



November 2020

Dear SCC Community,

Forty-six days of school in the books, three and a half weeks until Thanksgiving and under 8 weeks until Christmas, boy where does the time go? Throughout these past weeks we have learned and lived many new vocabulary terms such as online/remote learning, social distancing, and contact tracing. These once abstract concepts have now become a part of our everyday conversations and routines in schools. We truly understand that this first quarter of the school year has been a stressful time for students and families, but these days have also provided for us a sense of normalcy throughout our communities. **For supporting all the District's efforts and more, we sincerely thank you.**

Now to all the things that make us proud SCC Titans!

COVID/MASK Update

Since the mask mandate that began on Friday, October 23, students have been working hard to comply with this newfound tool to keep everyone safe and in school. We still continue to remind students the importance of wearing masks correctly and will resume offering ample mask breaks throughout the school day. Mask wearing has not eliminated the positive COVID possibility but has greatly reduced the number of students who would otherwise have been quarantined due to exposure.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

On Tuesday, November 3, and Thursday, November 5, SCC will be hosting face-to-face parent teacher conferences. This evening we would kindly remind all adults attending to wear a mask prior to entering the building and to social distance from others when and where possible. Scheduling times in advance is an option at some buildings and will be highly encouraged to avoid long lines and aid with social distancing. If you exhibit any of the defined COVID symptoms we would kindly ask you to avoid attending these evenings. Reminder that there will be **NO SCHOOL** on Friday, November 6, following conferences. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Holiday Concerts

Due to COVID social distancing guidelines, this year's holiday music concerts will not be held in person. Instead you will be able to view these outstanding student performances live on the District website at www.scc.k12.ia.us . Concerts will be posted according to their concert date and times on the District calendar. We love our Fine Arts at SCC!

New Construction Approved (Lytton)

At a special meeting on October 22, the SCC School Board approved a bid to begin work on a new addition and remodel to the existing SB/BB concession stand in Lytton. This new addition will house a new restroom facility for both men and women to be ADA compliant and will feature an upgrade to the existing concessions area. Construction has already begun. The District is accepting donations to put towards project costs. If you would like to donate please contact Beth McCarter, SCC Booster Club Treasurer, for more information bmccarter@scc.k12.ia.us or at 712-464-7210.

Thank You

The South Central Calhoun Community School District has many people to thank for their generosity and participation throughout the school year. Below is a list for October of those who deserve a BIG TITAN “THANK YOU” for your help:

Special Education Delivery Plan Volunteers- this group spent a solid evening providing suggestions and guiding us through a plan of revision for our Special Education delivery in the District.

School Improvement Advisory Committee Volunteers- this group of staff and community members spent the latter part of two hours providing us with a wide range of perspectives and recommendations for our school board’s consideration.

Stewart Memorial Community Hospital (Masks)- this community partner stepped up in a big way for the District by donating over 400 children’s masks to the elementary at a time when we needed them most. We applaud and appreciate these efforts.

Linda Luhring/Group - Mrs. Luhring and a group of community members volunteered their time, talents and materials to make homemade masks for the high school students. Many kudos to all of you!

Fundraisers in Full Swing

Girls Basketball will be selling wristbands for fans to purchase and wear in support of the team. Bands will be available by the end of the week of Nov. 5. More information will be posted on the SCC Basketball social media pages: Facebook: South Central Calhoun Girls Basketball (SCCGBB) and Twitter: @SCC_GBB

The wristbands will be 1 for \$2 OR 3 for \$5. To purchase you may contact any of the girls’ basketball players or Coach Brady Dicks via email/social media accounts. Profits from the sale of these items will be going towards warm-up tops.

Boys and Girls Basketball will be hosting an apparel sale in the next few weeks. Please be looking for more details coming soon.

FFA annual fruit sales are in full swing. If you are interested in purchasing fruit please see any member of the FFA or the high school to complete your order soon!

Fall Activities Summary

It has been nothing short of an outstanding fall activities season as students have participated in extracurricular events such as Cross-Country, Volleyball, Football, FFA, FCLA and the Arts. With over 80% of SCC students participating in some form of activity, there is never a dull moment. Congratulations to these teams and organizations and to the Seniors of these groups for leading outstanding fall seasons.

What a first quarter it has been! Thanks for supporting South Central Calhoun Community Schools and as always, **GO TITANS!**

Sincerely,

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