



January 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.

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.

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!

Grad Bash

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

There will be a meeting Jan 12th during Raider Time for all Seniors interested in attending Grad Bash.

Tickets will be on sale January 22 – February 2 for \$95 each from Mrs. Cofield.

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.

Yearbook

Senior yearbook ads can be purchased & created online at Jostensadservice.com.

Purchasing deadline is January 19th & space is limited! Full- \$250. Half- \$175. Quarter- \$100. Eighth- \$50.

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

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.

Cap & Gown Pictures

January 31, 2024 will be the **only** time cap & gown pictures will be taken at school. **NO SESSION FEE!**

Guys – wear a white dress shirt & tie. Girls – wear a V-neck top.

Club pictures & a senior class group picture will also be taken on 1/31/24.

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)

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.

Walking in White Qualifications

3.5 GPA (weighted & 3.0 unweighted)

1100 SAT or 23 ACT or 75 CLT

10 honors - Dual Enrollment, AICE or AP classes

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

The deadline for walking in white qualifications is **Friday, February 2nd**.

Graduation

The date has been set for Wednesday, May 29th at 7:30 pm in the gym. Email Danielle.Stewart@sumter.k12.fl.us, your Graduation Coordinator, with all questions pertaining to cap & gowns, announcements, Baccalaureate & Graduation.

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

January 2024						
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 WINTER BREAK	2 →→→→	3 →→→→	4 →→→→	5 →→→→	6
7	8 Teacher Workday	9 Teacher Workday	10 Students Return	11	12 Enhancement Scholarships due	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL Dr. M L King Jr. Day	16 Report Cards FAFSA Workshop 5-6:30	17	18	19 Spring Pep Rally Rock-a-Thon 7-11 pm	20
21	22 Grad Bash tickets sales start - \$95	23	24	25	26	27 Yearbook price increase!
28	29	30	31 Cap & Gown Pics			