Welcome to Somerville High School



Class of 2030 and New Students!

Somerville High School

Meet the Administration

Mr. Foley
Principal

Mr. Shaker
Supervisor of Student Affairs & Instruction

Mrs. DePace
Assistant Principal

Mr. Davis
Supervisor of Athletics & Physical Education/Health

Mrs. Mills-Pevonis
Supervisor of School Counseling & Instruction



PEER LEADERSHIP 2026-2027

Mrs. Annese Mrs. Grossmith Mr. Williamson



A message from Mrs C
& the Library Media Center

- Welcome back to SHS!
- Meeting with your ELA classes.
- Make sure to read the **Acceptable Use Policies** for Technology.
- Don't forget to submit your **Summer Reading.**
- Can't wait to meet you in September!

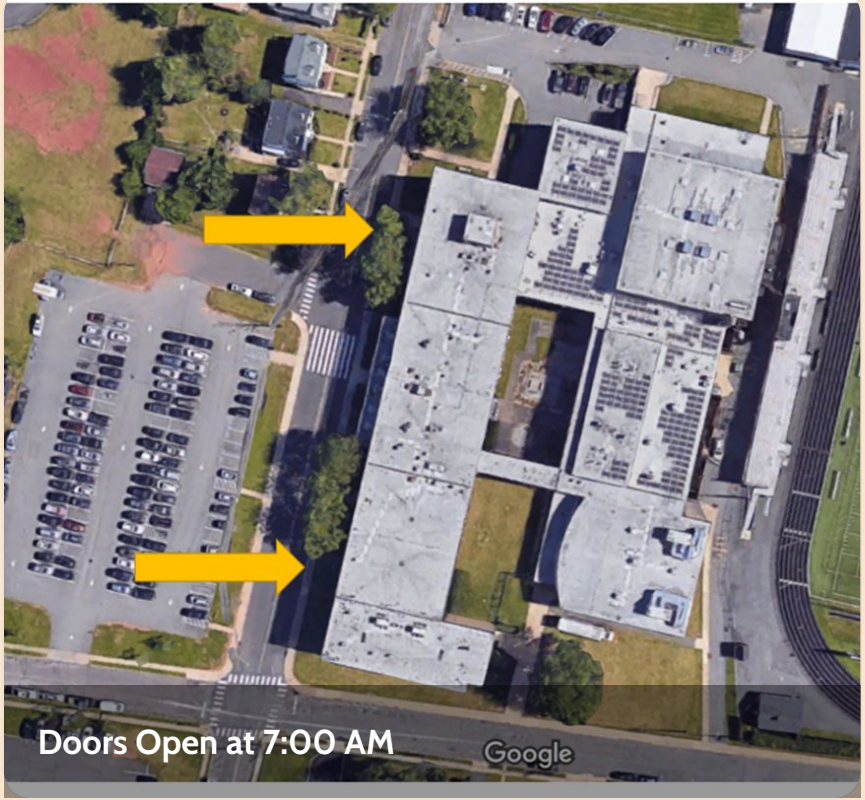
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SHS 101

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



Entrance & Building Layout



Room Numbering System

- All rooms have three-digit numbers. First digit matches the floor level (e.g., 100s = 1st floor)
- Rooms 100, 200, and 300 are at the South end of the building (along Orchard St. and near the Senior parking lot)
- Odd numbers align on one side; even numbers on the other
- Not everything is directly opposite (e.g., 214 is not across from 213)
- **Unnumbered Locations:**
  - Auditorium — 1st Floor
  - Cafeteria & Gymnasium — 2nd Floor

Where to go for what...

A quick guide to school locations and why you might need to visit them

1ST FLOOR OFFICES

Main Office

- **Mr. Foley**, Principal
- **Mrs. DePace**, Asst. Principal
  - Attendance
- Public Relations Officers
- Early Dismissal / Excuse Notes

Counseling Office

- **Mrs. Mills Pevonis**, Supervisor
- School Counselors
  - Academic & Career Planning
- School Psychologists
  - Mental Health/Personal Support

Health Office

- **Mrs. Cornyn**, School Nurse
  - Medications & First Aid
  - Illness & Injury Assessment
  - Health Forms & Records

2ND FLOOR OFFICES

Athletic Dept. / Student Affairs

- **Mr. Davis**, Supervisor
  - Athletic Information & Sports Clearance
- **Mr. Shaker**, Supervisor
  - Student Conduct

Media Center / Chromezone

- Research & Quiet Study Space
- Chromebook Support & Technical Assistance

Stay in the Know!

SHS WEBSITE

Upcoming Events
(calendar)

Daily Bulletin
(announcements)

Student Agenda

SOCIALS

X
@SomervilleHSNJ

Instagram
@somervillehighschoolnj

NEWS

The Pioneer Press
(monthly newsletter)

The Valkyrie
(student newsite)

PRINCIPAL MESSENGER

Important school announcements, reminders, and updates

TV SCREENS

Daily Activities
& Information

Club Meetings
Dates & Events

Stay connected - check your email for an invitation to the Class of 2030 Principal Messenger!

Class of 2030

Principal Messenger

Class Code: c2ktfvgn

Chromebooks

Guidelines

Used for instructional purposes

Monitored for appropriate use

Support

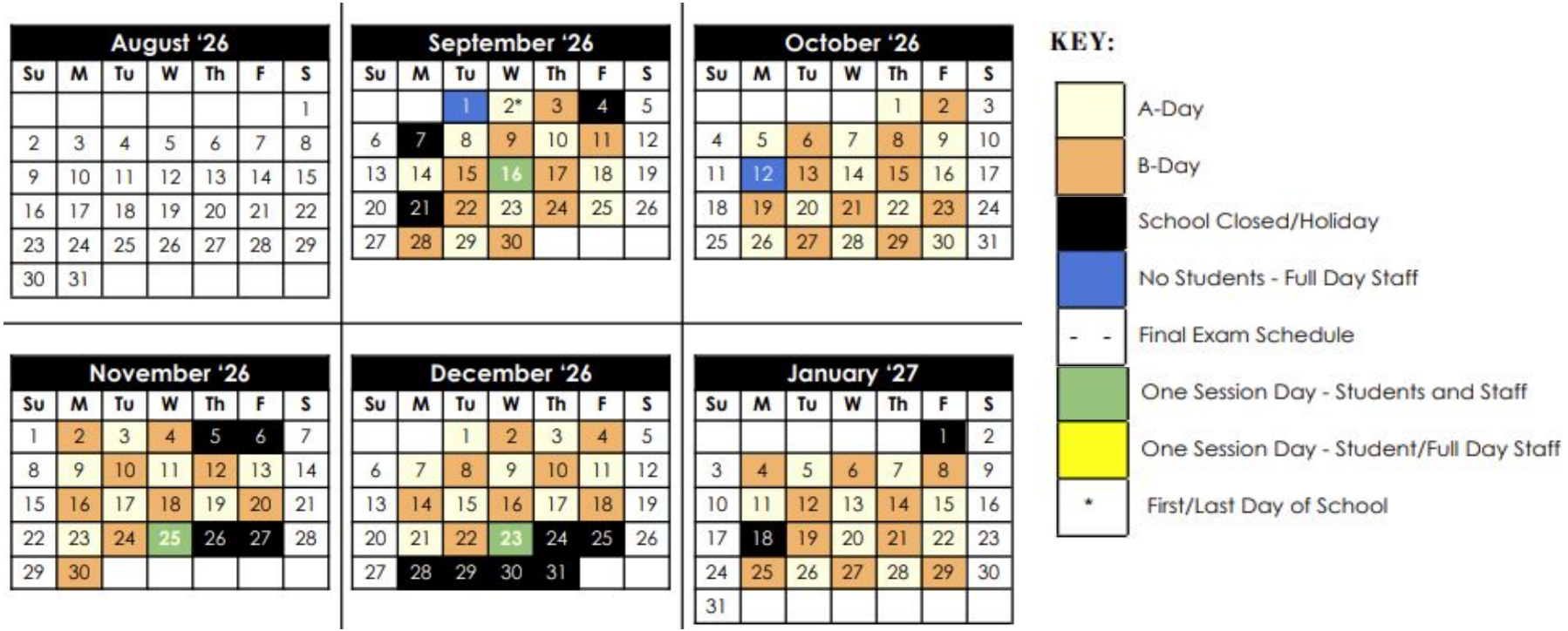
Chromezone is located in the Media Center

Technical Support via incidentIQ

Distribution

Chromebook distribution is in Room 113

A/B Calendar



August '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

September '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
		1	2*	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November '26

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30					

December '26

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January '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

KEY:

- A-Day
- B-Day
- School Closed/Holiday
- No Students - Full Day Staff
- Final Exam Schedule
- One Session Day - Students and Staff
- One Session Day - Student/Full Day Staff
- * First/Last Day of School

Please visit the SHS website for the complete A/B calendar.

Bell Schedule

Regular Schedule	
7:35 - 8:52* 77 min	1
8:56 - 10:12 76 min	2
10:16 - 10:54 38 min	3L1
10:58 - 11:36 38 min	3L2
11:40 - 12:18 38 min	3L3
12:22 - 1:00 38 min	3L4
1:04 - 2:20 76 min	4

One Session Day	
7:35 - 8:37* 62 min	1
8:42 - 9:44 62 min	2
9:49 - 10:51 62 min	3 (no lunch)
10:56 - 11:58 62 min	4

Delayed Opening	
9:35 - 10:12* 37 min	1
10:16 - 10:52 36 min	2
10:56 - 11:34 38 min	3L1
11:38 - 12:16 38 min	3L2
12:20 - 12:58 38 min	3L3
1:02 - 1:40 38 min	3L4
1:44 - 2:20 36 min	4

*Announcements

Instructional Time



Passing Time

Sample Student		A		B
7:35 - 8:52 77 min (announcements)	1	Social Studies		Science
8:56 - 10:12 76 min	2	Math		Elective
10:16 - 10:54 38 min	3L1	Lunch		Lunch
10:58 - 11:36 38 min	3L2	Study Hall		Study Hall
11:40 - 12:18 38 min	3L3	World Language		English
12:22 - 1:00 38 min	3L4			
1:04 - 2:20 76 min	4	Elective		PE/Health

Block 3 Overview

All Students Are Assigned:

Daily Study Period

38 Minutes of dedicated, self-directed academic preparation.

Daily Lunch Period

38 Minutes for student dining and midday break.

Daily Course Block

76 Minutes of immersive, core subject instruction.

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*announcements

Ms. Mills Pevonis
Supervisor of School Counseling & Instruction

2026-2027 SHS Counseling Office Staff

Counselor Assignment is also listed in the Realtime Portals

somervilleschools.org/o/shs/page/counseling-services

Supervisor of Counseling

Ms. Heather Mills
hmillspevonis@somervilleschools.org

School Psychologists

Mrs. Ashley Joshi ➢ 908-243-1593
ajoshi@somervilleschools.org

Dr. Dana Marrocco ➢ 908-243-1502
dmarrocco@somervilleschools.org

Assistants

Mrs. Nancy Garvey ➢ 908-243-1549
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Mrs. Dana Stoker-Jones ➢ 908-243-1521
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Student Assignments

9th	10th	11th	12th	Counselor
A-F	**A-Di**	**A-Di**	**A-D**	**Mrs. Deborah Grossmith** 908-243-1553 ➢ dgrossmith@somervilleschools.org
G-Mi	**Do-H**	**Dj-K**	**E-I***	**Mrs. Carrie Capozzi** 908-243-1552 ➢ ccapozzi@somervilleschools.org
Multi-Lingual Learners (MLs)				
Mj-Ri	**I-Om**	**L-Re**	**J-R***	**Mr. Nicholas Milici** 908-243-1551 ➢ nmilici@somervilleschools.org
Rj-Z	**On-Z**	**Rf-Z**	**S-Z**	**Ms. Kathleen DeLuca** 908-243-1555 ➢ kdeluca@somervilleschools.org
SMSA & SALA Academies, *College/Career &* *Vo-Tech Program*				**Mr. Jeremy Hudson** 908-243-1563 ➢ jhudson@somervilleschools.org
MAPS Program & Student Assistance Counselor (SAC)				**Ms. Emma Giantisco** 908-243-1120 ➢ egiantisco@somervilleschools.org

Academic & Mental Health Support Team

Ms. Heather Mills Pevonis
Supervisor of Counseling & Instruction

School Counselors



Mrs. Carrie Capozzi



Ms. Kathleen DeLuca



Mrs. Deborah Grossmith



Mr. Jeremy Hudson
Vo-Tech, SMSA, SALA & College/Career



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Assistants



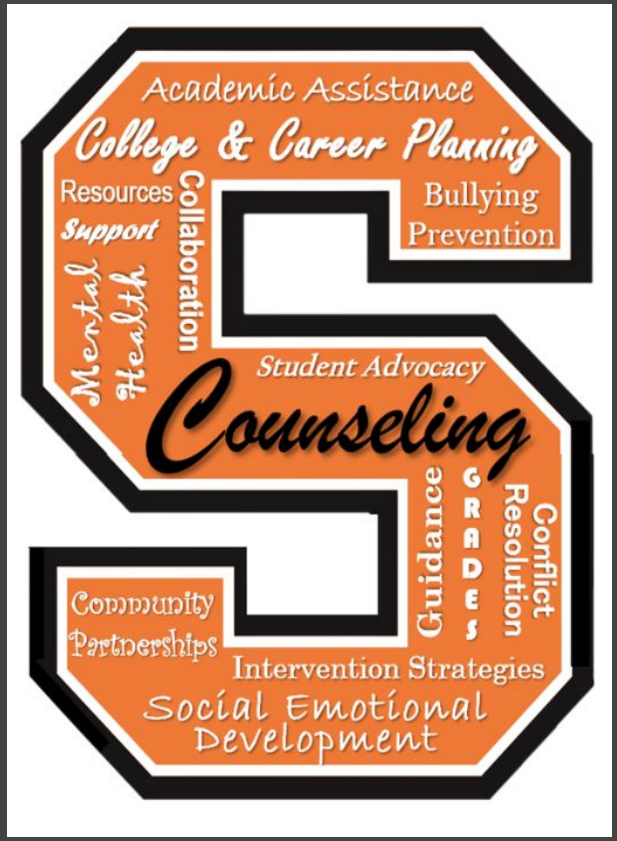
Mrs. Nancy Garvey



Mrs. Dana Stoker-Jones

Counseling Services

- Scheduling & Academic Advising
- Supportive Counseling - Peer Relationships, Organization
- Realtime & Grade Reporting
- College & Career Counseling
- Scoir



How Credits Work

Goal 120+ Credits to Graduate from SHS

- ➔ Full Year Course = 5 credits
- ➔ Semester Course = 2.5 credits
- ➔ Must earn a grade of 65 without exceeding the attendance policy
- ➔ 2.5 credits per semester for PE/Health = 5 credits

Grade level determined by credits earned

- ➔ 9th Grade 0 - 29.75 Credits
- ➔ 10th Grade 30 - 59.75 Credits
- ➔ 11th Grade 60 - 89.75 Credits
- ➔ 12th Grade 90+ Credits



Graduation Requirements

SUBJECT	YEARS	CREDITS
English	4	20
Math (Must include content equivalent to Algebra I, Geometry, and 3rd yr that builds on the concepts & skills of algebra, geometry & prepares students for college & 21st century careers)	3	15
Science (Must include laboratory/inquiry based content equivalent to Biology, AND Chemistry, Environmental Science or Physics, AND one other science)	3	15
Social Studies (5 credits in World History, & two years of U.S. History - N.J.S.A. 18A:35)	3	15
Visual and Performing Arts	1	5
21st Century Life and Careers; Career Technical Education (Practical Arts)	1	5
World Language (Students able to demonstrate proficiency in a World Language may be exempted from the state requirement)	1	5
Health and Physical Education (The State of NJ requires one year of Health & Physical Education for each year of enrollment*)	4*	20
Electives from the NJ Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) (Elective credit will vary according to student interest and goals. Students must take a minimum of twenty elective credits and a minimum of 2.5 credits in Financial Economic Business and Financial Literacy)	4	20
***** Students are also required to meet all NJDOE Graduation requirements, for classes of 2025-27 this included completing the FAFSA or waiver during their senior year.**	**Minimum total**	**120 credits**

Freshman Information Packet

- ➔ Schedule
- ➔ Student ID
- ➔ Locker Information
- ➔ Chromebook Check-in Sheet
- ➔ Student Realtime Portal Login Information
- ➔ PTO Membership Form

Mrs. DePace
Assistant Principal

Club & Activities at SHS

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

- Academic League
- Art Club
- Astronomy Club
- Barbershop
- Black Student Union
- Chamber Choir
- Cosmetology Club
- Crocheting & Knitting Club
- Cultural Awareness Council
- Drama Club
- Environmental (F.R.E.E.) Club
- Esports
- French Club
- Genesis Club
- Jazz Ensemble
- Junior Class
- Interact Club
- Investment Club
- Junior Class
- Key Club
- Literature Club
- Medical Science Club
- Mock Trial
- Model UN
- Morgan's Message
- National Art Honor Society
- National Honor Society
- NJ Future Educators
- Orchestra Club
- Peer Leadership
- Peer2Peer
- Photography Club
- Protect Animals Within (PAW)
- FIRST Robotics Team 102
- Senior Class
- Ski Club
- Spanish Club
- Pride Alliance
- Student Council
- Student Movement Against Cancer (SMAC)
- Theatre Arts
- Trail & Hiking Club
- Tri-M Music Honor Society
- Valkyrie
- Volleyball Club
- Yearbook Club
- Youth and Government
- Wags for Wellness
- Women in Stem
- Women's Quartet

Freshman Attendance Info

- ➔ Tardy to School
- ➔ Excused/Unexcused Absences
- ➔ 25 Minutes = Absence
- ➔ Credits/Graduation and Attendance

Mr. Shaker
Supervisor of Student Affairs & Instruction

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Student Handbook

Somerville High School



2026 - 2027

Student Handbook

- Be informed!
- Read the policies!
- Parents & students are required to read and sign the handbook agreement via Realtime.
- Will be updated throughout the school year.

Success at SHS

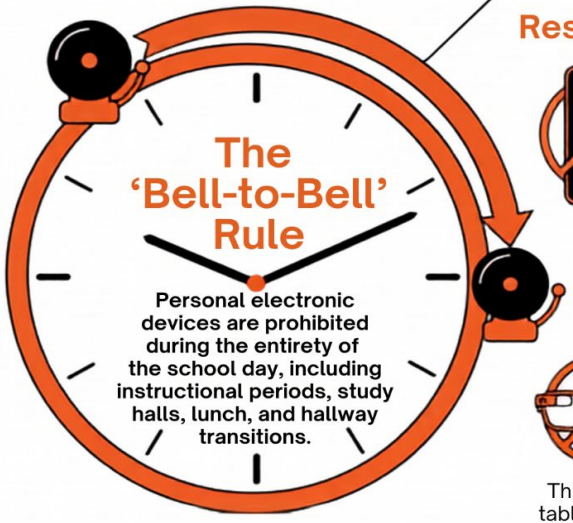
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Student Handbook

- Arrive to class on time
- Consistently use Securly Pass
  - Get back to class quickly
- Adhere to school policies



The ‘Bell-to-Bell’ Rule

Personal electronic devices are prohibited during the entirety of the school day, including instructional periods, study halls, lunch, and hallway transitions.

Restricted Devices



This includes smartphones, tablets, smartwatches, smart glasses, and earbuds.

Proper Storage & Handling







Off and Out of Sight

All devices must be turned off and kept in backpacks or lockers, remaining out of sight until the end of the school day.



Electronic Devices Policy

Infraction	Consequence
1st Offense	Discipline Referral: Warning
2nd Offense	Discipline Referral: *Central Detention - 1 hour
3rd Offense	Discipline Referral: *Central Detention - 2 hours
4th Offense	Discipline Referral: In-school suspension, device confiscation (stored securely), student pick-up at the end of the school day.
Additional Offenses	Increased disciplinary consequences, device confiscation (stored securely), and parent/guardian pick-up of the device at the end of the school day.

*The use of personal cell phones or other internet or non-internet devices is not permitted during after-school central detention.

School officials reserve the right to confiscate any internet or non-internet enabled device at any level of the tiered consequences.

- Students may not use personal electronic devices during the SHS school day, from 7:35 a.m. through 2:20 p.m.
    - Cell phones and smartphones
    - Smart watches and other wearable technology
    - Earbuds and headphones
    - Tablets
    - Smart glasses
    - Cameras and recording devices
    - Basic or flip-style phones
    - Two-way radios and walkie-talkies
    - Similar technologies developed in the future

Mr. Davis
Supervisor of Athletics and Physical Education/Health









Somerville Pioneers Athletic Offerings

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Football	Basketball	Track
Cross Country	Wrestling	Baseball
Field Hockey	Fencing	Softball
Soccer	Cheerleading	Tennis (Boys)
Tennis (Girls)	Swimming	Lacrosse
Gymnastics	Ice Hockey	Golf
Cheerleading	Unified Bowling	









Athletic Registration

To participate in high school athletics, students must complete the following by the deadline:

01. Athletic Registration

Submit online via **Arbiter**.

02. Physical Exam

Complete the Preparticipation Physical Exam form and keep it with your medical provider. Submit only the **"Medical Eligibility Form"** (the last page) to Ms. Opalski.

03. Health History

If your physical is over 90 days old, complete the **Health History Update Questionnaire**.

04. ImPACT Testing

Complete the baseline test annually and submit confirmation to Ms. Opalski.

⚠️ **All requirements are mandatory for clearance. Fall Registration Deadline: 08/07/2026**

Athletic Information

Incoming Freshman and Freshman Athletic Eligibility Requirements

- **First Semester (Fall and Winter Sports):** Incoming freshmen are automatically eligible to participate in sports during their first semester.
- **Second Semester (Spring Sports):** To remain eligible for spring sports, a freshman must have achieved at least 15 credits during the first semester of that same school year. There is no provision for make-up work to regain eligibility for the second semester.

Schedules

- To view schedules, check scores, and see upcoming athletic events use **Arbiter Live**.

Mr. Foley
Principal

Important Reminders & Contacts

First Day of School

September 2nd

Where to Report

Block 1A

SHS Back To School Night

September 16th

Questions? Please contact:

Schedules: Counseling Department

SHS Academies: Mr. Hudson (College & Career)

Technical Support: incidentIQ

Health Forms: Mrs. Cornyn (School Nurse)

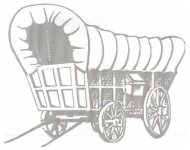
Athletics: Mr. Davis (Supervisor of Athletics)

Locker Issues: Mrs. Gagliardi (Main Office)

Branchburg Transportation: 908-725-2895

SCVTHS: 908-526-8900

What's Next for Today



Tour the Building

📄 Schedule

🔒 Locker

Chromebook & Charger

📍 Room 113

Class of 2030 T-shirt

👕 From the PTO

SOMERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Have a Great School Year,

Pioneers!