



Head of the Class

May 7, 2023

"A good education can change anyone, a good teacher can change everything." - Unknown

Message from our Head of School

Dear Sussex Academy Families,

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week! This week we celebrate our teachers. Sussex Academy would not be the school it is today without the hard work and dedication of our amazing teachers and I am personally grateful for all they do.

The Delaware Department of Education wants to also help us show appreciation for the great educators at Sussex Academy. You can share shoutouts using the hashtag #iloveDEteachers on your social media posts and by tagging DDOE so your shoutouts can be shared. Shoutouts can also be sent to school.appreciation@doe.k12.de. Please include:

- Name of the teacher you want to celebrate
- message you would like to share

- optional: short videos, photos or student drawings (NOTE: Only appropriate items will be accepted/included)

Fundraisers:

- The Baseball Team is raffling a loaded Yeti Cooler. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25.
- The Class of 2024 is raising money for their senior trip. There are two chance auctions going on now until the drawings on June 2. One chance auction is for over \$250 worth of skincare products, [flier linked here](#). The second chance auction is for a beach bag of beach- and SPF-related items worth \$238, [flier linked here](#). Tickets for both are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20. Contact Sara Messina for tickets: sara.messina@saas.k12.de.us. Thanks for supporting our students!

The VSP Vision Eyes of Hope gift certificate program operates nationally through the National Association of School Nurses to provide access to eye care for school-age children in need.

- VSP gift certificates cover a comprehensive eye exam and, if prescribed, new glasses at a VSP network doctor's office.
- The school nurse can provide students who qualify with a certificate to receive vision care at no cost to the school or student.
- Eligibility for Students:
 - o Family income no more than 200% of the federal poverty level
 - o Student has not used a VSP program during the past 12 months
 - o No coverage through a private insurer or government program for services covered by the gift certificate

Please contact the school nurse if interested or for any questions.

I will not be holding my coffee chat this week due to a conflict in my schedule, but will resume my zoom coffee chats next week.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Anderson

Head of School

Updates from the Elementary Campus

Staff Appreciation is May 8 - 12 - Don't forget to thank the faculty and staff - it takes a team! If you have not sent in a thank you note for your teachers send it in to the office on Monday.

Thursday, May 11 - Students can wear NO Uniform but only if they wear one of their teacher's favorite colors. See the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wYUQ9zjz12ZZYeFDrpRsggNrvWWT-KXFE6SMA6B6hvw/edit?usp=sharing>

Testing 4th and 5th grades only

Date	Assessment	GRADE(s)
May 9-10	Pearson Social Studies	4
May 9-10	Pearson - Science	5

Mark your Calendars:

May 12 - Spring Performance

Grades 1-3 will perform at 12:00.

Grades 4-5 will perform at 1:30

Kindergarten will have their performance at kindergarten commencement - date/time to be determined

June 2 - Field Day

PTA Meeting:

Monday, May 22nd at 3:45 on ZOOM and Mrs. Reed's Classroom

ZOOM Link: <https://dtcc.zoom.us/j/93284385498>

Sussex Academy Special Education Parent Advisory Council:

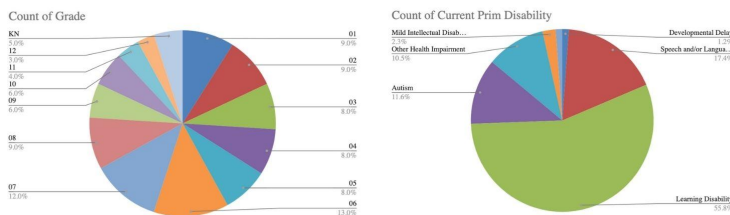
Wednesday, May 10th at 3:30 at the Elementary Conference Room



SE PAC

Special Education Parent
Advisory Council

- GOALS**
- Advocating for Students With Disabilities
 - Collaborative Network for Parents
 - Raising Awareness



- Agenda items:**
- The process to receive help
 - What is FAPE?
 - What is available?
 - IEP fact sheet/slide show

Next Meeting: Wed 5/10/2023 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Sussex Academy Elementary ~ 22051 Wilson Rd. ~ Georgetown
Join via Microsoft Teams
Join on your computer, mobile app, or room device
Meeting ID: 255 139 208 530
Passcode: 3C9Bfk

Don't forget to order breakfasts and lunches by Wednesday PM of each week!

NOTE: sides can not be ordered separately they only come with the Lighthouse meals

<http://www.orderhotlunch.com/DE/Georgetown/SussexAcademy/>

Updates from the Secondary Campus

Lunchworks

As we are now ordering for the month of May, please remember to bring your lunchworks account current, no balance due. Any orders placed with a balance on your lunchworks account will be cancelled. If your family is experiencing a hardship or difficult situation, you may contact Terry Allen at 302-856-3636, extension 1003 if you would like to further discuss your individual circumstance.

To our families with seniors:

The Senior Awards Ceremony is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 30 at 6:00 p.m.** in the cafetorium. Invitations were mailed to families of seniors receiving recognition on this evening; an rsvp is requested with a maximum of 4 guests permitted for each student.

Graduation practice is scheduled for **Thursday, June 1 from 9:00-11:00 a.m.** This practice is **mandatory** for all students attending the graduation ceremony. Students who do not plan to attend the graduation ceremony will need to contact Mrs. Messina to let her know this, as she is the senior class advisor and will be coordinating this aspect of the ceremony.

The graduation ceremony is scheduled for **Friday, June 2 at 6:00 p.m.** in the stadium.

Here is more information regarding graduation:

- Tickets:
 - A ticket-request Google form was sent via Schoology to seniors last week that must be completed. Each student is allocated 8 tickets maximum. The form also included space to include any requests and details for accessible seating. Please ask your student about this to make sure it has been submitted.

- Cap/gown packages:
 - These are currently being distributed. If your student has not picked up their package, please send them to Mrs. Messina. Students who ordered late will be

notified via Schoology for pickup once their packages arrive at school.

- Arrival Time for Graduation Ceremony:
 - Students will need to arrive at school by 5:30 p.m. and meet in the cafetorium before the ceremony. For planning purposes- the ceremony usually lasts approximately an hour.

- Inclement weather date:
 - Will reschedule for Saturday, June 3 at 10:00 a.m. in the stadium. If on this date we cannot hold the ceremony in the stadium, it will be moved indoors to the cafetorium and each student will be permitted 4 guests only.

From our Music and Art Department:

The '22-'23 SA Art Show and Spring Music Concert will take place this **Thursday, May 11th**. The Art Gallery Walk will open at 5:30 and the music concert will follow beginning at 6:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Updates from our Athletic Department

Find all Athletics Information on: sussexacademysports.com

Information:

Sussex Academy Soccer will be hosting 2 weeks' worth of camps this summer. Week of June 19th and Week of July 10th. Camps are for anyone entering Grades 1-7 and will run 9am - 2pm. If interested, please contact RJ Dina at r.j.dina@saas.k12.de.us

Any student looking to participate in Sports next year will need a new physical dated 4/1/23 or after.

Upcoming:

High School Baseball

5/9 Home v. Milford 4pm

5/11 Home v. Sussex Central 415pm

5/13 at Dickinson 11am

Middle School Baseball

5/10 at Seaford 4pm

Golf

5/8 Home v. Sussex Central 330pm

5/10 at RBCC 330pm

High School Boys Lacrosse

5/10 Home v. Smyrna 4pm

5/12 at Dover 6pm

Middle School Boys Lacrosse

5/11 at Dover Central 4pm

High School Girls Lacrosse

5/8 Home v. Ursuline 530pm

5/10 Home v. Milford 530pm **Senior Night**

Middle School Girls Lacrosse

5/8 Home v. Dover Central 4pm

High School Girls Soccer

5/8 Home v. Seaford 4pm

5/10 at Wilmington Charter 545pm JV at 415

Middle School Girls Soccer

Finishes with record of 10-0-1

High School Softball

5/9 at Smyrna 415pm

5/11 at Salisbury Christian 4pm

5/12 Home v. Delcastle 4pm **Senior Day**

5/13 at Dickinson 11am

Middle School Softball

5/10 at Seaford 4pm

Boys Tennis

5/11, 12, 13

Conference Championship at Caesar Rodney

Girls Tennis

5/11, 12, 13

Conference Championship at Cape Henlopen

Track and Field

5/11 and 12

Conference Championships at Lake Forest

Boys Volleyball

5/8 Home v. Appoquinimink 4pm **Senior Day**

Fundraiser

See attached flyer for fundraiser baseball is having.

Student Spotlight:

Current 11th Grader Cate Brown was recognized in the Cape Gazette as an athlete of the week. Cate scored two goals to lead Sussex Academy in its first victory in program history against Caesar Rodney. Cate believes in challenging herself to the fullest extent whether it be playing on the most competitive travel soccer team locally, or taking the hardest courses. She is a motivated hard worker that maintains over a 4.0 GPA. This is Cate's first year at SA but it is safe to say that she has fit in seamlessly and we are proud that She is a Seahawk.

Mark Calanders for May 31st at 6pm. High School All Sports Banquet