

Message from the Principal

Welcome SVAE family,

Even though this seems to be a time where leadership is polarized by extremes, many examples of God's unshakable, consistent leadership is obvious. It is so refreshing to know that God does not change. He always wants the best for each student, and adult. He is evident at SVAE daily because of the obvious ways he has already influenced hearts and open doors this year. A student recently expressed wanting a clean slate, to some degree every school year is a clean "slate." But, even more importantly, it is life changing to realize that when God forgives us He wipes the "slate" clean. How undeserved and unfair in our favor!

The SVAE year begins with great excitement but also sober responsibility. SVAE is dedicated to provide the very best to each student. May God help us to all partner together as a community to develop God given talents in children to best serve Him! Please keep the communication channels open to help us know how to best serve our students.

Sincerely,

Mr. Hammond
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Upcoming Calendar Events:

August 25	5 th -8 th Grade Bell try outs 3:30-5:00
September 3-4	5 th & 6 th Grade Outdoor Education
September 3-4	7 th & 8 th Grade Spiritual Retreat
September 7	Labor Day/No School
September 15	School Picture Day
September 23	See you at the Flag pole 8am
September 21-25	MAPS Testing/Week of Worship
October 2-19	Booster Club Campaign
October 16	End of 1 st Quarter
October 26-30	Red Ribbon Week
October 29	Comm. Service Food Drop off/ 12:00 Dismissal

Arrival/Dismissal Schedule:

Attendance is taken at 8:05 a.m. Monday-Friday. **Students may arrive as early as 7:35 am** classes begin at 8 am every day. Dismissal is at 3:15 Monday-Thursday and Friday at 12 pm. Also, please follow the traffic signs and observe caution during drop-off and pick-up.

After School Care will be available again this year every day from 3:30-5:30pm Monday-Thursday and 12:15-5:30pm on Fridays. If your child is not picked up at 3:30 by default they will be going to afterschool care with charges applied even if it is for a partial hour. The program will be coordinated by Christine Reinoehl. Payments will need to be made in advance with hours used deducted from your account balance. Multiple child discounts are available. Payments can be made in the office Parents who anticipate using this service at any time this year should prepay for a few hours now. The program will include time for students to do homework, as well as fun activities. Please do not leave students in ASC unless needed. Due to COVID-19 Commonwealth regulations, ASC is limited in numbers. **Due to our limited numbers we are not allowed to have anyone under the age of 5 in aftercare this year.**

All registration forms, including signed financial contracts, need to be turned in to the office in order for your child's registration to be complete. All forms are available on the school's website (www.svaelementary.org).

Planners for grades 5-8 (\$5 each) as well as **field trip shirts** (\$14 each) are available for purchase in the school office. All students are required to wear a red field trip shirt when on field trips. Please plan on purchasing one in the office.

The annual school social/open house Has been postponed till the spring.

Private piano lessons are available this year **after school only**. If you would like to sign your child up for lessons, please contact the office.

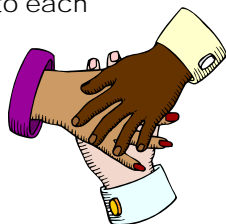
Hot lunch we are pleased to offer healthy options that will offer fresh fruits & vegetables, whole grains and fewer processed foods. Lunches need to be prepaid (daily, weekly, etc.) in the office. A small lunch will be available for \$3.00. A regular meal will be available for \$4.00. Each *Parent Bulletin* will include the menu for the following week.

We are in need of someone to help serve hot lunch Monday-Thursday 11:30-12:30. If interested please contact Adrienne in the office.

Hair length for boys should follow the following guidelines: Boys should maintain their hair length above the shirt collar, above the eyebrows, and so that part of the ear is visible. All should be in compliance by Monday, August 31.

Paper copies of this Parent Bulletin will be distributed only to families who contact the office and request them for the remainder of the year. All other families will receive copies via e-mail.

Our Annual Work Bee was a great success! Thank you to each parent, student, grandparent, church member, and friend who came to support our school!



Student Appearance: Parents, please review the policies in the handbook (“Responsibilities of Students” section) regarding hair, usage of jewelry/make-up/nail polish, and dress standards, as well as the consequences for non-compliance. For example, shorts and skirts should not be shorter than four inches above the knee. **Sweat pants and athletic shorts are not permitted during the academic day. Pull over hooded sweat shirts are not permitted.** Your child’s collar must be visible during class time. For your convenience, the handbook and dress code information sheet have been posted on our school website (www.svaeelementary.org).

Lockers for students in grades 7-8 can be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis until Monday, August 31. The locker rental fee is \$10/year. This will include a combination lock from the school. At the end of the year, when the lock is returned a \$5 refund will be given. The extra \$5 fee will go towards supporting activities sponsored by our Student Council. Any extra lockers available on Monday, September 1st will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to 6th graders and then 5th graders on Sept. 8th.

Tuition payments are due on the first of each month and are considered delinquent by the 7th of the month, at which time a \$20 late fee is assessed. **(No Exceptions)** For those families who are on a 12-month tuition payment plan, the first payment was due July 1. For those on the 10-month payment plan, the first payment was due on August 1.

No cell phones are allowed this year.

Bell ensemble tryouts for grades 5TH -8TH will be after school on Tuesday August 25 from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. with Mr. Minty. 5TH graders if you were in beginner bells last year you may try out this year.

RenWeb, our online information system which allows parents to view attendance, grade reports, homework assignments and more on any computer with Internet service will be available again this year to all families. Grade information will be available after the third week of the school year. New families will receive instructions

and training for log-in procedures for RenWeb during open house.

Home and School Association
SVAE has had a tradition of strong parent involvement. Candace Jenkins is the Home and School leader. She is in need of volunteers this year to help. Please let her know you are available to help.

Box Tops for Education
Use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10 cents for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school’s earnings online.

Amazon Smile
When shopping at Amazon, start at smile.amazon.com (select Shenandoah Valley Adventist Elementary) and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to SVAE.

After-school Pick-up: In order to allow parents to pick-up their students as quickly as possible after school, please follow these procedures:

- Stay to the right when approaching the school building.
- When your vehicle is in the “pick-up lane” beside the sidewalk in front of the school, pull your vehicle as far forward as possible. Your student(s) will walk down the sidewalk to meet your vehicle. Unless you are actively loading a student, there should not be a large space in front of your vehicle.

Parking Lot Safety Procedures:

- Please drive carefully—watching for children and vehicles when moving forward and into the “moving traffic” lane, maintaining low speeds.
- Parents who have business with the office or another staff member should park their vehicle and not use the “Pick-up lane.”
- Only pull into the “moving traffic lane” *after* you have loaded your child(ren). Please do not drive around vehicles in front of you in the line to get into the “pick-up lane” next to the sidewalk. This is important to reduce the likelihood of a run-in with another vehicle. **Also, please do not back up in the pick-up lane as this is extremely dangerous. This is important**

to reduce the likelihood of running into another vehicle or child.

Clothing Exchange:
SVAE is having a clothing exchange on Friday August 28 from 12-1 when school gets off. Bring in “x” number of clothes and get tickets to pick up “x” number of items during the swap. You may bring in “non” school items that will be to just given away to whoever needs it. You may also bring in shoe to swap. Whatever is not swapped on Friday will be taken to the mission sale on Monday.

Hot Lunch Menu: 8/24-8/28

Monday—Black beans and rice
Tuesday—Escabeche (cooked cabbage/carrots, steamed butter potatoes and Quinoa and spinach salad)
Wednesday— Subs, chips and fruit
Thursday—**Domino’s pizza**
Friday— **No hot lunch 12:00 Dismissal**

We are pleased to offer healthy options that will offer fresh fruits & vegetables, whole grains and fewer processed foods.

Small=\$3.00 (Available for Pre-K – 2nd)
Large=\$4.00 (Available for Pre-K – Adult)

Lunches need to be prepaid (for the day or the week) in the main office.



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