



RES SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

2022



Welcome back to school! We are a few days into the new school year, and it is great so see the hallways full of activity and smiles! We are so excited to see what the year brings to our students as they continue to learn and grow.

By now you should have logged into Skyward to see your child's teacher, bus information if necessary as well as completing the First Day Verification.

First Day Verification

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Whether this is your first year as a Spring-Ford parent, or your last, the transition to a new school year can be a bit overwhelming. To help with this process, the Spring-Ford Area School District will once again utilize online First Day Verification for the 2022-2023 school year. Parents/guardians may log into Skyward Family Access to complete the First Day Verification process. Families may complete the First Day Verification at a desktop or laptop computer, or tablet. You can access Skyward on the Internet at our website: spring-ford.net

Again, simply click on "**For Parents**" then "**Skyward**" then "**Family Access Login.**" Please contact the school office at (610) 705-6005 should you need assistance with your Login and/or password.

If you do not already have a Skyward password, please contact our office.

Spring-Ford Bus App

Wondering if your child's bus is running late? Download the new Bus Status App for iOS and Android to receive bus notifications straight to your phone!

The Bus Status app displays up to date bus information for schools and school districts. The app sends out push notifications for cancelled, delayed, or early buses, keeping parents and students updated throughout the day. Select your bus route as a favorite to receive notifications for special announcements and late bus information.

Q: Does Bus Status App track my child's bus?

A: No, Bus Status App does not have GPS tracking.

Q: Does Bus Status App keep private information like my address or name?

A: No, Bus Status App does not hold any private information. It does not hold names, street addresses or bus routes. The app simply pushes notifications based on the information you've requested.



Food Service Update: SFASD Breakfast & Lunch for 2022-2023

COST OF BREAKFAST AND LUNCH: The federal government has not extended waivers that allowed all children to receive free school meals, meaning that SFASD will return to pre-pandemic practices for the 2022-2023 school year. This year, families who qualify are encouraged to participate in the Free or Reduced Priced Meals program to help offset the cost of daily breakfast and/or lunch. Application can be found on the SF website.



Elementary Meal Prices:

Breakfast cost \$1.60 ... reduced price .30

Lunch cost \$3.05 ... reduced price .40

Open House for Grades 1-4 Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Come hear what you can expect in the classroom this year from your child's teacher. This event is for Parents only! Parents report directly to their child's homeroom.

Two identical sessions: **Open House**

6:30pm – 7:15pm

7:30pm – 8:15pm



Be sure to stop by the cafeteria table to meet Mrs. Butler, our cafeteria Manager and learn about our school lunch program and sample some of the items on the menu.

Volunteer Policy

The Office of Human Resources has begun accepting Volunteer applications for the 2022-2023 school year. The volunteer process will be automated through Raptor's Volunteer Management. Please visit the Spring-Ford Volunteer Page for more information on volunteering!

All volunteers and visitors must be scanned into our Raptor Security System and need to have their license accessible during your visit to school. We recently had upgrades made to Raptor, however we were not able to retain previously scanned drivers' licenses.

Attendance

Please be sure that your children are on time to school. This means they are in their classroom and seated, ready to go at 9:00am. If tardiness become an issue, Dr. Carboy will be scheduling a tardy improvement plan with you to help ensure your child is in school on time each day.

September Dates to Remember

Sept. 7 – Open House

Sept. 9 – PTO Back to School Social

Sept 13 – Unity Day, this is an event that will take place in school for all students

Sept. 14 – PTO Meeting 7:00pm in the Media Center, come out and get involved in your child's school

Sept. 15 – Fall Picture Day

Sept 26 – No school for students

Sept 27 thru Sept 30 – Scholastic Book Fair

October 2 – National Custodian Day! Give Mr. Mike and Mrs. Kate a big hello!

Meet Our New School Counselor



Hello, my name is Steve Mest and I am a new School Counselor at Royersford Elementary School. I am very fortunate to move into this position having served as a School Counselor at both Evans Elementary and Upper Providence Elementary in the SFASD for the last 7 years. Prior to working in Spring Ford, I held various roles including School Counselor, Behavior Coach, and Athletic Director at a Pre-K-8th grade school in Vermont for 5 ½ years. My wife, Kelly and I live at our home with our two children, Maddie and Jacoby, and our dog, Bucky. I am looking forward to getting to know and working with the students and families of the Royersford Elementary community.

Nurse Notes from Mrs. Schauder

Welcome Back! I hope everyone had a happy and healthy summer!!!!

A few back-to-school reminders:

- **DENTALS:** All 3rd graders must hand in proof of a recent dental exam. Please start handing those in!!!! Kiddos can bring in hard copies or feel free to email me at rscha@springford.net Dental Forms can be picked up in the office or are available on the school website.
- **INHALERS:** If your student had an inhaler last year or needs one this school year, please hand in a doctor's note and/or Asthma Action Plan dated **AFTER 7/1/22**. All medication orders and Action Plans expire at the end of the school year.
- **KINDERGARTENERS:** Please have your kindergartener bring in a change of clothing for those unexpected accidents/spills ☺
- **BREAKFAST:** Every year I am surprised how many students don't eat breakfast! The most common reason given is "we were running late". I suggest getting breakfast bars/granola bars to keep handy for those days that the family is running late. Grab a bar and head off to the car/bus/daycare. These kiddos definitely need fuel for learning in the morning!
- **SKYWARD:** Please make sure that you have completed your First Day Verification on skyward, which includes the Health Emergency Form. This form lets me know if your student has any health or medical needs. It is also where parents update their emergency contacts and information. Please make sure that this is current should I have to reach out to you.

Let's have a SUPER year!!!!

