SCHOOL STARTS EARLY —— CHECK WHEN YOUR CHILD BEGINS
Check for start date at registration —- we will have a 4-day week-end for Labor Day.
Check the reader board for registration dates.

Major Medical Issues —
Over the course of a school year, there will always be a few times where an outbreak of some nature will cause raised concerns. Please be aware that we have two major "communicable issues" which we take very seriously in the interest of your child and the school community. Both "Head Lice and Flu Bugs" can become major concerns and problems for parents and school staff/students. Upon registration, be sure to pick up a copy of District policy/ guidelines for how to best respond to these two major medical issues which come up two-three times yearly and affect everyone.

Students with other medical concerns — we ask parents to be open and forthright with building administration in regards to "special concerns, "special needs" or any emergency response information that our teachers or staff might need to know about with your child.

Emergency Information —
As usual, there are times where the weather or some other emergency situation will cause the district officials to delay or close school. Please take notice of these sites as places to obtain the most recent and accurate information regarding the matter:
Local radio: KRSB; KQEN
Local tv stations: KPIC, KEZI
Flash alert— www.flashalert.net

Flashalert is a subscription service the district uses for notification to the community in event of an emergency or school delay/closure.
Information is available at the website regarding any delay/closure or emergency of the district. This website also offers the option of receiving notification by e-mail.

Student / Parent Handbooks— Each school has a student/parent handbook which covers the guidelines, rules and policies for effectively running the school and "getting along together". Please be sure to get your copy, read it and if you have questions, contact the building principal.

Involvement Opportunities for Sutherlin School District Students

West:
After school reading program
Battle of the Books
Leadership—ASB

Partnerships:
Family Resource Center—grades 4-8
C. Giles Hunt Library
Sutherlin Valley Recreation
City of Sutherlin Events (some)
Chamber of Commerce Events (some)

Middle School:
Volleyball
Football
Wrestling
Basketball
Track
Leadership—ASB
Robotics
Art Club

High School:
FFA
FBLA
LAN Club (technology)
Peer Helpers
Leadership—ASB
National Honor Society
Community 101
Drama
Cross-Country
Volleyball
Football
Soccer
Wrestling
Basketball
Softball
Baseball

Parent /Volunteer Opportunities
Schools are better when parents and other adults get involved—when parents and other adults volunteer. Site councils, parent advisory groups, West PTO, Sutherlin Boosters, and Sutherlin FFA Alumni, are ways to get involved. Contact your school for additional information. **Parent Involvement is crucial to student success!**

School Begins

Aug. 29, 2011—grades K-6; 7; 9
Aug. 30, 2011— all students K-12.

Class of 2011:
- 101 students graduated.
- 37 students attended Sutherlin grades k-12.
- 75 graduates attended all four years at SHS.
- SHS offers 15 college credit courses at HS students.
- Class of 2011 received 1.2 million dollars in scholarships.

Volunteer forms for any activities {including field trips} must be completed prior to the event. Forms are available at the school offices.

Work Projects
Over this summer break, the usual cleaning and minor repairs have taken place in each building. The cleaning of all furnishings, wash, shampoo and waxing of floors along with repairs and update changes to all electronic equipment takes the entire summer. The district also moved forward with other improvement projects:
- Completed installation of air conditioning units and painting of West Intermediate School.
- FFA Alumni construction of a new green house at the high school (thank you FFA Alumni).
- Installed new team lockers at the high school (thank you athletic boosters).

From the Superintendent: As we embark upon another school year, I am asked often by many different individuals and groups of people, "How are the schools?" In most cases, people are asking also about the budgets, staff, programs and services for the children. "Are we really, okay?". The simple answer is this: "Yes, we are okay, and yes we will remain focused and move forward." How can I say this in the face of all the sad and somewhat devastating news regarding education across our State and America?

Let me begin with this premise, this focus, this commitment: Our mission in the Sutherlin Schools is simple: "developing life long learners who are knowledgeable, responsible and caring citizens ." With this commitment, it means that formally the schools are the foundation from which our children become "life long learners". We are that base from which they gain "book knowledge", we are the base where social activities and experiences develop "caring citizens". Accepting this premise, we still recognize the old axiom, "it takes a village to raise a child." Therefore, in combination, as a district and as a community, we all share in the development and educational growth of our children.

How does this tie back to the first sentences and questions? I suggest we are doing okay as a district because I know and I trust in the Sutherlin community. I know and trust in our educational institution, our Sutherlin School District. And I believe in this……. together everyone wants what is best for our children.

As Superintendent, I value the privilege and honor that comes with being an educator. And I speak for 180 district individuals working within the School District along with 5 elected Board Members, all of whom share this same value and trust placed upon us. As a District, as a Community, we all believe in our children and believe in doing what is best for their future. It is a difficult time for everyone, yet together we will move forward and we are doing well.

Your Sutherlin Schools:
- Maintaining positive staff-student classroom loads;
- Maintaining a full student calendar year;
- Maintaining programs and activities for students;
- Serving students with a commitment to all students; becoming lifelong learners—responsible and caring citizens.

Staff Recognition 10-11 Honors

Sutherlin Chamber Teacher of the Year:	Shannon Grauf
Neil Hummel Real Estate Golden Apple Awards:	Mike Westlake Ken Reeve Christy Bryant Tim Schmidt Misse Freeman

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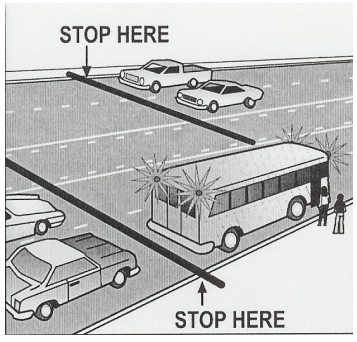
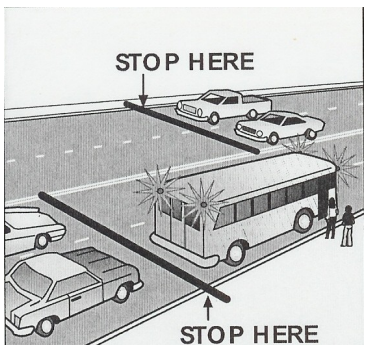
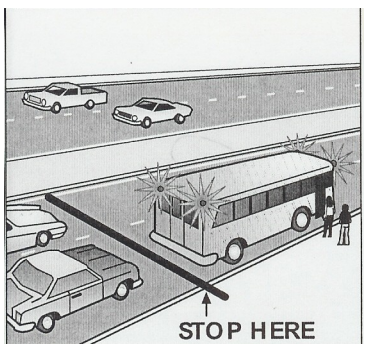
Stopping for School Buses

Oregon school buses have flashing amber and flashing red lights near the top of the bus on the front and rear. School buses are also equipped with a stop arm that extends out from the left side of the bus near the driver's window. The stop arm will be extended when the red lights begin to flash.

School bus drivers turn on flashing amber lights to warn other traffic that the bus is about to stop on the road to load or unload children. You should get ready to stop. When the red lights begin to flash, this means drivers meeting or overtaking the bus from either direction must stop before reaching the bus. You must remain stopped until the bus driver turns off the flashing red lights.







The school bus stop law applies on any roadway with two or more lanes of traffic. There is one exception to the law. If you are on a divided highway with two roads separated by an unpaved median strip or barrier, you must stop only if you are on the same side of the road as the bus. A painted median strip or a center lane used only for left turns does **not** create two separate roads. Where this situation exists, **all** lanes of traffic must stop. School bus drivers may report vehicles that improperly pass school buses. The report may be forwarded to the local law enforcement agency for investigation.

—- Oregon Driver's Manual pg 85

Bus Routes

- Students who ride the bus need to be at the stop at least 5 minutes before the estimated time arrival.
- Reminder — Students grades 7-12 who live within the city limits east of the railroad tracks do not ride the school buses.
- Check with your school for route information at registration (after August. 18th) or the district website.

Student Breakfast		*Student Lunch*	
K—12th breakfast	*free*	*K—6th lunch*	*$1.35*
		7th-12th lunch	*$1.85*
	Reduced	*K-12th lunch*	*.40*
Milk K-12th	*.30*	*Milk K-12th*	*.30*
Adult Breakfast	*$1.50*	*Adult Lunch*	*$3.00*
Milk	*.30*		

Federal free or reduced price lunch applications will be available at registration or anytime during the school year. Check at your school office.

Shop Smart / PriceLess Foods Receipts = Student Scholarships

Thanks to the Sutherlin Blackberry Committee, the collection of grocery receipts gets turned in for a 1% refund. The money generated helps to support Blackberry Festival activities of which Student Scholarships is one of their many services supported. Save your PriceLess Foods receipts, turn them in at the schools, District Office or any other location where you see a collection box for these receipts. Thanks for your help and support, and a special THANKS to the Sutherlin Blackberry Festival Committee.

Tobacco use, distribution or sale by students, staff and all others is prohibited in any building, facility, school ground, athletic field, parking lot or vehicle owned, leased, rented or chartered by the Sutherlin School District or it's schools. Violation of this policy will lead to appropriate disciplinary action up to and including expulsion for students. Violation of this policy by non-students may result in the individuals removal from district property. The district reserves the right to restrict access to district property by individuals who are repeat offenders. Policy JFCG/JFCH/JFCI

Videotaping—During the year students may be videotaped as part of extra-curricular activities, classroom instruction, or other school activities. If you object to the videotaping of your child, please notify your school principal, and complete the restriction request.

Charging / Fees —Sutherlin School District policy does not allow "charging" for fees or school lunches. We request prepayment of school meals. A system is available to track student lunch account balances. Plan to pay fees at the time they are due.

Medications at school — When medication is necessary for students to remain in school they may be permitted to take non-injectable prescription or non-prescription medication at school. Written permission forms from parents are required. Contact your child's school office.

Child Find — If you know of a child from age birth to 21 who is not receiving special education services but may have a handicapping condition, please contact the Sutherlin School District at 459-2228. A handicapping condition could include but not be limited to: visually impaired, hearing impaired, speech and/or language delayed, orthopedic or other health impaired, learning disabled, seriously emotionally disturbed, mentally retarded, suffering from traumatic brain injury or autism.

No Wheeled Recreation Toys — The District has a policy prohibiting skateboards, rollerblades, roller-skates and scooters on all District property. Parents and community are asked to help enforce this policy. This policy is based upon liability insurance along with care and upkeep needs of facilities.

Harassment/Bullying—Oregon Statutes indicate school officials must respond to reports of harassment or bullying. Parents, if you are aware of any such incidences affecting your child or other children, please contact your child's building principal. The recent issue of cell phone " sexting" has also been considered a violation of harassment and bullying against others.

No Dogs/Pets— Our students and community use district facilities on a daily basis — it is quite disconcerting and embarrassing for students to step or land in a "pile" left behind by an animal. In most cases students do not have extra clothes they can change into. The District facilities, athletic fields and school grounds are not a place for dogs or pets. So, please keep pets off the school grounds. {Policy # ING}.

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