Syring Elementary School
Family Newsletter

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District Mission Statement: *Swartz Creek Community Schools is a family committed to excellence, instilling the values of integrity and compassion, and encouraging every individual to embrace challenges through continuous learning*

Principal's Message



As we approach parent-teacher conferences, I want to thank our families for being valued partners in your child's education. Conferences are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your child's growth, discuss their progress, and work together to support their continued success. Strong home-school partnerships make a difference, and I appreciate the time you take to connect with your child's teacher.

As Dragon families, we know that growth happens through teamwork, encouragement, and a willingness to keep learning. Thank you for the support you provide at home and for being an important part of our school community. I look forward to continuing to work together to help every Dragon learn, grow, and shine!

Brandie Bevel

Upcoming Events & Planning

11/2	**Syring Students Voting Day**
11/2-11-13	**Texas Roadhouse Gift Card Sale**
11/6	**Popcorn Day**
11/9	**Parent Teacher Conferences 5pm-8pm**
11-9-11-13	**Book Fair**
11/11	**1/2 Day & Parent Teacher Conferences 5pm-7pm**
11/13	**1/2 Day**
11/16	**Picture retake day**
11/17	**PTO meeting at 3:45**
11/19	**Dinner Night at The Pig & The Hen**
11/20	**Concession Day**
11/25-11/27	**Thanksgiving Break**
12/3	**GRINCHmas Party @ Rollerhaven**

Click here to see: 2026-2027 School Calendar

PTO News

** Thank you to everyone who joined us for Dinner Night at Red Robin! We earned $168.00!
** Our next fundraiser is our Texas Roadhouse Gift Card Sale. It will run from Nov. 2 to Nov. 13. All orders are pre-orders and must be turned in no later than Friday, Nov. 13. Gift cards will be returned before Christmas break! These would make great stocking stuffers!! Flyers with all the information have been sent home!
** Our next PTO meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 3:45 in the art room. Please join us!
** Our book fair will run from Nov.9-Nov.13. We are still looking for volunteers to help run it. If you can help, please email Stephanie Jacob at sjacob@swcrk.org
** Our next dinner night is at The Pig & The Hen on Thursday, Nov.19. Look for the flyer!

As always, if you have any questions, please email us!

PTO board of officers:

President: Stephanie Jacob **sjacob@swcrk.org**
VP: Lisa Burns **lmburns7@gmail.com**
Secretary: Lex Alden **LexAlden23@gmail.com**
Treasurer: Heather Holtz **hholtz@swcrk.org**

Please pack a change of clothes!!!

Parents/Guardians, it is so important to pack a change of clothes for your student(s) of all ages! Even if you don't think they will need them, accidents do happen. Food gets spilled, a paint catastrophe can happen, and sometimes kids can't resist those mud puddles. So when in doubt, always pack a change of clothes!!!

Don't Miss Out! Exciting Events On the Way



Syring Elementary is collecting cereal boxes to benefit the Swartz Creek Food Pantry. Please send in unopened cereal boxes from **November 9-20th** with your student. On **Tuesday, November 24th** we will create a cereal box domino chain in the hallways!



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Syring! Students can shop from Nov.9th-Nov.13th! Click the link to set up your E-Wallet with Scholastic.



Gearing up for Winter

Parents/Guardians, The seasons are changing and cold weather is creeping in. Please always assume we are going outside for recess. Students should have:

- Gloves
- Coats
- Hats
- Winter boots
- Snow pants

Please label your students things. It can also be helpful to put your students' winter

things in a recyclable bag that they can leave by their hook.

Winter Coat Program 2026



Snacks & Water Bottles

Help your child stay fueled and hydrated throughout the school day! Students are encouraged to bring a healthy classroom snack and a reusable water bottle that can be refilled at our bottle-filling stations. Please be sure to clearly label your child's water bottle with their name so it can easily find its way home!

Save The Date



School Safety

Your child's safety is our utmost responsibility while they are at Syring Elementary. Throughout the year, we will conduct safety drills for emergencies such as fire drills, tornado drills, evacuation drills, and lock-down drills. Your child's teacher will discuss all emergency procedures with their class and teach them the proper way to handle each situation. If you have any safety concerns, please contact the main office at 810) 591-1301

Absences or Change in Pick-Up

- Please call in all absences to the school office by 8:30 am. All absences require a phone call, note, or email

- Any changes to your child's normal pick-up routine needs to be made BEFORE 3pm with the office.

Annual Directory Information Notice

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that our District, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, Swartz Creek Community Schools may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised our District to the contrary in accordance with District procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the Swartz Creek Community Schools to include information from your child's education records in certain school publications such as a school yearbook, honor roll lists, and special event programs (please access the Directory Information Opt-Out webpage for more examples).

Safe Storage Resources

Michigan law requires schools to provide families with information about the importance of safe firearm storage. This notification is part of a statewide effort to promote student safety and comply with MCL 28.435 (Public Act 17 of 2023).

Medication

If your child has to take medication during the school year please stop by the office to fill out the appropriate forms and bring in the medication in their original bottles. DO NOT send medication in with students as this is a safety concern and against district policy. You can access all relevant Medical Forms here.

TRANSPORTATION



If your child will be riding a school bus this school year or will be attending AM and/or PM Latchkey, please take a few minutes to carefully review the link with transportation instructions and complete the required Transportation Change Request form in your PowerSchool/PowerParent account (only if there are changes).

Please note the following important reminders:

- You must answer "YES" to the question asking if your student needs transportation. If you do not select YES, your child will not be assigned to a bus.
- Complete the form carefully, selecting the appropriate transportation option (AM, PM, or both) and the correct pick-up/drop-off location.
- Transportation requests may take up to 5 business days to be processed and assigned.

The 2026-2027 Transportation Instructions link also includes:

- StopFinder setup instructions for families using the district's bus tracking app.
- Latchkey transportation instructions for students attending AM and/or PM Latchkey.

2026-2027 Transportation Instructions

Thank you for completing these steps as soon as possible to help ensure your child's transportation is in place before the start of the school year.

If you have any questions, please contact the appropriate staff listed in the instructions.

John Miehm,Transportation jmiehm@swcrk.org (810)591-2113

The School Day:

Students may enter the building at 8:15 am
Classes begin at 8:25 am
School Dismisses at 3:17 pm

Half Day AM starts at 8:25 am
School Dismisses at 11:40 am

Half Day PM starts at 12:30 pm

CREEK EXPECTATIONS

C-Commit to Learning

R-Respect Others

E-Everyone is Responsible

E-Everyone is Safe

K-Kindness Counts

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