

Susquehanna Valley High School

SABER NEWS

November 2024

From the Administration

As we wrap up the first quarter, I'm excited to share that students are off to a strong start. It can be difficult to get back into the swing of school, but they are there! We had a successful **Homecoming**, the **Kindergarten & Senior event** was amazing, and the **HS Concert and Trunk or Treat** were great! Groups of students have also been on many field trips, including trips to local businesses, SUNY Broome, and SUNY Cortland! It has been a busy October!

We have some exciting events on the horizon. **SUNY Broome Instant Admit Day** is approaching, providing seniors with a great opportunity to kick-start their college plans. We're also excited to begin the second year of our **Donnelly Mentoring Program**, which pairs high school students (grades 9-12) with elementary students (grades K-5). This program is designed to build connections and strengthen our Saber bonds. As mentors and mentees get to know one another, they will form friendships, learn from each other, and enhance school spirit across all grade levels!

As we get ready for Thanksgiving break, we also wanted to say that we're so thankful for each of you! We want to share how much we appreciate all of you who help keep things running smoothly at school and at home. With your support, we've re-established the important routines that help students feel grounded and ready for school each day. Being here each day really makes a difference in building a strong, connected school community! Please continue to keep your child healthy and send them to school unless they are truly ill. Every day in school provides valuable opportunities for learning and connecting with peers and teachers.

Important Dates:

November 3
Daylight Savings Time ends

November 4
SUNY Broome Instant Admit Day

November 6
HS Picture Retake Day

November 8
HS ASVAB Test @ 8:00 a.m.

November 10
SVTA Holiday Craft Fair-
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. HS Gym

November 11
Veterans Day
No School
All Buildings Closed

November 12
2 hour delay for Professional Development

November 19
NHS Induction @ 7:00 p.m.

November 20
Board of Education meeting
@ 6:00 p.m.

November 27-29
Thanksgiving Break
No School
All Buildings Closed 28-29

We are especially grateful for:

- Our students and families who make school a priority, showing up every day and supporting each other.
- Our teachers, counselors, aides and health staff who bring warmth, skill, and dedication to every student they work with.
- Our behind-the-scenes team—office staff, cafeteria staff, custodians, and maintenance crew—who keep our school running smoothly day in and day out.

I hope the upcoming days off bring rest, joy, and time with loved ones. Thank you for your ongoing partnership and for all you do!



Assistant Principal News

Dear Families,

I'd like to share a friendly reminder about the importance of arriving to school on time. Starting the day promptly not only sets a positive tone but also ensures that students are present for all essential instruction, especially those crucial first minutes of each period. First period begins right at 7:40 a.m., so please encourage your child to be mindful of their morning routine and the clock. We truly appreciate your support in helping our students develop strong habits around punctuality. Together, let's keep each day on track for success!

Thank you,
Zach Tarnowski
Assistant Principal, SVHS

News from the Guidance Office

November 2024



As previously published - the ASVAB will be given to all 10th grade students and some registered Jr/Sr students on November 8, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. This aptitude test helps your child see how interests, abilities, and personal preferences match career opportunities. When taken in the 10th grade there is NO commitment to the military, it is strictly used as a career development tool and will aid in guiding student decisions regarding post high school plans. It is a self-paced test that usually takes students an hour and a half to complete, however students are allotted two and a half hours if needed. Please assure your child arrives at school with a fully charged Chromebook (as they should everyday).



The FAFSA is projected to open in December 2024. We recommend starting the application by late December and completing it as soon as possible. Many schools have a priority deadline to award aid so students should not delay.

New York State recently adopted an amendment which requires that each school district shall ensure verification from the parent or guardian of a student who is a senior (or from the student where the student is 18 years of age or older or legally emancipated) that the student either: (1) completed the free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) or, if applicable the Jose Peralta New York State Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act application; **or** (2) completed a Waiver indicating that the parent or guardian (or student, as applicable), understands what the FAFSA or, if applicable, the DREAM Act application are, and has chosen not to file an such application. Counselors will work with students and families on this initiative.

Shante Middleton (from Talent Search) continues to be available at SVHS from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on alternating Wednesdays to provide individualized assistance in completing the FAFSA and TAP applications. We will schedule students to meet with her, and welcome parents to participate. Please call the Counseling Office at 607-775-9115 if you'd like to make an appointment.

FAFSA Completion Steps:

1. Create a FSA ID at <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>.
2. Complete the FAFSA at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.
3. Complete the TAP application if attending a NYS school at <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/find-aid/nys-grants-scholarships/tuition-assistance-program-tap/>.
4. Complete the CSS profile, if necessary, at <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/>.

**Senior Information:**

Counselors are meeting with seniors to discuss post-secondary plans. Students that are:

- College-bound should have a list of colleges they plan to apply to,
- Work-bound should bring a list of jobs they are interested in and
- Military-bound should let us know what branch they are interested in. They should also take the ASVAB on November 8, 2024!

Your counselor will help finalize these lists and assist with the application process.

**Instant Admit Day**

All Seniors will be participating in SUNY Broome's Instant Admit Day on Monday, November 4, 2024 in the High School Auditorium. Please be prepared by having your Chrome-book charged and your Social Security Number available.

SAT and ACT

There is still time for college-bound seniors to take the SAT or ACT. While some schools have a test-optional policy, there are schools and programs that require SAT or ACT scores. Both exams have fall test dates!

SAT:

<u>SAT Test Date</u>	<u>Regular Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>
December 7, 2024	November 22, 2024	November 26, 2024
March 8, 2025	February 21, 2025	February 25, 2025
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025	April 22, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025	May 27, 2025

***Please note: SV is not a testing site, so students will have to take the exam at a neighboring high school such as Binghamton HS, Vestal HS, Maine-Endwell HS or CVHS.**

ACT:

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline Late Fee Applies After This Date	Late Registration Deadline	Photo Upload and Standby Deadline
December 14, 2023	November 8	November 22	December 6
February 8, 2025	January 3	January 20	January 31
April 5, 2025	February 28	March 16	March 28
June 14, 2025	May 9	May 26	June 6
July 12, 2025*	June 6	June 20	July 4

Preparing for the SAT/ACT:

Students should familiarize themselves with the test(s) and create a study plan. Here are some tips on how to prepare for the SAT/ACT:

- Khan Academy
- This is a free, personalized, online study tool. Khan Academy has partnered with College Board to deliver a tailored guide to the SAT based on the student's PSAT results. If a student took the PSAT in October, they can link their results to Khan Academy!
- SAT Practice Tests: - <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/full-length-practice-tests>

ACT Practice Tests: <https://academy.act.org/>

Please check with the schools you are interested in for the most up-to-date information. If you are still interested in taking the SAT/ACT, you must register online at www.collegeboard.org for the SAT or www.actstudent.org for the ACT. SV is not a testing site, but our students can test at local

Online Threats & School Safety

Recently, there has been an increase in social media threats impacting schools in the area. It's important to be aware that threats—whether made as jokes, pranks, or more serious actions—carry significant risks and real consequences. Sharing and reposting the threat via social media platforms only spreads misinformation and creates public alarm.

Report: Don't Repost

If your child sees or hears something alarming—either online or in person—please encourage them to report it to a trusted adult, school staff, or law enforcement immediately. Early reporting can help keep our schools safe.

How You Can Help

Parents, we need your support:

- Talk to your child about the seriousness of making or sharing threats.
- Monitor social media use and encourage open communication.
- Remind them that reposting or sharing threats also carries consequences.
- Do not repost, share, or promote the threat on social media. Contact school officials or law enforcement.

Key Points to Remember:

- **Safety First:** Our top priority is the safety of all students, staff, and our community.
- **Consequences Are Serious:** Making or sharing threats can lead to criminal charges, school suspensions, or even expulsion.
- Law enforcement and school districts immediately investigate every reported threat using all available resources.
- **It's a Crime:** Any threat, whether direct, implied, or shared, is taken seriously and can result in:
 - Arrest and prosecution.
 - Permanent records affecting future opportunities.
 - Disciplinary action according to the district's Code of Conduct

Together, through awareness and communication, we can keep our schools safe.

If you have any questions, please contact your school principal or counselor.





FALL INTO Healthcare

NOV 6, 5-7PM

LOCAL BUSINESSES | COLLEGE FACULTY | HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

6-9TH GRADE STUDENTS & FAMILIES: LEARN
MORE ABOUT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND
THE PATHWAYS TO ACHIEVE DESIRABLE
CAREERS IN THE HEALTHCARE FIELD

SEE YOU IN THE **DECKER HEALTH SCIENCE
CENTER ON SUNY BROOME'S CAMPUS!**



School to Careers
Partnership
of Broome and Tioga Counties

SUNY BROOME

RSVP: PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW OR COPY AND
PASTE IN YOUR BROWSER TO REGISTER:

<https://forms.gle/5PkycdZxkzvPwaHbA>



IF YOU NEED ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE ACCESSIBILITY RESOURCES OFFICE
AT ARO@SUNYBROOME.EDU OR 607-778-5150 TO DISCUSS YOUR NEEDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

REPORT *DON'T* REPOST

A message from
The Broome County
Sheriff's Office and
The Broome County
District Attorney

If you see a threat, either posted on social media or in person,
REPORT IT to a trusted adult, school official, school resource
officer or law enforcement immediately.

RE-POSTING and ***SHARING*** a threat on social media is not a notification.
It causes further panic, misinformation and in some cases,
makes the sharer an accessory to the crime of making a threat.

IMPORTANT:

**Making a threat against a school generates significant
law enforcement and school resources to investigate.**

Every threat is fully investigated with all available resources.

**Making threats against a school may result in criminal charges
and disciplinary action by the school.**

To report a threat, contact your local school,
school resource officer, local police department
or the Broome County Sheriff's Office at 607-778-1191.



Europe 2026 Trip - Limited Spots Available



Our trip is almost full. If you are interested in going, please sign up as soon as possible. When the trip is full, EF Tours will start a waitlist.

Trip Overview:

We will be traveling to Italy and Greece in July 2026 and you can join us! We will fly to Rome, Italy to start our adventure. After spending three days enjoying the food, sites and culture of Rome & Pompeii, we will then jet off to Athens, Greece. We will see all the historic sights in and around Athens and Delphi and then board a cruise ship to spend the last four days of our tour cruising the Aegean Sea. Our cruise ship will be visiting Mykonos, Rhodes, Santorini and Ephesus, Turkey. We will depart for home from Athens.

Link to our Tour Enrollment Page:

www.eftours.com/2750816TH

If you have any questions, please contact the trip leaders:

Laura Retzlaff - High School Room 23 / Jody Butts - High School Room 29
lretzlaf@svsabers.org / jbutts@svsabers.org



Keep Your Child On Track in Middle and High School: Pay Attention to Attendance

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation.
- Frequent absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with school work, dealing with a bully or facing some other difficulty.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9th grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores.
- Missing 10%, or 2 days a month, over the course of the school year, can affect a student's academic success.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Make school attendance a priority

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Help your children maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and non-urgent related medical appointments during the school day.
- Keep your student healthy. If you are concerned about a contagious illness, call your school or health care provider.
- If your children must stay home because they are sick, make sure they have asked teachers for resources and materials to make up for the missed learning time in the classroom.

Help your teen stay engaged

- Find out if your children feel engaged by their classes, and feel safe from bullies and other threats.
- Make sure your teens are not missing class because of challenges with behavioral issues or school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, contact the school and work with them to find a solution.
- Monitor your teen's academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors when necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.
- Encourage your child to join meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs.
- Support your students if you notice signs of anxiety, and if needed, seek advice from your school or health provider.

Communicate with the school

- Know the school's attendance policy – incentives and penalties.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up.
- Seek help from school staff, other parents, or community agencies if you need support.

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Visit Attendance Works at www.attendanceworks.org for free downloadable resources and tools!

Peer Leader's 5th Annual

**Volley for Mental Health
Volleyball Tournament**

Will be held on

Friday, November 15th

3:30 Pm

Watch for sign-ups!



GRADUATE with the SEAL of BILITERACY

The New York State SEAL of BILITERACY recognizes students who have studied and attained a high proficiency in two or more languages by high school graduation.

Seal of Biliteracy

Bilingual Education

World Languages

Proficient in English and Spanish

More languages mean better career and college opportunities:

Earn the Seal of Biliteracy!

NYSED Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages: OEBWL.nysed.gov or The Regional Bilingual Education Network: BENet.nysed.gov

www.nysed.gov or www.sealofbiliteracy.net

SVTA Craft Fair and Bake Sale

There will be over 50 tables of crafts, face painting and snacks!

Any questions, please contact thoward@svsabers.org.

Please join us for our next meeting which will be held via zoom on Monday, November 18, 2024. We will be covering all details pertaining to our next fundraiser which will be starting the week of November 25, 2024. We will be raffling 3 scratch off lotto boards!

We are asking that our senior families donate scratch off lotto tickets to fill our boards. Please send them in with your senior student, or drop them off at the High School Main Office. Senior students will begin selling their raffle tickets November 25, 2024 through the date of drawing which will be Friday, December 20, 2024.



Susquehanna Valley High School

Thanksgiving Fundraiser 2024



This year we will collect monetary donations to support families in our district. Each 1st period will collect money. When a student brings in a donation of at least \$1, they can hang a turkey on their classroom door. The "Turkey Contest" will end on Friday, November 22, at 8 a.m. We will come to each room after 8 a.m. to collect monetary donations.

The class who earns the most turkeys will receive a breakfast party of their choosing (bagels, donuts, or pizza) from the Student Council and Peer Leaders on Monday, November 25, during 1st period.

If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Heslin, Student Council Advisor or Heather Fitzgerald, Peer Leaders Advisor.



Have a Local Public Library Card?

Then you can borrow eBooks and Audio Books from the Four County Library System's Collection.

To learn how:

<https://www.thebcpl.org/ebooks-and-audiobooks>

To apply for a library card online:

<https://www.thebcpl.org/get-card>



If you or your students have any questions about borrowing eBooks & audiobooks from our local public libraries please see Ms. Westgate, H.S. Librarian or email her at pwestgat@svsabers.org

The High School Librarian is IN!

The physical library is closed for construction, but your student can still:

-Access our free Research Databases
(www.svsabers.org/LibraryMediaCenter.aspx)

-Borrow eBooks from our SORA account
(<https://launchpad.classlink.com/svsabers>)

-Borrow print books during lunch.



Please email Ms. Westgate if you have any questions:
pwestgat@svsabers.org

Saber Stage Productions Presents

Susquehanna Valley High School

1040 Conklin Road, Conklin, NY



HADESTOWN

TEEN EDITION

is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Corp. www.concordtheatricals.com

February 21, 22 7:00 pm

February 23 2:00 pm

All Tickets \$10.00



saberstageproductions.ludus.com

Book, Music & Lyrics by Anaïs Mitchell

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National Honor Society

November 2024

Induction Ceremony

- All applicants will receive letters of acceptance the first week of November.
- The induction ceremony will be November 19, at 7 p.m.
- All current members are required to attend, arrive at 6:30 p.m. and stay through the reception.
- Mandatory dress rehearsal for the Induction Ceremony will be Monday November 18, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Please have a ride home!

Meetings

- Due to students not in the building for BOCES/New Visions our meetings will predominantly be held at 2:25 p.m. Plenty of notice will be given and students are expected to attend.
- Please communicate when you are unable to attend a meeting.

NHS Dues

- NHS dues are mandated by the organization.
- They are \$20 per year for all current and new members.
- Seniors - pay by January 1, 2025 and you will receive your cord for free. Otherwise it will cost you \$13.50 to purchase.
- Cash or checks payable to **SV NHS**.
- Bring dues to Mrs. Perkins ASAP!

Community Service Hours

- Students in NHS are required to complete 20 hours of community service per year by June. Current members should have 10 completed by January 2025.
- New members must have 10 hours completed by May 2025.
- There is a digital copy of the form in the Google Classroom and plenty of hard copies outside of Mrs. Perkins' room
- There will be posts in the GC for updated service hour opportunities.

As always, please reach out with any questions or concerns anytime! I am looking forward to a productive year!

Jenn Perkins : jperkins@svsabers.org



Krispy Kreme Fundraiser

- Thank you for all your support as we made the final fundraiser of the year a huge success!

Homecoming Court

- Congratulations to our Homecoming King and Queen - Danny Petryszyn and Addisen Cokley, and the rest of the Homecoming Court!

Homecoming Float

- Congratulations to the Class of 2025 for once again WINNING the Float competition.
- Thank you to all who donated their supplies and their time, and a special thank you to the Rosenkrans family for once again providing their trailer and their time.

Class Dues

- If you have not paid any class dues as of yet, they are now \$55.
- This will go up to \$60 in January if left unpaid.
- *Class dues are paid by every student and help cover senior event costs .*

Your Class Advisors,
Dan Simonds & Elizabeth Strnatka
dsimonds@svsabers.org & estrnatk@svsabers.org

JUNIORS

Class of 2026

Communication

- **NEW**—we will be using **ParentSquare** this year for communication. Please have the app downloaded on your phone.

Fundraisers

- Thank you to those who supported the holiday wreath and poinsettias fundraiser!
- Orders will be arriving **Wednesday, December 4.**
- **Parents and students MUST** plan a way to pick orders up and take them home to be distributed to buyers that **same day!**

Class Dues

- Class dues of **\$10 for junior year** are due now! These help pay for all senior activities.
- **If you have not paid for your freshman and/or sophomore year dues**, you will also be responsible for paying these (\$15 late due fees).
- **Checks** should be made out to **SV Class of 2026.**

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to Alyson Herman or Hailie Balachick.

Your Class Advisors,
Alyson Herman and Hailie Balachick
aherman@svsabers.org & hbalachi@svsabers.org



Sophomores

Class of 2027

Please sign up for Parentsquare. This is the best way to get information out, and can be accessed in a variety of ways. We will no longer be using Remind. Students, there is a Student Square for you, as well as our Google Classroom.

Homecoming/Halloween 2024 is a wrap! A HUGE thank you to all the parents, families, and students who helped our “Clue” murder mystery float to life, and thank you to parents who donated candy for the various fall activities this month. It was truly a great turn out, and fun times for all.

Our next fundraising event will begin on November 1, 2024. We are selling the **Save Around coupon books** again. The sale will run through November 15. More details to follow, and order forms with one book will be passed out after our next class meeting (November 1 during saber time). Updates will also be posted on Parentsquare.

Students - please make passes for the 11/1 meeting at 10:25 a.m.!

Lastly, please do not forget about class dues. The payment schedule is posted below. As always, do not hesitate to reach out if you are unsure about the dues that are owed. We are happy to help. **The cheapest option is to pay for all 4 years at once, and it will cost \$45 until this winter break!**

Year	September-December	Paid For All 4 Years	January-June	Paid For All 4 Years
Sophomore	\$25	\$45	\$30	\$50
Junior	\$40	\$50	\$45	\$55
Senior	\$55	\$55	\$60	\$60

All checks should be made out to “SV Class of 2027.”

Please feel free to reach out with any questions. Thank you for your endless support!

Your class advisors,

Mackenzie Barker and Jennifer Potter
mbarker@svsabers.org & jpotter@svsabers.org



Advisors: Shirley Goodman and Michelle Howland

What a great time we all had at the homecoming parade and the dance! We also did very well with our concessions sales that night. We participated in the Spooktacular where volunteers treated the children to Halloween goodies. Right now, we are in the middle of our Spirit Sock fundraiser. See the flier on page 21 to order! Your officers are discussing more fundraising ideas and also considering designs for your class of 2028 T-Shirts.



Class of 2028 Spirit Sock

Fundraiser \$15.00 Last Day Nov 8th.



**Complete Your Friday
Saber Outfit**

with

Spirit Socks

See Your Friendly Freshman
or

Scan to order!





High School Music News November 2024

December Performance

The High School Concert will take place on Thursday, 12/19/24, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Music Department Trip

Families of students who are going on the Hershey Park competition trip, look for information coming home soon!

Fundraising

The High School Music Department is currently raising money for our spring Hershey Park Performance Trip.

Frozen Food Sale: Cookie Dough, Pies, Cheese Cake, and so much more! Items will arrive just in time for the December Holidays!! All forms must be turned in to Mrs. Miller by **November 13**. Any questions, contact Mrs. Miller.

Bake Sale: 11/10 at the SVTA Craft Fair. **We will work from 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the HS Gym.** All items will be sold at the price of a donation.

Please consider helping by working at the table, baking, buying baked goods to donate, or all of the above. Sign up by scanning the QR Code below or going to <https://forms.gle/vx2RoNdFYXTGdvtX8>. Contact Mrs. Olds at mold@svsabers.org with questions.

Reminders

- * Baked goods must include an ingredients list, whether homemade or store bought (the store label is fine, or if it is a mix, bring the box).
- * If you can, please cut up/package the items into individual servings (ex. cut brownies and put one each into a ziploc bag).
- * You can drop items off on Friday 11/8/24 at the HS.

Concert Attire

All students in all High School Music Ensembles are required to wear the following for performances. We have a concert closet! Please contact your ensemble director if you need assistance in obtaining these items.

- Black dress pants
- Black dress shirt
- Black dress socks/shoes

Scholarships

Throughout the year, a variety of music scholarships are offered to area students. Keep your eye on our Google Classrooms for applications and deadlines. These are posted as they are received by the music faculty.

Are you considering purchasing a musical instrument?

If you are considering purchasing a musical instrument AT ANY LEVEL of your student's musical education, please take a moment to assure a great **investment** for your musical future.

A quality instrument:

- Is made by a company with a long-standing history of quality. Examples of band instruments include, but are not limited to, Yamaha, Conn-Selmer, Bach, Geimenhardt, Fox-Renard, and Buffet. For orchestra, examples include Shen and Eastman. Even certain models from these manufacturers and from certain dates may have known concerns.
- Comes with a warranty. Read the fine print on websites VERY carefully, as many sites include no warranty.
- Is made of materials that meet industry standards. Be particularly aware of lacquer quality.
- Many quality used instruments are available, even at the local level. As students progress and upgrade to intermediate and professional level horns, they will often sell their excellent student models at a great discount! Local stores and private music teachers should be your FIRST stop to find these instruments. If you see one online, check with your teacher FIRST before making an offer.

Be careful of off-brand/colored instruments. Our district's experience shows:

- Repair costs are significantly higher. Repair parts can be difficult to obtain. Many times, the cost of making the instrument playable is more than the purchase price.
- Instruments are often unable to be tuned, increasing frustration for students and making them inappropriate for use in band and orchestra.
- Colored lacquers often chip quickly. Be aware of the current issues in regards to lead paint on imported products.
- Questionable materials may be in the metal. The metal is often weak and bends easily – even being damaged as musicians put the instrument together.
- These instruments are often found in store and warehouse catalogs, or on non-music store websites.

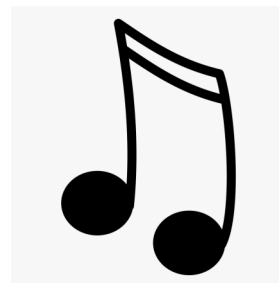
Always consult with your student's music teacher about what instrument will best fit their needs, and where to find the instrument. Teachers will also offer their professional guidance regarding instruments that you are considering.

Remember – you get the quality you pay for!

BAKE SALE SIGN UP HERE



All students going to Hershey Park should plan to bake and/or work at the Bake Sale!



Senior Photos and Grad Ads for the Yearbook

Please be advised of the following important dates regarding your child's senior year deadlines for Yearbook submissions:

Senior Portraits

Schedule your **senior portrait** to ensure proper delivery to the school. Senior portraits are **due Friday, December 6**. Failure to meet this deadline may result in an absence of a senior portrait. Picture days were September 19-20 at the high school. If you were unable to schedule a senior portrait, or attend these days, November 6, (our retake day) is an opportunity to get a senior photo. Seniors need to get their photo taken on these dates to receive an ID card. No costumes or props will be allowed for photos.

Portrait Requirements

Senior Portraits must be submitted electronically (CD, email jpeg, USB). The digital image must be a resolution of 300 dpi and the color mode must be RGB. The image should be sized to a 5x7 image to ensure proper clarity. The yearbook is an all-color book so please plan accordingly when choosing a photo for the yearbook. To maintain a consistent look, only head and shoulders will be in the yearbook photo. No costumes or props will be allowed for photos. Photos submitted should be in color and with a simple background. The SVHS yearbook reserves the right to refuse a photo not meeting specifications.

Senior portraits are due Friday, December 6.

All electronic submissions are to be sent to Mr. Dana Zietz at dzietz@svsabers.org. If submitting in person, please see Mr. Zietz in room 22 in the High School. Any picture received after the due dates listed are not guaranteed to be in the yearbook. It is the student's responsibility to check with their studio to see if the studio has submitted the senior portrait to Susquehanna Valley. Portraits from Sean Murphy Studios will automatically be sent to the school.

For the 2024-2025 school year, our yearbook photo contract is with Sean Murphy Studios. They offer free yearbook sessions in their Binghamton studio for all Susquehanna Valley seniors. Sean Murphy Studios also offers full senior sessions which include the sitting and a selection of prints or digital images starting at only \$100. Many of their senior portrait collections include multi-location sessions with custom photoshop graphics, personal smartphone apps, and some even include 50 free prints! For more information, please visit: <https://www.seanmurphystudios.com/svsabers> or call 607-203-9043.

We encourage your child to schedule an appointment with Sean Murphy Studios **because it helps defray the cost of the yearbook.**



SVHS approved alternate professional photographers:

Jim Pavlik

Pavlik Photo and Design
970 Conklin Road
607-779-2220

Email is: jim@jimpavlikphotography.com
fb: Pavlik Photo and Design
website: [Pavlik Photo and Design.com](http://PavlikPhotoandDesign.com)

Karen Bixby

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Grad Ads

Grad Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. In addition, revenues from Grad Ads help our school create a better yearbook. This is optional, has an additional cost, and must be created online at Jostens.com. To purchase your ad online, please go to Jostens.com and follow the instructions on the website. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication.



Please get Grad Ads done as soon as possible!

Grad Ads are due February 9, 2025.

Yearbooks can be purchased through Jostens.com

November 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Word of the Month: Gratefulness				1 Day 4	2
3 	4 Day 5 SUNY Broome Instant Admit Day	5 Day 6	6 Day 1 Picture Retake	7 Day 2	8 Marking Period Ends Day 3 ASVAB @ 8:00 a.m.	9
10 SVTA Holiday Craft Fair 9-2	11 	12 Grades due by 3 p.m. Day 4 2 hour Delay (PD)	13 Day 5 Amphenol Aerospace Trip	14 Day 6	15 Day 1	16
17	18 Day 2 SUNY Broome EDU Trip to Donnelly	19 Day 3 BOCES Engineering Day NHS Induction @ 7:00 p.m.	20 Day 4 BoE Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.	21 Day 5	22 Day 6	23
24	25 Day 1 Grade change notes due!	26 Day 2	27 28 29 <div> Thanksgiving Break All Buildings Closed Nov. 28-29 </div>			30 