our students and staff and as efficient as possible for you. Everyone's safety depends upon the collaborative effort of all of us following these procedures carefully. Only right-hand turns are permitted out of the school onto Main Street during car line. Waiting until traffic is clear in both lanes creates a bottleneck; please help keep the traffic flowing.

HOW TO: Morning Car Line

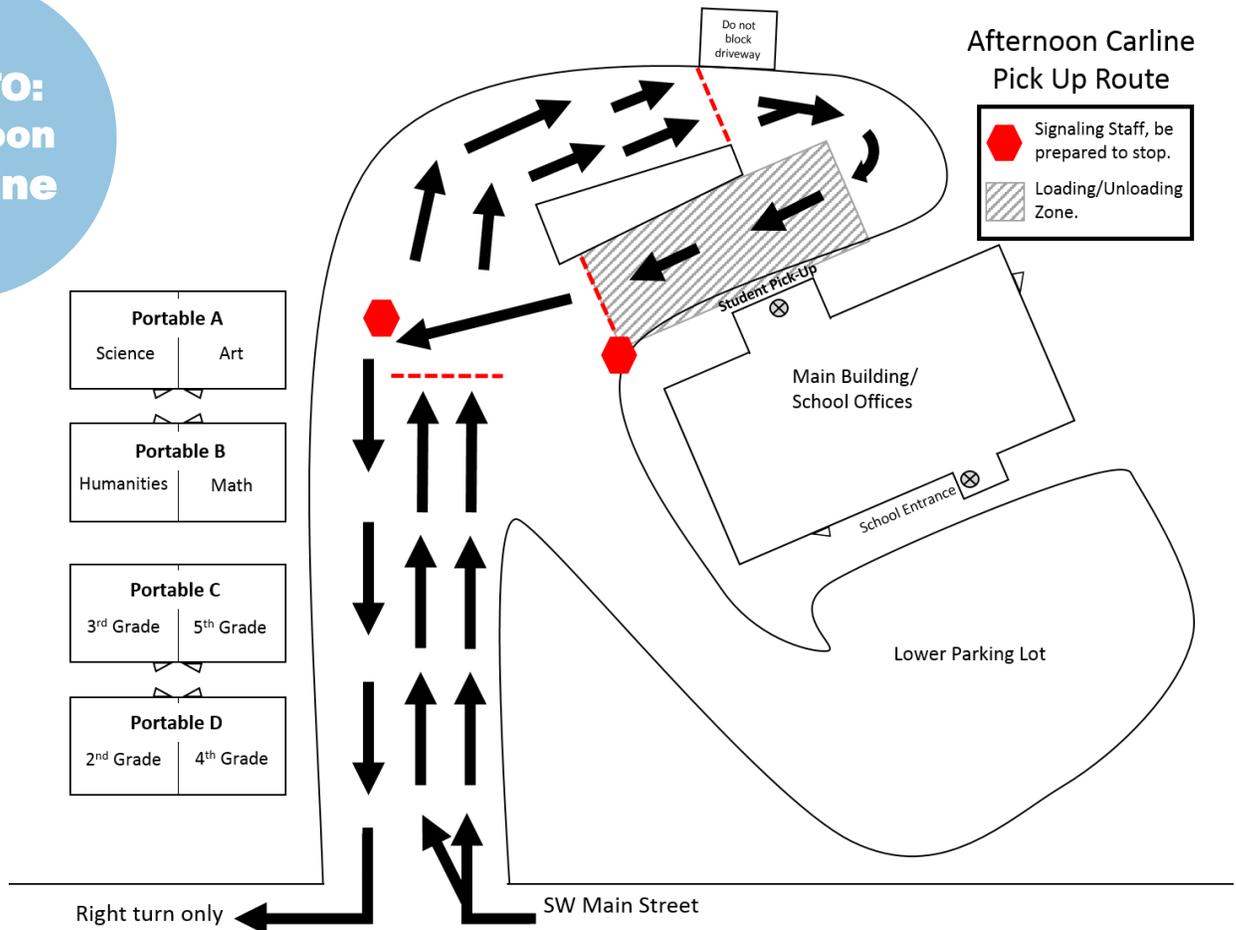


Morning car line drop-off begins at 7:40 am, please do not drop students off prior to that as there is no supervision. Car line ends at 7:55 am, with classes starting promptly at 8:00 am. If you are later than 7:55 am, students must go to the office to sign in.

Please pull forward to just before the horseshoe turn before stopping your car; this allows several cars to drop off their students at once. Do not stop in front of the sanctuary doors unless all the cars in front of you are stopped; this backs traffic into the crosswalk area.

Your child should have their book bag, lunchbox, projects etc. ready before you stop your vehicle and encourage your children to move quickly as a courtesy to all the people behind you. Whenever possible, children should exit the car from the passenger side. Children exiting your car from the driver's side should cross in front of your vehicle. When clear, continue around the horseshoe to the left; DO NOT do a U-turn and DO NOT back up to avoid driving around the horseshoe. DO NOT pull around other cars. Your impatience could have tragic consequences. DO NOT stop traffic in front of the school to drop students off on Main Street to avoid car line. Drivers should remain in their cars as children exit their vehicles on their own. If they are physically unable to do so, drive to the lower lot and park. Parking is prohibited in the car line route during car line hours.

HOW TO: Afternoon Car Line



Afternoon car line pick up begins at 3:30 pm and ends at 3:45 pm. The car line moves more smoothly when our families spread out pick-up time between 3:30 – 3:45 pm. Please do not arrive earlier than 3:21 pm., arriving too early into the parking lot creates safety concerns for students in afternoon PE classes and blocks crosswalks. Car line numbers are assigned during student enrollment and should be prominently displayed on your car dash during afternoon car line. Be sure your child knows your car line number to help speed up the afternoon loading. There is absolutely no parking in the driveway or U-turn permitted during car line.

Form two lanes as you pull into the school parking area. Follow the stop sign traffic monitor's directions to the left of the horseshoe. Be aware that cars are behind you and that you need to move up as soon as there is room - don't leave gaps of greater than 3 feet between cars. Our goal is to prevent cars from obstructing traffic flow on Main Street; the backup of cars creates a severe traffic hazard. Stay alert and not on your phone as staff help direct you out of the parking lot with hand signals such as a thumbs-up to ask if you have all students loaded. Reply with a nod or thumbs-up, and you will be permitted to pass when it is safe to do so.

Parents arriving after 3:45 pm will need to pick their children up from the school office. Be respectful and polite to traffic monitors; our teachers stand outside during all types of weather to protect YOUR children.

Sick Student Policy

HOW TO: Sick Student Policy

Thank you for doing your part to help us control the spread of illnesses by keeping your children home when they display symptoms such as fever, diarrhea or vomiting. **If your child has a fever, diarrhea, or is vomiting, they will not be able to attend school for 24 hours AFTER the symptoms go away (without medication).** This means that if your child has a fever, diarrhea, or is throwing up in the afternoon, but feels fine the next morning, they still need to stay home from school that day to continue to get better and not risk exposing other children. Once they have been free of these symptoms for 24 hours we welcome them back. Your cooperation in following these guidelines is appreciated.

Student Medications

HOW TO: Student Medications

Parents must bring medication (prescription or OTC) to and from school.

Students are not allowed to transport medication. **Medication must be in the original container with your child's name.**

Appropriate medication authorization forms **MUST** be filled out and submitted to the office before any medication can be administered. Please keep track of when refills are needed. While we do our best to contact you if it is running low, we cannot guarantee to send you a notification.

If you have left medication in the office for your student to take, stop by before the end of the year to pick up what is left. Anything not picked up will be disposed of after school is out.

If you can't find the information you are looking for in this newsletter, please visit our SCS Resources page on our school website (sherwoodcharterschool.org) where you will find useful information to help you navigate the school year, including:

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

- Academic and events school calendar
- Classroom supply lists
- Student-Parent Handbook and Uniform Policy
- School Policies
- Car line Procedures
- Synergy ParentVue
- Emergency Closures and announcements (FlashAlert)
- Enrollment information
- OneFund
- Middle School Information
- Volunteering
- Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)
- SCS Gear
- Healthy and Safe School Plan

Meet the Teachers



Kelsey Connolly, Kindergarten

Kindergarten is my favorite grade to teach because I love watching my students grow into life-long learners! My greatest priority at SCS is creating a second home for our Kindergarteners; a place where they feel comfortable to take risks, build friendships, and follow their curiosities. In my downtime, I love reading to my baby girl, Evelyn, going paddle boarding with my husband, and visiting the Oregon Coast all year around.



Marissa Bradley, 1st Grade

Joining SCS as a first grade teacher is a dream come true! I have a passion for watching young learners challenge themselves and grow in their learning, and I am eager to work together with you to help your child flourish. In my class, your child will be encouraged to be themselves, take risks, and have fun! In my downtime, I love to explore all that Oregon has to offer; whether it be the city, the coast, or the mountains!



Jan Zobrist, 2nd Grade

My passion is teaching, nurturing and caring for our next generation. I love answering their questions and supporting their growth. My family fills me with wonder and happiness every time we are together. My husband, two amazing dogs and one hamster keep me active and adventurous. When not in school I love to garden, read, camp and chase after my dogs! Fluffy (the hamster) loves to chase the dogs in her hamster ball! I look forward to every new year!



Anna DeSalvo Murphy, 3rd Grade

I feel like I have found my teaching home at SCS! I have spent the last eight years teaching in and launching a variety of educational programs. My teaching philosophy is all about student-centered learning and growing from our mistakes. Third grade is a wonderful year where we learn to work hard, have fun and develop a strong community. In my downtime, I enjoy drinking coffee and spending time with my husband, daughter, cat and dog.



Ashley Murray, 4th Grade

Joining SCS is my lifelong dream come true! I fell in love with fourth grade when I was student teaching at Portland State. In all subjects, I am a firm believer in hands on learning and teaching for the real world. I want children to find enjoyment in school and take what they learn out into the rest of the world. Finally, in my free time, I enjoy camping, reading, and playing board games.



Natalie Pepper, 5th Grade

Excited doesn't even begin to describe how I feel about teaching fifth grade! I grew up in Lake Oswego and went to the University of Oregon (GO DUCKS) for my undergrad and Lewis and Clark College for my masters program. I have many passions, but my main interest has always been mentoring in any aspect, if it's teaching, coaching, or tutoring. As you get to know me, you'll see that I'm driven, organized, dedicated, kind, but always enjoy a good laugh and having fun with my students.

Meet the Teachers



Katie Boedigheimer, Math

Teaching at SCS has been my dream come true. This will be my fifth year, and I love teaching middle school. I enjoy sharing my passion of math and have high expectations for my kids. I will also be their biggest cheerleader at school. My students are a team, we are a family, and strive to do and be our best daily. In my down time, I spend most of it with my husband, Wesley, and our three loveable dogs, Duke, Kimber, & Hadley.



Shannon Peterka, Science

I have a passion for curriculum and teaching. My philosophy is integrated and hands-on, which I feel aligns very well with a Science classroom. This is my 17th year in education and my sixth year as an SCS science teacher. The school provides a wonderful environment that fosters creativity and innovation in learning. Students are able to grow and become life-long learners. I couldn't have asked for a better place to teach!



Sarah Richard, Humanities

This will be my 6th year as an educator and I truly love working with middle school students. Social Studies was my favorite part of school and I enjoy integrating it with Language Arts as the Humanities model provides an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the world. When I am not at school, you will probably find me chasing after my two young daughters and our puppy. Spending time with my husband and children is my favorite activity.



Lauren Epifano, Art

I believe the art classroom is a place where students learn to think creatively, problem solve, express themselves and make connections to the world around them. My classroom is a place where wonder and inquiry are appreciated and that students feel safe to explore and take risks. Being able to nurture a student's creative abilities and expose them to the world of art is extremely rewarding. When I'm not teaching you'll find me enjoying time with my husband and kids, painting, taking photos or working on an interior design project.



Nora Stuckey, PE

I am passionate about teaching physical education and health. My goal is for every child here at Sherwood Charter School to develop an appreciation for physical activity and continue to be active for a lifetime. This is my 19th year in education and my 11th year teaching at SCS. Both the kiddo's and their families make SCS a great place to teach. When I am not at school you will find me spending time with family and friends.



Amanda DuPriest, Music

My passion as a musician stems from my near-constant involvement in choirs and wind ensembles since childhood, and I have dreamed of becoming a music teacher since high school. It is my goal to provide a safe, nurturing, healthy, and inspirational environment where children can grow as young musicians, and I love inspiring my students to learn more about classical music by tying it to the music they currently have in their lives, whether that is a film score, a song on the radio, or song loops from their favorite video game.

Meet the Staff



Joy Raboli, Principal

Joy has always known she wanted to be in education. After teaching 5th and 6th grade, Joy became a curriculum expert in the biology of learning and trained 9,000 teachers in 30 states. She became a national keynote speaker on creating meaningful curriculum, brain-biology for teachers and classroom management. Joy went on to create four award-winning educational videos for teachers and presented 25 week-long model teaching weeks. After life on the road, Joy returned to the classroom and taught for Greater Albany Public Schools and Salem–Keizer School Districts. Joy then went to the University of Oregon to earn her administrative credential and created the H.E.A.R.T skills, a character development program and book for teachers to use school-wide. After serving as principal of Abiqua School for six years, she became principal of Sherwood Charter School in 2012.



Angela Havlinek, Office Manager

Since beginning at Sherwood Charter School in 2014, I have enjoyed building positive relationships with the students and their families. I look forward to seeing the kids grow not only as young scholars, but also as individuals. It's exciting to be a part of their journey. I love being a member of the SCS team and value the work that each staff member contributes each day. When I'm not in the office, you can find me with my family, playing in the yard, or baking!



Cheryl McLeod, Administrative Specialist

I am thrilled to be working at SCS! Since joining the team in 2016, I have loved getting to see the students grow in confidence and knowledge. When I'm not working, I enjoy reading, hanging with my family, and trying out new recipes.



Kaylie Buchannan, Counselor

I love working as a counselor at SCS. It is my goal as a school counselor, to provide a safe and nurturing environment that promotes a passion for lifelong learning, respect for self and others, and an appreciation for individual differences. Tucker, the therapy dog, joins me at work two to three days a week. He helps students to emotionally regulate, build self confidence and reduce anxiety. When I'm not working as a school counselor, I enjoy spending time with my family, walking my three dogs, reading and dancing.



Sandy Baxter, Assistant

I'm looking forward to being part of the amazing office team at SCS. I can't wait to meet the kids and their families. It's going to be a great year! When I'm not at SCS, I enjoy spending time with my family, our dog and enjoying the great outdoors.

2018-2019 SCHOOL ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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All Teachers Report August 20
First Day for Students

All Grades K-8 September 5
1st Trimester ends November 29
2nd Trimester ends March 7
3rd Trimester ends June 5
Last Day for Students ½ day June 6

Breaks and Holiday Closures

Labor Day September 3
Veteran's Day November 12
Thanksgiving Break November 21-22
Winter Break December 20-January 3
Martin Luther King Jr. Day January 21
President's Day February 18
Spring Break March 25-29
Memorial Day May 27

SYMBOL KEY

☒ First and last day for students

● Holiday Observed

△ -End of Trimester

Non Student Days

✂ Teachers report back

◆M Middle School Conference Day

◆E Elementary Conference Days

◆ Conference Days (all grades)

■ Staff Development

In the event of school closures such as an inclement weather event during the 2018-2019 school year, June 10th, 11th, 12th have been identified as days that could be added to the school calendar as make-up days.

Approved by board April 17, 2018

[Click here to download the 2018-2019 Calendar](#)

Or go to <http://sherwoodcharterschool.org/scs-resources/events/>