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The Summit

Newsletter of South Anchorage High School
September 2007

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Pat Walker

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Dear Parents:

We're off to a fast, smooth start this year. Our teachers and support staff are very excited and enthusiastic about our students and report that they are doing well in their classes and are eager to learn. Our teachers are charged with designing and implementing instructional activities that are rigorous, interesting, relevant, and standards-based. There was a strong emphasis in our August in services on ensuring that learning activities created for our students are relevant. **It is my firm belief that students learn best when they can see how what is being taught translates to "real world" experiences or situations.**

I am happy to report that our Administrative Team remained intact this year. However, we have made some internal changes. Juliana Armstrong is now our Staff Services Assistant Principal, Brian Hosken has moved into the Curriculum position, Pat Walker is doing Activities and Bill Franklin remains in Student Services. Please don't hesitate to contact any of us if you need assistance for your student, or if you have questions or concerns that you would like us to address.

I'm pleased to announce that South Anchorage High School achieved AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress – academic achievement benchmarks mandated through the Federal "No Child Left Behind" legislation) again this past year. Our students did

an outstanding job on the Standards-Based Assessments at the ninth and tenth grade levels in April. I would like to thank all those who helped prepare our students for these examinations – teachers, teacher assistants, counselors, parents, and other SAHS community members.

A large thank-you goes to our PTSO (Parent Teacher Student Organization) volunteers for all of their help during Registration. It went very smoothly and that was due, in large measure, to parents who volunteered at one or more of the Registration stations. In addition, we are very appreciative of the delicious luncheon that the Captain Cook Hotel (one of our school-business partners) provided the volunteers and staff during Ninth-Grade Registration. I would certainly encourage you to consider being part of the PTSO and/or volunteering at school. We really appreciate having parents here at South working with staff and students.

Finally, I would like to invite all parents to our Open House on Tuesday, September 18th. A general orientation meeting will be held in the gymnasium at 7:00 P.M. At 7:30, parents will be able to visit their students' classrooms on an abbreviated six-period schedule. We hope to see you here.

Chuck Fannin

Chuck Fannin
Principal



Open House
Tuesday, Sept. 18th
7:00 pm

Alpha Counselor
A - Cl Roxann Berry (Dept. Chair)
742-6262
Co - Ha Jocelyn Friedman
742-6311
He - Ma Diana Hedstrom
742-6341

Curriculum Connection

Brian Hosken, A.P.

742-6257

Mc - Sb Steve Polk
742-6325
Sc - Z Sara Miller
742-6354
Sp. Ed Evelyn DuBois
(Dept. Chair)
742-6348

PSAT

October 20, 2007

The PSAT is given only once each year and is excellent practice for the SAT. It is also the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test for the class of 2009. For many students the PSAT is the first official step on the road to college.

The PSAT is recommended for all juniors.

Sophomores are also encouraged to take the PSAT to practice for the official results when they take it their junior year.

The PSAT will be given on October 20, 2007 here at South. The test begins promptly at 8 a.m., so students should check in by 7:30. Registration will begin in September at the South Career Resource Center. The cost will be approximately \$15.

Test results should be returned by the College Board in December. Counselors have the actual test booklet used by each student and will return the test booklet along with the student's scored answer sheet to each individual. This gives the student the opportunity to review and further prepare for the SAT, or in the case of sophomores, for next year's PSAT.

2007-08 SAT Test Dates

Register online at www.collegeboard.com

Test Date	Registration Deadline	
	Regular	Late Fee
Oct. 6	Sept. 10	Sept. 14
Nov. 3	Oct. 2	Oct. 11
Dec. 1	Oct. 30	Nov. 8
Jan. 26	Dec. 26	Jan. 4
March 1	Jan. 29	Feb. 7
May 3	April 1	April 10
June 7	May 6	May 15

2007-08 ACT Test Dates

Register online at www.act.org

Test Date	Registration Deadline	
	Regular	Late Fee
Oct. 27	Sept. 21	Sept. 22-Oct. 5
Dec. 8	Nov. 2	Nov. 3-15
Feb. 9	Jan. 4	Jan. 5-18
April 12	March 7	March 8-21
June 14	May 9	May 10-23

ASVAB

Sept. 20th and Feb. 21st

Register with Mrs. Suetopka in the CRC

The **ASVAB Career Exploration Program** is a comprehensive career exploration and planning program that includes a multiple aptitude test battery, an interest inventory and various career planning tools designed to help students explore the world of work.

The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is intended for use with students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades, as well as students in post-secondary schools. The Program provides tools, including the test battery and interest inventory, developed by the Department of Defense to help high school and post-secondary students across the nation learn more about career exploration and planning. Results of the aptitude test and the interest inventory enable students to evaluate their skills, estimate performance in academic and vocational endeavors, and identify potentially satisfying careers. These results are integrated with work values to help students identify and prioritize possible career choices. Students are encouraged to consider their own work-related values and other important personal preferences as they explore the world of work and learn career exploration skills that will benefit them throughout their work lives.



10th Grade Socratic Seminar Program

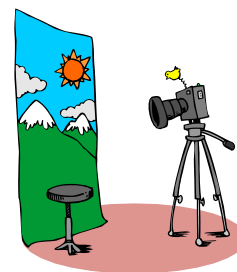
All of the information for the new **10th grade Socratic Seminar** program is being published online. We hope to have a registered domain name soon, but for now all of the schedules, reading lists, study tips, etc. can be accessed through the South High School website.

If you have questions about the program please e-mail Larissa Wright-Elson and/or Jamie Shearer.

Class of 2008 Graduation

Monday, May 12th - 2:00 pm
Senior Finals - May 8th & 9th
Seniors' Last Day - May 9th

School Picture Day



Tuesday, Sept. 11th

Do you have old film cameras collecting dust because you've gone "digital"?

Our photography teacher will take those and any other SLR's (single lens reflex) or other photo equipment.... tripods, lenses and flashes...just drop them off in the front office.....thanks!

Yearbooks are for sale every Wednesday during lunch in Room C118 for \$60.00

South Anchorage High School IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS



Main Line (Front Office)	742-6200
Main FAX	742-6207
Attendance (To report an absence)	566-5600
Attendance Office	742-6285
Registrar	742-6260
Counseling/Guidance	742-6257
Activities/Athletics	742-6304
Nurse	742-6287
Career Resource Center	742-6253
Student Services	742-6272

Visit the South Anchorage High School Website for up-to-date information on our school and events at

<http://www.asdk12.org/schools/south/pages/>



Electronic Communication Devices

Students are permitted to use cell phones and other electronic devices **only before school, after school and during lunch.**

The likely consequence for their misuse is confiscation and the requirement that they have to be retrieved by a parent.

SAHS Dress Code

Students must dress in a manner that does not detract from the educational environment. Clothing, jewelry or accessories are prohibited that do any of the following:

Is hazardous to the wearer or other students (clothing with spikes, industrial chains).

Imply or indicate affiliation with gangs or prohibited organizations.

Reference or glamorize drugs, alcohol or tobacco.

Display profanity, obscenity, sexual innuendo or harassing or demeaning messages.

Is sexually provocative or revealing (over exposed midriff)

Sagging trousers are prohibited.

A review of the **SAHS Student Handbook** was held in every classroom the second week of school. If your student did not bring a Handbook home, you may pick one up in the front office.

PARKING PERMITS



Parking Permits **MUST** be purchased **BEFORE** parking at school. Security will ticket vehicles without permits beginning Sept. 4th. Permits are \$50 per semester or \$100 per school year. Please provide the following:

- . Alaska Drivers License
- . Current Copy of Vehicle Registration
- . Current Proof of Insurance

Parents are required to sign the Parking Permit Application Form in the presence of a SAHS staff member or have their signature notarized.

**ALL OVERDUE FINES MUST BE CLEARED
BEFORE A PARKING PERMIT WILL
BE ISSUED.**

STUDENTS WALKING OFF CAMPUS DURING LUNCH

Students who wish to walk home at lunch need to have a parent's signature on the "Permit to Walk Off Campus at Lunch" form. These forms will be available from the Student Services office.

STUDENT MESSAGES

We do not take messages for students unless an emergency is involved. Please plan ahead and communicate after school transportation plans and appointment details with your student ahead of time.

Non Discrimination Statement

It is the policy of the Anchorage School District to provide equal educational and employment opportunities, and to provide services and benefits to all students and employees without regard to race, color, religion, disability, national origin, gender, marital status, change in marital status, pregnancy, parenthood or other prohibitions. This policy of the Anchorage School District is consistent with numerous laws, regulations, and executive orders enforced by various federal, state and municipal agencies, including but not limited to Section 504, Executive Order 11246, Title 41 (part 60-1, 60-2, 60-3, 60-20), Title VI and VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, and Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972. Inquiries or complaints may be addressed to the School District Equal Employment Opportunity Office, the Alaska State Commission for Human Rights, the Anchorage Equal Rights Commission, or the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, the Department of Education or the Department of Health and Human Services. Grievance procedures for student and employee concerns have been established by the Anchorage School District. For more information, contact: Director of EEO, P.O. Box 196614, Anchorage, AK 99519-6614 (907) 742-4132.

From the desk of **Juliana Armstrong, Staff Services AP**
742- 6332



Welcome back to another great year at South! To all those parents and new students who attended our recent Strategies for Success Workshop, I hope you came away with some useful information concerning how to best utilize the many resources we have available. Our goal is that all students will experience success at this school as they journey toward graduation.

At this time of life, a student's primary job is going to school. If one comes to school on time, avoids missing classes and makes a place for homework in his day, he is acquiring some wonderful attitudes toward work and responsibility that will serve him well in life. Good attendance is a major factor in academic success. Classes missed are often hard to make up. This is especially true for those students enrolled in our honors and AP classes.

At this time of year, a fishing metaphor might be appropriate. My husband often says, "You can sit in your boat all day, but you won't catch any fish unless your hook is in the water." In the same way, a student can be enrolled in school, but if she skips class or is chronically late, there is no education going on. It takes the day-to-day attention, where each step builds upon the previous one, for learning to occur.

Parents, please take our calendar into account when planning family vacations. December 19 and 20 are reserved for finals, which may not be taken early. Although teachers will work on Dec. 21, your children will be off that day. Please don't give them the albatross of undone finals to drag around during the holidays.

Likewise, May 21 and 22, 2008 are also reserved for second semester finals for underclassmen. Surely any student will be less successful on a final after several weeks or months have passed. Please help us teach respect for education and celebrate your child's accomplishments by delaying travel until after the school year has concluded. We love your kids so much we want to see every one of them every single day!

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Cyberbullying

Deb Ward, School Psychologist

Cyberbullying involves intimidating, humiliating and overpowering others; however, instead of using fists and spoken words, cyberbullies establish power electronically through e-mails, cell phone or pager text messages and instant messages (IM). The goal of cyberbullies is to gain power and control over another person whom they perceive as weak and vulnerable. While the intent is the same, cyberbullying differs from physical bullying in several key ways. First, it is more difficult to observe because students have nearly continuous access to electronic communication. Next, it can be sent to a huge audience at the same time. Last, the aggressor can attack almost anywhere, often at home, which was once a safe haven.

Parental awareness and monitoring of the friends, activities, and interests of their children can help decrease the risk of problems. However, if cyberbullying occurs, parents can encourage students to:

- ❖ Refuse to pass along any messages that are cruel or demeaning.
- ❖ Refuse to open or read messages from cyberbullies and block the bully's messages.
- ❖ Resist erasing the messages, as they may be needed to take action.
- ❖ Tell any friend who is cyberbullying...to STOP.
- ❖ Think about the possible consequences before clicking SEND.

The Anchorage School District prohibits the use of cell phones and pagers during classes and denies access to most social networking sites on school computers. However, if electronic communication is sent during school activities (i.e., dances, sports, etc.) or on school property, it is important for students to alert security staff or administrators. The district has established policies relating to electronic communication and cyberbullying. If negative electronic communication creates substantial disruption to the educational process, then disciplinary and or legal actions may be taken. Here are some tips for students if they feel they are being harassed:

- ❖ Contact school officials if the message was sent during school/suggests potential harm at school.
 - ❖ Contact the School Resource Officer or Anchorage Police Department if threatened with harm.
 - ❖ File a complaint with the website Internet Service Provider or telephone company.
 - ❖ Print copies of messages, as they may be needed to take action.
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Activities Department

Pat Walker, A.P.

742- 6304



The fall activities seasons are up and running at full speed with changes occurring due to the opening of new synthetic fields and inclement weather. Speaking of changes, yes, mine is a new face in the Activities Office, but not new to South. I have been working in the Staff Services area for the past three years and am now coming up to speed with all that is happening with South's activities. If you wish to stay abreast of all of the changes in Activities, please check the following websites frequently as some events are subject to changes due to weather, buses, and all of the other things that can impact the start times of events and last minute location changes:

<http://www.asdk12.org/schools/south/pages/>

<http://www.asdk12.org/>

The first website is that of our own South Anchorage High School. From our home page, select the green icon in the lower left side of the page (HighSchoolSports.net) and go directly to our activities web. I am updating this webpage as I receive information so check it often for updates.

The second website is the home page of the ASD and you can access all of the sports schedules for high school and middle school from the **Activities** link on the upper right side of the page.

I hope that these electronic updates will help you and your students with planning. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me in the Activities Office at 742-6302 or via e-mail at: walker_patricia@asdk12.org.



Let's go to England, Scotland, and Ireland! South High students will have the opportunity to visit Ireland and the United Kingdom from March 7-17, 2008. The price for students is \$2,908 and the spaces are filling up fast. See Mr. Wright in room H209 for more information.



Senior Photo Specification

-1 1/8" to 1 1/4" head size measured from top of hair to chin.

-No backlighting, hands.

-Forward facing only--no profiles!

-Appropriate attire: no hats, t-shirts, sunglasses, etc.

-Color should be neutral rembrant blue gray, cool tone blue-gray.

-Digital images are preferred. The image must be jpg or tif, with a resolution of 300 dpi or more. Please supply them on a Zip or CD.

MUST BE TURNED In to Mrs. Vogel's mailbox
or to Rm. C118 at South by
September 28th
NO EXCEPTIONS

Music Department Showcase Concert

featuring SAHS Band, Choir and
Orchestra

October 23, 2007

7:00pm

SAHS Auditoria

Free Admission

**All-State Music Festival audition
tapes are due September 21st.**



DDF News

Are you a drama queen (or king)? Do you love to argue politics with your friends? Then we need you to join our DDF team! DDF stands for Drama, Debate, and Forensics (public speaking). We compete against other school teams in these areas, and our season runs from September through the first week of March.

Look for recruiting events soon. See **Mrs. Lovegreen in G109** for details.



Immunizations

Many students need their Tetanus 10 year booster and are at risk for being excluded from school in September 2007

Please remember to provide documentation of your child's shot record every time they receive an immunization at their Health Care Provider's office. These health records are NOT automatically forwarded to the school nurse. Reminder letters were mailed in May 2007 to inform parents of this requirement. Please check your child's shot record and provide an updated copy of your child's immunizations to the school nurse.

Asthma/Seizures/Diabetes

Students with Asthma, Seizures, or Diabetes should have an "Action Plan" provided to the school nurse. Both the parent and the physician complete the "Action Plan." Students are able to carry their medications at school if the parents and the physician have signed the form stating this is permitted.

Medications

All student medications must be provided in the original container from the pharmacy or the grocery store and be accompanied by the parental/physician written request for administration at school. Parents must complete the necessary Anchorage School District medication forms and provide the medication for their child.

All medications, with the exception of "Rescue" medications must be kept in the nurse's office and administered by the school nurse or nurse's assistant. "Rescue" medications include inhalers for Asthma, Epi-Pens for Anaphylactic reactions, and Glucagon for Diabetes. These medications can be carried by students only with permission from the MD, the parents, and the nurse. The "Self-Administered Medication" form is available on-line and from the school nurse.

Questions?

If you have questions or concerns, please call the school nurse, **Luann Fogels, at 742-6287.** FAX shot records to 742-6215.

Renee Wood
Library Media Specialist
742-6296



Pete Tryon
Technology Coordinator
742-6317

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Literacy

Our goal at South is to ensure that students heading off into the world are information literate. Information literacy includes the ability to access, locate, evaluate, and use information; it involves communicating information and ideas; it means using information in a socially responsible and ethical manner. All of these skills are intended to make the student an independent consumer of information. Information literacy also means reading, listening and viewing a variety of media for personal enjoyment and lifelong learning.

To start the school year, all incoming freshmen will receive an orientation to the library and the school's computer network. We also offer lessons introducing students to the various electronic resources, evaluating web sites, how to avoid plagiarism, proper citation format, using Microsoft tools, and how to create spreadsheets and graphs. These lessons are not just for freshmen, however. The technology coordinator and I will be working with teachers in all the core subject areas to integrate information and communication technology skills into the curriculum.

For more information visit: http://www.asdk12.org/staff/tryon_peter/pages/a_SAHS_4Years/index_SAHS_4Years.htm. This plan is a work in progress and we are open to comments and suggestions. You can email me at wood_renee@asdk12.org or Mr. Tryon at Tryon_peter@asdk12.org.

A New Look and Name for the Databases for Alaskans

The *Digital Pipeline*, formally Databases for Alaskans, has a new look. If you are new to the databases, these are web-based subscription databases covering topics from health care to car repair and are an excellent resource for student research projects. The databases provide free and unlimited access to thousands of academic journals, popular magazines, and newspapers from around the world. This past year a committee worked to make the databases more accessible by redesigning the interface page (see: <http://sled.alaska.edu/databases/home.html>). In addition, the name was changed to *Digital Pipeline* to alleviate the confusion over the contents of the databases. The *Digital Pipeline* is generously provided to all Alaskans through the State Library. You can call me at 742-6298 or 1-800-440-2919 for the passwords to access this incredible resource.

Live Homework Help – Now available on Macs

Live Homework Help is a free online tutoring service provided through the State Library. Previously, this service was available only to PC users. This summer, Tutor.com, the company that developed Homework Help, made some changes to their service and it is now available to Macintosh users.

Live Homework Help can be accessed through the South library webpage: (http://www.asdk12.org/staff/wood_renee/pages/librarysite/). Select the link under "Other Digital Resources". The service is available from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and provides live tutoring for students in grades 4-12 and some college introduction. Tutoring is available in English, social studies, science, and math. The students who have used this service have found it very beneficial.

Celebrate *Banned Books Week*

Look for information coming on the library web page about celebrating intellectual freedom and *Banned Books Week* September 29 through October 6.



South Anchorage High School AK-20041 Air Force Junior ROTC By Master Sergeant Keith Coulter



Congratulations to the cadets of South Anchorage High School!!! For the third consecutive year, the "Wolverine" Squadron has been recognized by the Air Force's Air Education and Training Command with the **Distinguished Unit Award**. This recognition is a result of the individual efforts of every assigned cadet who helped the unit achieve and exceed its established goals. Eighty cadets accrued over 2,600 hours of community service while 59% achieved 20 or more hours resulting in recognition from the Mayor's office and four Presidential Service Awards. One such goal cadets initiated and exceeded was to accrue 2,600 hours of community service.

From 9-14 August, 43 select cadets were invited to attend our **6-day Summer Leadership School**. Cadets were mentally and physically tested during the duration of the encampment. Cadets received Advanced First Aid and Survival training. Canoeed, fished, cooked meals, and participated team building activities. While on Elmendorf AFB, cadets received several tours of Air Force base organizations and training operations. The unit toured the 381st Intelligence facility, the airfield tower, and the Regional



Air Operations Center. Additionally, cadets flew state of the art C-17 simulators, airfield operations simulators, drove F-15 armament load equipment and explosive ordnance disposal unit robots. The tours and the camp culminated with white water rafting, freefall rappelling from a 30ft tower, and flightline tours of F-15 and the new F-22 fighter aircraft. These students took away lifelong memories and a new understanding of professionalism, accountability, teamwork, and individual responsibility to strive for excellence.

If you weren't involved in the JROTC last year, you missed competing in 4 military **Drill Competitions** including travel to Eielson Air Force Base in Fairbanks Alaska. You also missed the best dance in Anchorage-- **The Military Ball**. This year, this catered event will be

held at the Anchorage International Airport Train Depot. You missed the opportunity to be recognized for your efforts and achievements by over 30 military and private support organizations with plaques, trophies, medals, and scholarships during our formal **Military Dining Out and Awards Ceremony**.

You missed Incentive flights on Army and Air National Guard Blackhawk helicopters, C-12, and KC-135 aerial refueling aircraft. Lunch with **Governor Palin**, the 3rd Wing Commander, **Brigadier General Carlisle**, **9/11 New York City Fire Commissioner Mr Thomas Von Essen** and dinner with too many local dignitaries to even mention. We conducted **46 color guard** performances in the community supporting the Martin Luther King Day Celebrations and DARE Graduation ceremony to name a few. You missed a picnic, a holiday party and the opportunity to work with some wonderful people in support of the Special Olympics and MLK celebrations.

If that isn't enough...you just plain missed out on some great fun, including rock climbing, ping-pong, miniature golf, bowling, basketball, dodge ball, and the Anchorage-area Wacko games. You missed hands-on curriculum on rocketry that resulted in students building and then launching their own rockets. You missed the opportunity to visit the Battle Command Training Center on Fort Richardson where cadets were put in a state-of-the-art, virtual world. This simulator enabled cadets to safely handle "mock" military weapons such as the M16, M4, M136 and AT4 rocket launcher and test their skills in several virtual scenarios.

Lastly, over **\$50,000** in Air Force and locally sponsored **college scholarships** were given to graduating cadets. **Don't miss THAT opportunity**. The **2007-2008 school year** is already looking like a benchmark year. Our **cadets will learn** how to manage resources, set goals, motivate peers, and lead by example. These young students and future leaders, continuously volunteer in the community, test themselves and compete physically, travel, learn about the aerospace sciences, and develop strong bonds of friendship. Our vision and our goal is a single statement-**Create Better Citizens**; better citizens for our school, for the Anchorage community, and in the end, for our country.

If you believe you are up to the challenge, to be recognized, to be valued, and to be part of something bigger than yourself, then contact Lt Col Orme, myself, or your counselors. We look forward to meeting you and providing you new opportunities.

STUDENT RIGHT TO PRIVACY FORM

RELEASE & DISCLOSURE OF PRIVATE INFORMATION

Student ID Number _____

Student Name (Printed) _____

School Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed) _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

As a student you have the right to request that your private information is not released to military recruiters and others. **Complete this right to privacy form and give it to your Principal or School Administrator.**

- ☐ I request that this student's name, address, and telephone number **not** be released to **Armed Forces and Military Recruiters, or Military Schools.**
- ☐ I request that this student's name, address, and telephone number **not** be released to **post-secondary education institutions.**
- ☐ I request that this student's **directory information not** be released per ASD Policy 343.34 described on the back of this form.

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This right to privacy form will remain in effect throughout the student's time in the Anchorage School District until said student chooses to allow release of private information.

Federal public law 107-110, section 9528 of the ESEA, "No Child Left Behind Act" requires school districts to release student names, addresses, and phone numbers to military recruiters upon their request. Students may then be called at home by recruiters about joining the military. The law also requires the school district to notify you of your right to Opt-Out from this by requesting that the district not release your information to military recruiters. The completion and return of this form serves as your request to withhold your private information.

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Release and Disclosure
Directory Information Policy 343.34
NCLB Military Recruiters

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a federal law, requires the District, with certain exceptions, to obtain your consent prior to disclosing personal information from your student's education records. The law recognizes, though, that schools often desire to publish student information, for example, to recognize students through awards or athletic programs. Additionally, outside organizations such as colleges, legislators, the military, and vendors for items such as photographs or class rings, often seek contact information for students. To meet this need, FERPA allows the District to designate as "directory information" any personally identifiable information in a student's educational records that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. School officials may release directory information about a student without first obtaining parental consent, unless you object by returning this form.

The District has identified the following information as directory information: student name, address, date and place of birth, dates of attendance, grade level, degrees and awards received, date of graduation, name of secondary school most recently attended, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, and height and weight of members of interscholastic athletic teams. This list is found at Anchorage School Board Policy 343.34. A copy of this policy is available for review in the office of all of our schools, or on the District's website.

In two instances, the District is required by law to release certain contact information regarding junior and senior high school students, unless you object. First, the District is required to provide to the University of Alaska the names and addresses of those students eligible for UA scholarship programs. Second, upon receiving a request from military recruiters and/or institutions of higher learning, the District must provide names, addresses, and telephone listings. The form below specifically allows you, as a parent, to object to release of phone numbers and directory information to military recruiters and colleges.

If you do not want the District to disclose directory information from your student's education records during the 2007-2008 school year, you must notify the District, in writing, by returning this form. **If you have no objections to the release of directory information, you do not need to take any action.**

Thank you for your cooperation.

South Anchorage High School - September 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 1:00PM G JV FFB Chugiak High School 2:30PM G V FFB Chugiak High School
2	3 Holiday (No School)	4 3:00PM C V TN West Anchorage High School	5 5:00PM G C VB @ Chugiak High School 6:00PM G JV VB @ Chugiak High School 6:00PM G JV FFB Bartlett High School 7:15PM G V VB @ Chugiak High School 7:30PM G V FFB Bartlett High School	6 3:00PM C V TN @ East High School 3:00PM C V TN East High School 6:00PM B C FB Chugiak High School	7 3:00PM B JV FB West Anchorage High School 4:00PM C V S&D @ Bartlett High School 4:30PM G V GYM @ West Anchorage High School 6:00PM G V FFB West Anchorage High School 7:30PM B V FB West Anchorage High School	8 TBA C V XCR @ Palmer Invitational 9:00AM G JV VB @ West Tournament 9:00AM G C VB South Anch Tournament 9:00AM G C VB @ Bartlett Tournament 10:00AM G JV FFB West Anchorage High School 10:30AM C V TN @ A J Dimond High School 8:00PM Dance
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2007-08 School Year Calendar*

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AUGUST

16 Teachers' first day
17,20-21 State released professional development days
22 Classes begin

SEPTEMBER

3 Labor Day holiday

OCTOBER

2-4 State assigned testing days
19 End of first quarter. State released grade reporting day.

NOVEMBER

7-8 Parent conference days. School schedules and student-release times vary. Check with your school for specific schedule.
9 State released professional development day
22-23 Thanksgiving holiday

DECEMBER

21 End of second quarter. State released grade reporting day
24-31 Winter Vacation

JANUARY

1-4 Winter Vacation (continued)
21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - no school

FEBRUARY

18 Presidents Day

MARCH

7 End of third quarter. State released grade reporting day
10-14 Spring break
26-27 Parent conference days. School schedules and student-release times vary. Check with your school for specific schedule.
28 State released professional development day

APRIL

1-3,8 State assigned testing dates

MAY

22 Classes end. End of fourth quarter.
23 Teachers' last day
26 Memorial Day holiday

- () Beginning, end of quarter
- Vacation day, holiday
- State released in-service day(s)
- Parent conference
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News from the Parent/Student/Teacher Organization (PTSO)

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School Store
Volunteer Coord.
Nancy Lovering

As we begin our 4th year at South, I would like to welcome all the new families, as well as the returning folks, to the South High community. We have a strong parent group and I invite all of you to join the PTSO if you have not already done so. Membership is only \$6.00 per person, and all the funds stay right here in the school and get put back into the many programs the PTSO sponsors and supports here at South.

This year look for our focus to be on College Preparation and other options for after high school, as well as volunteerism. Many kids get to their senior year and while filling out their college apps realize they should have done some volunteering during their high school years. We plan to host a volunteer fair in the fall (mid-October) to show the kids what options are available here in our community. Watch the daily announcements and the web site for more information.

Thanks go out to all the folks who helped during registration. Registration went very smoothly due to their gifts of time. Thanks, also, to those parents who came to hand out schedules on the first day of school, and in advance as I write, to those parents who helped with the 1st All-School Breakfast of the year during Homecoming week. We couldn't do any of these things without the help of our parent volunteers. If you would like to help with any of our programs please contact me and I will put you

in touch with the right folks.

General Membership Meeting information will be posted in the daily announcements and on our website as soon as a date and time have been set. Please plan to attend as we will be approving the budget and goals for the coming year and your input is important to us.

Don't forget to mention South High when shopping at Party and Crafts for a 5% rebate to the school. Have you signed up for Escrip? Register your Carrs card with the Escrip program for up to a 4% rebate to the school. Find registration information on our web site at www.shptso.org.

Shop our school store for all your South logo wear, as well as other school necessities. We are open during the lunch hour.

With the earlier school schedule we just wanted to give a quick reminder we will be having our annual "Soup Luncheon" for the teachers during fall conferences. So get those recipes ready and we will have more information by next newsletter. Again thank you to all our parents for your support.

If you have any comments, questions, compliments or complaints, feel free to contact me at bkseward@aol.com or 345-3005.

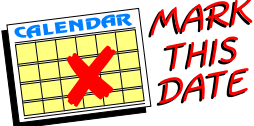
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Labor Day - Monday, Sept. 3rd - No School

Homecoming Dance - SAHS Auditoria/8:00-11:00pm.....Sat., Sept. 8th
School Pictures.....Tues., Sept. 11th

SAHS Open House - 7:00pm.....Tues., Sept. 18th

Senior Yearbook Picture Deadline.....Sept. 28th
Retakes for High School Graduation Qualification Exam.....October 2nd - 4th
In-Service Day/End of 1st Quarter/No School.....Fri., October 19th