



Sanborn Christian School Homenote

August 27, 2026

Dear Parents,

What a joy it is to have our hallways full again! We are thankful for a wonderful start to another school year and for the new families, students, and staff God has brought to SCS. We look forward to all that He has in store for our school community this year.

We welcome quite a few new families to our school this year! –

- Brandon & Brittany Elgersma, who have a daughter, Baylor, in preschool
- Eric & Kimberly Hofland, who have a son, Brandon, in preschool
- Clint & Amy Van Beek, who have a daughter, Maelynn, in preschool
- Todd & Stefanie Van Ess, who have a son, Silas, in preschool
- Samson & Faith Nyambati, who have 2 daughters, Hope in 7th grade and Grace in 5th grade, and a son, Jonathan who is in 2nd grade.
- Hugo & Ana Tovar who have 2 sons, Abdiel in 2nd grade and Joseph in 7th grade.

We welcome you all and pray for God's blessing on your families as you partner with SCS!

New Staff Members: We are also excited to announce some new faculty members to SCS this year! Marissa Maas has joined us as the 2nd grade teacher, Missi Runia as Academic Assistance, and Jeremy Mills as Principal! Please make time to welcome them to our SCS family if you haven't had the opportunity to do that yet.

JMC: We encourage parents to continue to log in to JMC throughout the 2026-2027 school year to stay up to date with your student's progress. Parents who have students in grades 5-8 are encouraged to set missing work and/or grade alerts for their students, if that would be a potential concern for you. If you have any questions about JMC or need help with your login, please contact the office.

Summer Reading Slips: Summer Reading Slips were due TODAY, August 27. Thank you for encouraging and promoting reading in your homes during the summer months!! It will take some time to get the rewards of books, bookmarks, and candy to arrive.

Junior High "Back to School Note" signature pages are expected to be **signed and returned by tomorrow: Friday, August 29** for students in Grades 5-8.

ESAs - The current step that is needed is for families to log into your ESA Odyssey account and accept the tuition amount. If you have not completed this step, please consider doing so soon. September 30 is the deadline set by the State to accept the tuition amounts, and if not accepted by that date, the ESA funds for the 2026/2027 school year will no longer be available for that student.

We are looking for **volunteers to help run the scoreboard for home games!** Dates that will need to be covered are: Sept 8, Sept 15, Sept 24, Sept 29, & Oct 8. Please reach out to Heather Bakker or Mrs. Moser if you are willing and able to help with any of these dates! Thank you!

Hot Lunch Participation Reminder: At registration in July, parents signed a hot lunch agreement that indicated whether or not your child would participate in hot lunch this school year. Please remember that **hot lunch is a "semester by semester decision"** and students are technically "not allowed to switch back and forth daily, weekly, or monthly". For cold lunch students, there are some potential exceptions (like the Thanksgiving Meal) where they could have the choice to have hot lunch for the day, but again,

those opportunities are the exceptions not the norm. Families are welcome to take "Milk only", if you are interested in this, please contact the office as soon as possible so we can make those changes.

Parents: If you would like a non-aspirin pain reliever available for your child at school, please label it with your child's/children's name and bring it to the office. Thank you.

All-School Chapel: Our next All-School Chapel is scheduled for Thursday, September 10!

Missing Registration Forms: The office is still missing some registration forms from families. A note will be sent home with your student in the near future, if you are missing any forms. **Please return those forms to the office as soon as possible.** Thank You!

School Bell Mailings: If you wish to have grandparents and/or other family members receive the School Bell, please fill out the form that is being sent home this week and return it to the office by September 9. Even if your grandparent already receives a mailing, please fill out the form again so that we can update our list.

Silage Piles - it may seem like it is too early to talk about these, but we are planning on covering some piles again this fall. Please make yourself available to help at these piles as we anticipate needing groups of 40-60 people per pile. We will be sending out more information about these dates as we receive them. Remember that there is not a lot of advanced warning for covering these piles, so we really do appreciate your flexibility.

- ***The funds that SCS receives for covering these piles goes directly towards reducing the overall cost of education at SCS for your children. The parental "out of pocket" tuition expense is reduced because of these piles, therefore your participation at as many piles as possible would be appropriate. Please plan on participating.***

A reminder to the parents and students of the dress code for SCS. Students should strive to present a positive appearance at all times. Shorts may be worn, but should be longer length shorts. No biking shorts. All slogans, products, etc. on clothing must not be offensive to Christian good taste. No bare midriffs are allowed. Any student who does not dress appropriately may be sent home or parents called to bring alternative attire, at the discretion of the staff. Please refer to the parent handbook that is available on the SCS website. If you wish to have a paper copy of the handbook, please ask at the front office.

Athletic Physicals: All students in grades 5-8 need an athletic physical for participation in sports for the 2026-2027 season. If your child has had a physical please bring it to the school office or if you need a copy of the physical form please contact the school or it may be obtained from your doctor.

Harvest Sale: The Harvest Sale is scheduled for **Saturday, November 7** and will be right around the corner. If you wish to donate to this, please bring your donation to the school! Donations are greatly appreciated. Be sure to join us for a day of "FUN"draising for our school!

Thank You:

...to **everyone who came out to help during the school cleaning nights.** Your help was greatly appreciated!

...to **all who supported Sanborn Christian's Annual Golf Tournament!**

...to **all who organized and supported the annual 5k Run** during Railroad Days!

...to **all who were part of the SCS float** in the Railroad Days parade!!

...to **Sanborn Chiropractic** for keeping the Cash & Carry SCRIP for the summer!

...to **Vander Haag's Inc.** for their work on our buses once again!

...to **Sybesma Graphics** and their time and work on, and the design of the upcoming SCS theme shirt for 26.27!

NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH MENU:

Monday: Scalloped Potatoes & Ham, Bread, Green Beans, Oranges
Tuesday: Meat & Cheese Burrito, Spanish Rice, Pepper Strips, Peaches
Wednesday: Sheet Pan Pancakes, Sausage, Yogurt, Banana
Thursday: Grilled ham & Cheese, Potato Wedges, Tropical Fruit
Friday: Bacon Cheeseburger Noodle Casserole, Dinner Roll, Peas, Apples

Scrip News:

Orders will be ready for pick up after 9 am, Friday, Aug 28 at school.

Next order- Aug 31

No order- Sept 7

Reminder: Sanborn Foods has requested that we do not add balances to accounts.

You may continue to use the balance if you have one, or use gift cards. There are a couple gift cards available in Cash & Carry.

Watch the Bonus Calendar to know what is happening on RaiseRight!

<https://www.raiseright.com/resources/organization/bonus-event-calendar>

Scrip Order Dates: (Dates may change, watch email.

- Aug 31
- Sept 14, 21 **(NO ORDER Sept 7 & 28)**
- Oct 5, 12, 19, 26

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE! PLEASE WATCH E-MAIL & FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES!

Bonuses

Texas Roadhouse- 10% (8%)
BWW- 12% (8%)
Chili's- 15% (10%)
Pizza Ranch- 10% (8%)

Check out RaiseRight app or RaiseRight.com for a complete listing!
Don't forget the ship to home option that is available for some gift cards!

Reminder: **All orders** must be **submitted** by **12pm** on **Monday's!** If you place an online order, please have payment to school by 9 am on Tuesday.

Reminder: Please double check your orders as soon as you receive them to make sure everything is correct. If you find an error with your order, please notify Heather Bakker immediately so I can do my best to get it corrected for you!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 28	VB Practice
August 31	VB Practice
September 1	VB Practice
September 3	VB Practice
September 4	VB Practice
September 7	No School - Labor Day
September 3	6th Grade Outdoor Classroom - busing is provided
September 5	Jill VW Birthday!
September 8	VB @ Home vs. Sheldon @ 4:00pm
September 10	Arlen H Birthday!
September 10	VB Practice
September 11	VB Practice
September 15	VB @ Home vs. HPRCS @ 4pm
September 16	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm
September 17	VB Practice
September 22	7th VB ONLY @ Ireton (1 game) @ 4pm
September 23	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm
September 24	Ashley H Birthday!
September 24	7th VB ONLY @ Home vs. Inwood (1 game) @ 4pm
September 28	VB Practice
September 29	VB @ Home vs. HCS @ 4pm
September 30	Laura H Birthday!
October 1,2	No School - Heartland Teacher Convention
October 5	VB Practice
October 6	VB @ Sheldon @ 4pm
October 7	<u>School Picture Day!</u>
October 8	VB @ Home vs. SCCS @ 4pm
October 11	Steph K Birthday!
October 12	VB Practice
October 13	VB Practice
October 14	Early Dismissal @ 2pm
October 15	VB @ RVCS @ 4pm
October 19	VB Practice
October 20	VB @ OCCS @ 4pm
October 22	VB Practice
October 23	End Q1 - Dismiss @ 2:00pm
October 24	VB Tournament @ WCHS - Transportation on your own
October 28	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm
November 7	Harvest Sale

Sincerely,

Jeremy Mills, Administrator

