



# SHAWSWICK MIDDLE SCHOOL

| MAY 2019 | NEWSLETTER |

## Welcome & Thank You for Reading

May is upon us and wow, the school year has went by quickly. The ILEARN window started in late-April and will conclude on May 17th. We are now 95% complete in every subject area test! This percent of completion is in large part due to parent/guardian support of test success. And to say I am proud of our students and staff is an understatement.

As we wrap up the year, please note that Honor Day is on May 28th at 11am in the SMS Gym and May 29th will be our Field/Game Day.

Principal Lucas P. Callhoun



As stated above, all of our students have taken or will take ILEARN during the testing window. The testing vendor provided a smooth operating system and our NLCS tech team laid out a network foundation that led to only 3 or 4 digital issues the ENTIRE time. Students took the following assessments:

-Grades 6, 7, 8 *English/Language Arts Non-Performance Task Test*

-Grades 6.7, 8 *English/Language Arts Performance Task Test Segment 1 and 2*

-Grades 6, 7, 8 *Math Non-Performance Task Test*

-Grades 6, 7, 8 *Math Performance Task Test*



We have many events coming up this month and your student will be bringing home notifications and permission slips. Please see the full-list below.

Additionally, two events added to the schedule this year will be a reception on May 23rd for BNL seniors who are also SMS alums. The second event is our Jr. Beta Club induction ceremony on May 28th at 12pm.

## Items of Importance

Please note the following SMS and NLCS related pieces of information

From NLCS/SMS Nurse Ashley Chapman:

### Concussions

Know your Concussion **ABC's**....**A**ssess the situation, **B**e alert for signs and symptoms, **C**ontact a health care professional

You can't see a concussion. Signs and symptoms can show up right away or hours or days later. It is important to watch for changes in your child, as well as worsening symptoms, or complaints of "just not feeling right". Most concussions occur without loss of consciousness. Children and teens are among those at greatest risk for a concussion. If your child reports one or more of the symptoms below, or if you notice them yourself, contact a health care professional.

#### Signs and Symptoms of a Concussion

- Difficulty thinking clearly
- Difficulty concentrating or remembering
- Feeling more slowed down
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy or groggy
- Headache
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Fatigue
- Blurry or double vision
- Sensitivity to light or noise
- Does not "feel right"
- Irritable
- Sad
- Nervous
- Drowsy
- Sleeping more or less than usual

### Safety News and Notes:

- Each week, Principal Lucas Calhoun and School Resource Officer BJ Fulkerson complete and exterior and interior tour of the Shawswick campus.
- When swimming in a body of water, enter the water feet-first. Serious injuries – including paralysis – can occur from diving head first into unknown water and hitting the bottom. Enter headfirst only when the area is clearly marked for diving and has no obstructions.
- Stay away from all downed wires, even if there are no sparks. Don't touch anything, or anyone that is touching it. Get help right away.

### Important Calendar Events

- May 1st: 6th Grade Field Trip
- May 6th-10th: SMS Book Fair | Library
- May 8th: Fire Drill | 11:35pm
- May 9th: 7th Grade Field Trip
- May 14th: 8th Grade Tour at BNL | AM
- May 14th: School Safety Drill
- May 15th: SMS Faculty Meeting
- May 16th: SMS Spring Concert | Choir ONLY
- May 20th/21st: Spring NWEA Window
- May 22nd: SMS Chromebook Collection
- May 23rd: Honoring SMS Alums graduating from BNL
- May 23rd: 8th Grade Field Trip



▶ Shawswick Middle School will be represented on the BNL female choir and the cheerleading squad!



▶ Stay up-to-date with happenings around Shawswick Middle School at [www.sms.nlcs.k12.in.us](http://www.sms.nlcs.k12.in.us)

***"The growth and development of people is the highest calling of leadership."  
--Harvey Firestone***



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