



December Newsletter

Class Flower: White Daisy

Class Colors: Ivory & Gold

Class Motto: Destiny is not a matter of chance it is a matter of choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.

Graduation

The date has been tentatively set for Wednesday, May 29th at 7:30 pm in the gym. Confirmation will be sent upon School Board approval.

Email Danielle.Stewart@sumter.k12.fl.us, your Graduation Coordinator, with all questions pertaining to cap & gowns, announcements, Baccalaureate & Graduation.

Cap & Gowns

All orders should be placed by **December 1st**. Email Mrs. Stewart if you have any questions.

Senior Scholarship Information

Sumter Schools Enhancement Foundation Scholarships were emailed to your school email.

They are **due on or before January 12th**

Leave GPA & counselor signature blank, but make an appointment with your counselor to complete this. Make sure you and/or parents have signed the applications. All scholarship applications **MUST** be typed & printed on your own.

Check your spelling & be neat! Ask for reference letters early from your teachers, counselors or professionals. Do not wait until the last minute to ask for a reference! Give your reference person a resume' so they can write you a good letter. Be sure to keep a copy of your reference letters for future use & your Professional Portfolio. Return applications printed single sided **WITHOUT** staples. For the Enhancement Scholarships, you need to request a Crystal Report; see Ms. Brown for that.

To receive help filling out/printing applications or writing an essay come to **Scholarship Application Night** on December 5th from 5:30-7pm in the Media Center.

Senior Shout-outs

Have you been accepted to a college, technical school or enlisted in the military?

If so, email a copy of your acceptance letter to Mrs. Stephanie Moffitt at stephanie.moffitt@sumter.k12.fl.us

We would like to recognize your accomplishments & plans for the future!

FAFSA Workshop

A FAFSA Financial Aid workshop will be held January 16th from 5:00-6:30pm in the Raider Room. At this workshop, seniors & their parents will receive help filling out their FAFSA – Financial Aid application.

Rock-a-Thon

Rock-A-Thon is Friday, January 19th, 6:30–11:00pm. Sign up with Mrs. Hooten by Wednesday Jan 17th. You must have school insurance, provide your own rocking chair & have at least 1 pledge to participate. This event takes place during the boys' basketball game vs. The Villages. Funds raised will be kept by each senior to use for senior expenses.

Yearbook

Senior yearbook ads can be purchased & created online at Jostensadservice.com. Purchasing deadline is January 19th. Full- \$250. Half- \$175. Quarter- \$100. Eighth- \$50.

Yearbooks can be purchased now at jostensyearbooks.com for \$65 until January 27th.

Grad Bash

Grad Bash at Universal Studios & Islands of Adventure is Friday, April 26th (7pm-2am)

Tickets will be on sale for \$95 each in January from Mrs. Cofield.

Professional Portfolios

Senior Professional Portfolios are due **Thursday, April 4th**! Get started now! If you are an early graduate, your portfolio will be due before Winter Break in December. See your Gov/Econ teacher if you have questions.

SAT, ACT & CLT

SAT test – March 9, 2024 (deadline to register is Feb. 23)

ACT test – February 10, 2024 (deadline to register is Jan. 5)

CLT test – January 27, 2024 (deadline to register is Jan. 22)

See your counselor for more information or for fee waivers (if eligible)

Walking in White Qualifications

3.5 GPA (weighted & 3.0 unweighted)

1100 SAT or 23 ACT or 75 CLT (must have scores by February)

10 honors - Dual Enrollment, AICE or AP classes

75 community service hours/100 paid work hours/or combined 100 hours

Remind101

To receive informational texts about senior events text the following code: @sr2024sshs to 81010.

Raise.Me.com

Want free money for college? Visit <https://www.raise.me> The more students there are on Raise.Me the more motivated students will be and the more resources you will have for college.

Scholarship Opportunities

Important websites to know: Bright Futures - www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org ACT-www.actstudent.org SAT- www.collegeboard.org
National scholarship opportunities await at: www.fastweb.com www.collegequest.com www.winscholarships.com www.finaid.com

IG: scholarshipmoneyforstudents

www.meritaid.com

www.studentscholarships.org

www.highfivescholarships.com

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Last day to order cap & gown	2
3	4	5 Scholarship Application Night 5:30-7 in Media Center	6	7	8	9
10	11 SENIOR TRIP	12	13	14	15 SENIOR TRIP	16
17	18	19 1 st , 4 th & 7 th per. Exams	20 2 nd , 5 th & 8 th per. Exams	21 6 th per. Exam	22 Early Dismissal End of 2 nd 9 Weeks/1 st Semester	23 WINTER BREAK BEGINS
24	25 	26	27 Work on scholarship	28 applications & your	29 Professional Portfolio!	30
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