



Sunset Hills Elementary School

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR | NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Dear Sunset Hills Family,

November is here and the weather is finally cooling down! We had a great October with having an opportunity to meet with parents to discuss student progress, celebrating accomplishments of our students in the awards ceremonies and having a fantastic PTO Fall Festival! There are many exciting events in November!

The state has released the 2023 school letter grades based on the A-F Accountability model, and I am thrilled to announce that Sunset Hills is an "A" school!! I am so incredibly proud of our students and staff for all of their dedication and hard work! Thank you to our parents for your continued support both in school and outside of school! We could not do this without partnering with you! It truly takes teaming together to achieve at the highest levels! Congratulations to the Sunset Hills school community on this achievement!

In honor of this upcoming Veteran's Day, our school will be recognizing the men and women who have served and/or are still serving in the Armed Forces in a school wide assembly on November 9. There will be a continental breakfast from 7:20-8:15 in the cafeteria. At 8:15, veterans will enter into the courtyard for our assembly that will begin at 8:30. We are looking forward to this extraordinary event for the veterans, families and students.

Our Thanksgiving Family Lunch is on November 17! An invitation has gone out. Please RSVP for this event no later than November 7. This is such an amazing event, and we look forward to welcoming our families to enjoy lunch together.

We are so thankful for our staff, students, and families at Sunset Hills. Thank you for continuing to partner with us in your child's education. Wishing all of our Sunset Hills families a very safe and wonderful Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,
Joey Tokhi, Principal

Academics & Leadership

Academics

Quarter 2 Progress Reports will be released on Thursday, November 9th.

NJHS

Our winning classes from the water drive are Mrs. Rockey, Mrs. Sacher and Mrs. Taylor! Great job Bobcats!



Sunset Hills NJHS in partnership with all Dysart Schools will be hosting a

FOOD DRIVE

OCTOBER 30TH - NOVEMBER 9TH

WE ARE ACCEPTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE VALLEY VIEW COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

ALL DONATIONS WILL BE COUNTED BY NJHS WITH WINNING HOMEROOMS IN EACH GRADE LEVEL



Student Council

Student Council will be helping us host our Attendance Matters Spirit Week! We will be in a contest against other schools in the district for top attendance percentages daily and for the week. Our challenge week is 11/27-12/1. Watch for daily challenges and results!

EVERY DAY COUNTS! ATTENDANCE MATTERS SPIRIT WEEK

MONDAY 11/27

Switch roles with those who take attendance. Students dress like teachers, teachers dress like students!



TUESDAY 11/28

Attendance is a BIG HIT. Wear a band shirt today!



WEDNESDAY 11/29

Attendance leads to success. Dress for success day! It is also Club/Group/ & Make-up Picture Day.



THURSDAY 11/30

Attendance is tied to great learning. Wear a tie dye shirt today!



FRIDAY 12/1

Attend today, achieve tomorrow! Wear school colors today.



Veterans Day Assembly & Breakfast



Sunset Hills is honored to be able to host our annual Veterans Day Assembly and Breakfast on Thursday, November 9th. We invite all of our Veterans and their families to join us for breakfast from 7:20-8:15 am and then stay for our whole school assembly from 8:30-9:00 am. RSVP forms were sent home last week with students and are available in the front office. They need to be returned by Friday, November 2nd. Thank you to all of our Veterans for your service!



Athletics

Cross Country

Our Cross Country Athletes continue to represent Sunset Hills at the highest level! We love watching their continued growth week after week and can't wait to see where they are by the time we get to the All District Meet on 12/9!

- **Saturday 11/4**
 - **Saturday 11/18**
 - **Saturday 12/2**
- All District Meet on 12/9**



Baseball & Softball Playoffs Begin!

Our Boys Baseball and Girls Softball have had fantastic seasons so far and are ready to start their Post Season run the week of November 6th. Bracket schedules will be posted on social media as soon as they become available. Good luck to our Bobcat athletes!



SEASON 2 SPORTS TRYOUTS

FLAG FOOTBALL COACH NEILL TUESDAY NOV. 7 THURSDAY NOV. 9 3:15-5 PM	BOYS VOLLEYBALL COACH BAKER WEDNESDAY NOV. 8 THURSDAY NOV. 9 7-8 AM
CHEER COACH LYNCH AND COACH BISBY MONDAY NOV. 13 TUESDAY NOV. 14 WEDNESDAY NOV. 15 3:15-4:30 PM	GIRLS VOLLEYBALL COACH RAMIREZ MONDAY NOV. 6 TUESDAY NOV. 7 3:15-4:30 PM

Season 2 Sports

- Important Dates:
 - Tryouts 11/6-11/13
 - Practices 11-13-12/1
 - Regular Season Games 12/4-2/2
 - Post Season Games 2/12-2/16
- Coaches:
 - Flag Football - Coach Neill
 - gordon.neill@dysart.org
 - Boys Volleyball - Coach Baker
 - kimberly.baker@dysart.org
 - Girls Volleyball - Coach Ramirez
 - brittany.ramirez@dysart.org
 - Cheer - Coach Lynch & Coach Bisby
 - kristen.lynch@dysart.org
 - mary.bisby@dysart.org

Arts



Choir

MoonRise Grades 5 & 6

Our first official fundraiser of the year will be starting on Tuesday 11/14. We will be selling Butter Braids alongside the Afterglow choir. We will be raising money for our upcoming Spring performance outing (hoping for pregame at a Phoenix Suns game). Each student has a goal of selling a minimum of 10 Butter Braids to meet our goal!

Mark your calendar for our Winter Serenade Concert at Shadow Ridge High School on Monday 12/11 at 6pm (call time 5:30).

AfterGlow Grades 7 & 8

Our first official fundraiser of the year will be starting on Wednesday 11/15. It's time for our annual Butter Braid sale! Our goal for this year is to have each student sell at least 10! Check with family, friends, teachers, and neighbors, as these are definitely hot commodities around the holidays. This month's Task Force Meeting is Tuesday 11/14, and our after school rehearsal for students traveling to Disneyland is on Wednesday 11/15.

Mark your calendars now for our Winter Serenade Concert at Shadow Ridge High School on Monday 12/11 at 7pm (call time 6:30)!



Cats Musical

We are continuing to ramp up our rehearsals, and many elements of the show are coming together! Our continued apologies about the delay with the Registration Fee link. It should be up and running very soon! Here is the link to the November Rehearsal Character/Call Sheet. Thank you for being prompt with pick-up! Students should be practicing using their script and Schoology resources every day. We are starting our Show Spirit Shirt Fundraiser, and have sent home order forms to show your Show Spirit around campus! Orders are due to the front office by Monday 11/13 (cash or check to "Sunset Hills PTO").

School Happenings

NOVEMBER

2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 In Partnership with Dysart, Sunset Hills NJHS is hosting a Community Food Drive from 10/30 - 11/9	30 1 pm Dismissal	31 Sunset Hills Spelling Bee Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30 pm	1 NJHS Mtg @ 3:15-4:00 pm Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30 pm	2 Wear Red, White & Blue Today! Veteran's Day Assembly @ 8:30 am Q2 Progress Reports Released	3 No School - Veteran's Day Observed	4 Cross Country Regional Meet @ 8 am @ CSMS
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Baseball/Softball Post-Season Begins Season 2 Try Outs - Flag Football, Boys & Girls Volleyball and Cheer						
12 1 pm Dismissal	13 1 pm Dismissal	14 Art Club (1st-4th) @ 3:15-4:30 pm	15 Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30 pm PTO Fun Day @ 3 pm	16	17 Thanksgiving Lunch	18 Cross Country Regional Meet @ 8 am @ CSMS
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
No School - Thanksgiving Break						
26	27 1 pm Dismissal	28 Art Club (5th-8th) @ 3:15-4:30 pm	29 Picture Make-Up Day & Groups/Sports Pictures Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30 pm Site Council @ 3:20	30 ROARing Student of the Month	1	2
Student Council Spirit Week - Every Day Counts						



PTO Updates



**PTO Meeting
Tue 11/7
@ 5:30 pm
(at Sunset Hills in the
iExplore Lab)**

Fall Festival Fun - Thank you PTO for an Amazing Trunk or Treat!

