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## SPARTANS SPEAK

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### Sign your child's forms with SchoolCash Online

SchoolCash Online has been adapted to, not only provide parents with a direct means of paying for school items and activities, but to enable parents to remotely sign forms required by the school. Forms have been posted there that we urgently require you to sign for your student. If you have not already done so, please take a moment to visit the site and see what is in your child's account that requires completion at <https://simcoecounty.schoolcashonline.com/>.

**Please note that you will not be required to enter any financial information unless you wish to pay for items and activities online.**

For more information on how to set up a SchoolCash Online account, please email Heidi Perrin at [hperrin@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:hperrin@scdsb.on.ca).

### No Visitor Access

Following the direction from our local health authority, the SMDHU, all SCDSB schools are closed to parents/guardians and visitors. Parents/guardians may call our main office at 705-428-2639 to receive assistance. Our main office phone number is posted on the doors of the school.

### COVID-19 Daily Self Assessment Tool

All students and staff will be required to complete the daily COVID-19 self-assessment prior to entering SCDSB schools and buildings, using the provincial self-assessment tool. Students or staff with symptoms must stay home from school. To access the COVID-19 self-assessment tool, please visit <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>.

### School bus transportation information available from the SCSTC

For school bus transportation information, visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s website at: [main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca). Also, remember to bookmark the school bus information page at: [simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) for bus delay and cancellation information on inclement weather days.

### Coming Events

Oct 7	Terry Fox Run Bring a Toonie for Terry!
Oct 8	Progress Reports for Gr 9-12
Oct 11	Thanksgiving School Closed
Oct 14	Gr 9-12 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews (Virtual) 5pm-7pm
Oct 22	PA Day for grades 7-12
Oct 26	University Information Program (Virtual) 5pm-7pm
Nov 4	Gr 7-8 Report Cards
Nov 7	Daylight Savings Time Ends Fall back 1 hour
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 12	PA Day for grades 7-12
Nov 15-18	Gr 7-8 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews
Nov 22	Gr 9-12 Midterm Report Cards
Nov 29	Virtual School Council Meeting 6:30-8:30
Dec 20-31	Winter Holidays school closed
Jan 28	PA Day for grades 7/8 only
Feb 2	PA Day for grades 9-12 only
Feb 3	Gr 9-12 Semester 2 begins
Mar 14-18	March Break school closed
June 27	Gr 8 Graduation 6:00pm
June 28	Gr 12 Commencement 7:00pm

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### **Inclement weather and bus cancellation information reminder**

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at [www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca). Our school is in the **West zone** and you will always find the link in our Important Links to the left. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. School staff are expected to plan for such emergencies in order to transition students who are unable to attend due to inclement weather, to their online platforms (Google Classroom and/or SCDSBhub [Brightspace by D2L]) and continue with academic programming. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

The Consortium and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled in the morning will not run at the end of the day. You can follow the Consortium on Twitter [@SCSTC\\_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>.

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### **School Bus Safety Week and School Bus Driver Appreciation Day**

School Bus Safety Week takes place Oct. 18 to 22, 2021. Please visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) website at [main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) for information on school bus safety and links to school bus safety resources. Oct. 20, 2021 is School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in the province of Ontario. It's a great opportunity for the school community to thank our bus drivers for all their hard work transporting students to and from school safely.

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### **Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 3 to 9**

This year's Fire Prevention Week theme, 'Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety' works to educate everyone about the different sounds smoke and carbon monoxide alarms make. Knowing what to do when an alarm sounds will keep you and your family safe. For more information about Fire Prevention Week and this year's theme, along with a wealth of resources to help promote the campaign locally, visit [fpw.org](http://fpw.org).

*Information from the National Fire Protection Association website*

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### **Supporting your child's math development**

Are you looking for ways to support your child in developing their love of math? In class, your child has been learning about how their mindset, experiences and identity have shaped them as a math learner. You can make a difference and support your child's learning by helping them see connections between their everyday experiences and the mathematics concepts they are learning about at school.

Ways to help your child develop their personal connection with mathematics:

- notice and name the math in your day-to-day lives at home
- talk about the ways math is used in your culture
- tell stories about your positive math experiences
- share ways that math has helped you solve problems at work or home identify the beauty of math in nature and at home (in patterns, symmetry, geometric shapes, etc.)

We're planning a Math@Home learning series for parents and want to know what you would like to learn more about! Complete the survey at <https://bit.ly/scdsbmathathome>, and include your email for a chance to win one of three Math@Home prize packs!

## **IMPORTANT LINKS**

[COVID-19 Daily Self Assessment Tool](#)

[Late Buses & Snow Days \(West\)](#)

[SchoolCash Online](#)

[Parent Portal](#)

[What's Happening At SCI](#)

[Subscribe to our SCI website and stay up to date!!](#)

[Report Bullying, Drug Use or Vandalism](#)

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[SCDSB 2021-22 School Year Calendar](#)

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[Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit](#)

[Educate Yourself About Covid-19 In Our Area](#)

[Ontario Universities Fair](#)

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[Try a Taste Of Clearview Oct 15 to Nov 14](#)

[Understanding the Relationship Between Addiction and Mental Health](#)

[5 Fresh Fall Recipes To Try This Season](#)