
School Information

2012-13

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South Hills Middle School

Home of the White Tigers

*Carolyn Gough: Principal
Georgia Wing: Assistant Principal
Justin Welch: Assistant Principal*

Dear Parents and Students:

It is a pleasure to welcome you to South Hills Middle School for the 2012-2013 school year. We are committed to making your student's school experience an excellent one, both academically and socially. At South Hills, we pride ourselves in providing an environment where middle school learners thrive. We look forward to getting to know and interacting with you and your student throughout the upcoming school year. We also wish to extend an open invitation to you to come in and visit with us. Please check in at the office, our doors are always open and we want to hear what your thoughts are regarding your student's education.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

- This year Jordan School District will be utilizing online registration. This has been done to simplify the registration process.
- Online registration will be available from July 30, 2012 to August 10, 2012
- Please see the enclosed letter for online registration instructions, username and password.
- Registration can only be accessed using **PARENT** login information.
- If you do not have access to a computer you may come to the school during the online registration window and a computer will be made available to you in the main office between the hours of 8:00 am – 2:00 pm.

FEES

- Fees can be paid online using a credit or debit card during the registration process.
- 7th grade fees \$85.00 (required)
- 8th & 9th grades fees \$65.00 (required)
- Fees that are not paid online must be received in our office no later than August 17, 2012.

FEE WAIVER

- Students requiring a fee waiver WILL require approval of an administrator. Please fill out the online registration materials and an administrator will review your Fee Waiver information. Waivers are good for the 3 years your student attends South Hills Middle, but paperwork must be filled out each year.

YOU MAY ACCESS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON SKYWARD

- Class schedule
- Locker assignment
- Bus stop information
- This information will be available beginning August 20th for students that have completed online registration and paid required school fees.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

- **Please mark your calendar for Thursday, AUGUST 30, 2012, 6:00 TO 7:30 P.M.**
- **THERE WILL BE A FAMILY BARBEQUE PRIOR TO BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT, which will be hosted by the PTA. It will begin at 5:15 and end at 6:00. PM.**

This is a great opportunity for you to meet teachers and become familiar with your student's schedule. The administration, counselors, and PTSA leadership will be available to answer your questions as well.

7TH GRADE ORIENTATION (first day of school for 7th graders)

- 7th Grade Orientation is Monday, August 27, 2012.
- School will begin at 8:00 am and dismiss at 12:00 pm.
- 7th grade students will report to their first period class and will attend all classes through a modified schedule.
- Busses will run their regular routes and stop at all regular stops.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 8th & 9th GRADERS

- The 2012-13 school year begins on Tuesday, August 28, 2012.
- School will start at 8:00 a.m. and dismiss at 3:00 p.m.

LATE START SCHEDULE

- All middle schools in the Jordan School District are on a "late start" schedule to accommodate collaboration time for teachers. ****Please note that on Friday school begins at 10:00.****
- **Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
- **Friday (Late Start): 10:00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.**

CLASS SCHEDULES

- Class schedules will be available to view on Skyward August 20th.
- Our class schedule is very tight this year and counselors will not be able to make class schedule changes to accommodate friends, lunches, etc. Schedule changes will be considered on an individual need basis only.

LOCKERS

- Locker information will be available to view on Skyward August 20th
- The computer will generate locker assignments this year so it will not be possible to make specific locker requests during registration.
- Seventh grade students will be able to locate and try locker combinations during seventh grade orientation.
- If students have specific needs with lockers, changes will be considered thru our Attendance office.

STUDENT PLANNERS

- Students will be issued a personal school planner during the first week of school.
- Students and parents will be requested to sign a Planner Contract after reviewing the Student Code of Conduct.
- If the planner is lost, students will be required to purchase a replacement for \$5.00.

IMMUNIZATIONS

- All 8th & 9th grade students must have (5) DPT, (4) Polio, (2) MMR, (3) Hepatitis B, (2) Hepatitis A, and Varicella (chickenpox)-history of disease is acceptable before registering. 7th grade students need an additional TDAP booster. ***Proof of immunizations for 7th grade is required for registration. Care-A-Van will be at the school on Wednesday, August 15th, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. This is an easy way to get your child immunized.***
- Students who attended school at South Hills last year will have immunization records on file.
- Students who are not immunized for medical or personal reasons are required to obtain an exemption form from the local health department, which must be presented with registration. A new exemption must be completed every year.

We are looking forward to another great year!

South Hills Middle School Administration,

Carolyn Gough, *Principal*
Georgia Wing, *Assistant Principal*
Justin Welch, *Assistant Principal*

Regular Bell Schedule (Mon-Thurs)

| | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| Warning Bell | 7:55 am | | |
| 1st Period | 8:00 | 8:47 | 47 min |
| 2nd (Tiger Time) | 8:52 | 9:22 | 30 min |
| 3rd Period | 9:27 | 10:13 | 46 min |
| 4th Period | 10:18 | 11:04 | 46 min |
| A Lunch | 11:04 | 11:34 | |
| 5th Period | 11:39 | 12:25 | 46 min |
| 6th Period | 12:30 | 1:16 | 46 min |
| 5th Period | 11:09 | 11:55 | 46 min |
| B Lunch | 11:55 | 12:25 | |
| 6th Period | 12:30 | 1:16 | 46 min |
| 5th Period | 11:09 | 11:55 | 46 min |
| 6th Period | 12:00 | 12:46 | 46 min |
| C Lunch | 12:46 | 1:16 | |
| 7th Period | 1:21 | 2:08 | 47 min |
| 8 th Period | 2:13 | 3:00 | 47 min |

Late Start Bell Schedule (Fri)

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|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| Warning Bell | 9:55 am | | |
| 1st Period | 10:00 | 10:34 | 34 min |
| 3rd Period | 10:39 | 11:13 | 34 min |
| 4th Period | 11:18 | 11:52 | 34 min |
| A Lunch | 11:52 | 12:22 | |
| 5th Period | 12:27 | 1:02 | 35 min |
| 6th Period | 1:07 | 1:42 | 35 min |
| 5th Period | 11:57 | 12:32 | 35 min |
| B Lunch | 12:32 | 1:02 | |
| 6th Period | 1:07 | 1:42 | 35 min |
| 5th Period | 11:57 | 12:32 | 35 min |
| 6th Period | 12:37 | 1:12 | 35 min |
| C Lunch | 1:12 | 1:42 | |
| 7th Period | 1:47 | 2:21 | 34 min |
| 8th Period | 2:26 | 3:00 | 34 min |

AM Activity Bell Schedule

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|----------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Warning Bell | 7:55 am | | |
| 1st Period | 8:00 | 8:30 | 30 min |
| TA (AM Assembly/TA/Intervention) | 8:35 | 10:34 | 119 min |
| 3rd Period | 10:39 | 11:13 | 34 min |
| 4th Period | 11:18 | 11:52 | 34 min |
| A Lunch | 11:52 | 12:22 | |
| 5th Period | 12:27 | 1:02 | 35 min |
| 6th Period | 1:07 | 1:42 | 35 min |
| 5th Period | 11:57 | 12:32 | 35 min |
| B Lunch | 12:32 | 1:02 | |
| 6th Period | 1:07 | 1:42 | 35 min |
| 5th Period | 11:57 | 12:32 | 35 min |
| 6th Period | 12:37 | 1:12 | 35 min |
| C Lunch | 1:12 | 1:42 | |
| 7th Period | 1:47 | 2:21 | 32 min |
| 8th Period | 2:26 | 3:00 | 32 min |

PM Activity Bell Schedule

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|---------------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Warning Bell | 7:55 am | | |
| 1st Period | 8:00 | 8:30 | 30 min |
| 3rd Period | 8:35 | 9:09 | 34 min |
| 4th Period | 9:14 | 9:49 | 34 min |
| 7th Period | 9:54 | 10:29 | 34 min |
| 8th Period | 10:34 | 11:08 | 34 min |
| A Lunch | 11:08 | 11:38 | |
| 5th Period | 11:43 | 12:18 | 35 min |
| 6th Period | 12:23 | 12:58 | 35 min |
| 5th Period | 11:13 | 11:48 | 35 min |
| B Lunch | 11:48 | 12:18 | |
| 6th Period | 12:23 | 12:58 | 35 min |
| 5th Period | 11:13 | 11:48 | 35 min |
| 6th Period | 11:53 | 12:28 | 35 min |
| C Lunch | 12:28 | 12:58 | |
| TA - PM Assembly/Activity | 1:04 | 3:00 | 120 min |

SOUTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL
7th GRADE
ORIENTATION DAY

As you well know the transition from elementary to middle school can be a difficult time for many students. We have found that by utilizing an orientation day for incoming 7th grade students, stress and anxiety associated with this transition can be greatly reduced.

In the Jordan School District, the traditional school year will begin on Tuesday, Aug. 28th 2012. However, **Monday, August 27th** will be **7th GRADE ORIENTATION DAY** at South Hills Middle School. On this day, 7th grade students report for one half day of school.

Busses run their regular routes and stop at all regular stops. School will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 12:00 p.m. on this day.

During the day students follow an abbreviated version of their schedule. This allows them to learn the location of each classroom. In addition, students are assisted in finding and learning how to operate their lockers.

They also receive an orientation about the expectations of each class as well as an orientation dealing with the school and district policies. All this is done in a more nurturing environment with much more individual attention than a traditional first day of school would allow.

In exchange for starting their school year a half day early, **7th graders end their year one half day earlier** and are not required to attend the traditional last half day of school which will be on June 5 this school year.

7th grade students will also have a chance to experience our lunchroom practices. Students will use their lunch numbers for the first time to get a complimentary piece of pizza and a drink. Please make sure your student memorizes their lunch number for this date.

We look forward to welcoming your 7th grade student to South Hills. We are committed to making their middle school experience a successful one.

Sincerely
South Hills Middle School Administration



Reality Town

We need about **60 volunteers** to man booths for our 9th grade Reality Town on **Tuesday October 2, 2012 from 7:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.** If you can work both sessions that would be great, but we welcome any help we can get. This activity is a very fun experience for parents to do with their students.

Reality Town is a fabulous experience! 9th grade students are given a job according to their GPA. They will visit about 20 booths to buy a home, car, clothing, groceries, daycare, insurance, medical, etc... If you would be willing to help, please email **louanna.schick@jordandistrict.org / yolanda.tyrrell@jordandistrict.org**

Or visit the Counseling Web page at: **southhillscounseling.wordpress.com**

Students of Parents who volunteer for Reality Town will receive an extra \$100.00 on their check register at the bank when they receive their books that morning.



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

FOR 7TH GRADE ENTRY 2012-13

To attend the 7th grade, a student must have written proof of receiving the following immunizations.

- **Tdap** – 1 dose regardless of interval since the last tetanus/diphtheria containing vaccine.
- **Hepatitis B** - 3 doses
- **Hepatitis A**- 2 doses
- **Varicella (chickenpox)** -1dose or history of disease is acceptable; a parent must sign the verification statement on the school immunization record.

Students **will not be allowed to attend the first day of school** unless they have shown proof of immunization to the counseling center.

Immunizations will be available at South Hills Middle School on August 15, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

South Hills Middle School

Attendance Office

Dear Parents/Guardians:

For the 2012/2013 school year attendance procedures will be as follows:

Please be aware that your student will be released only to the emergency contacts listed in the student information section of your online enrollment. Emergency contact information may be updated at anytime in Skyward Family Access.

Also, to have any absence excused, the parent/guardian must call the Attendance Office within one week of an absence to excuse it. After one week, the absence will remain unexcused.

Check-in:

In accordance with Jordan District policy, check-ins that will be excused are:

- Doctor or dentist appointments
- Verified illness or family emergency

A call (801-412-2405) or note explaining the reason for your student's absence should be given to the attendance office at the time of check-in. If sending a note, please mark the time you dropped your student off at school. Parents can excuse three late morning check-ins per quarter for reasons other than those listed above. After those three late check-ins, students will be counted as tardy (unexcused). All check-ins that do not meet the excusable criteria will be marked unexcused, and will count as a tardy. Parents please be very specific on reasons in all notes sent for check-ins. If no reason is listed the student will remain unexcused. We rely on your help in teaching students to be punctual and responsible.

Check-out: Notes are not accepted for check-outs. Parents must come in to the Attendance Office to sign their student out. Parents can call ahead (801-412-2405) in the morning to let the school know of the need for their student to check-out, and we will have the student in the office at the correct time. This procedure will help monitor those students who have legitimate reasons to be released from school, and prevent forged notes.

Educational Leave Request: If a student will miss school due to a family vacation, they are able to have up to ten Educational Leave days in a school year. In order for these days to be approved, a request must be made from the parent at least three days before the student will be gone. An Educational Leave form will be filled out and given to the student to take to teachers for assignments and signatures. That form **must be returned to the Attendance Office before the student leaves** for Educational Leave credit to be given. Otherwise it will be a guardian excused absence.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to keep your children safe. We appreciate your help in following these procedures. We look forward to a great school year with your student.

Sincerely,

Justin Welch
Assistant Principal

Georgia Wing
Assistant Principal

SHMS Busing Information 2012-2013



Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

You may access bus information in Skyward after your students class schedule is released on August 20th in the “Student Information” screen under the “Bus Schedule” tab **OR** on the district website www.jordandistrict.org

Once on the home page, find the heading:

Parents & Students

Under Parents & Students you will find a link:

Boundaries & Bus Stops

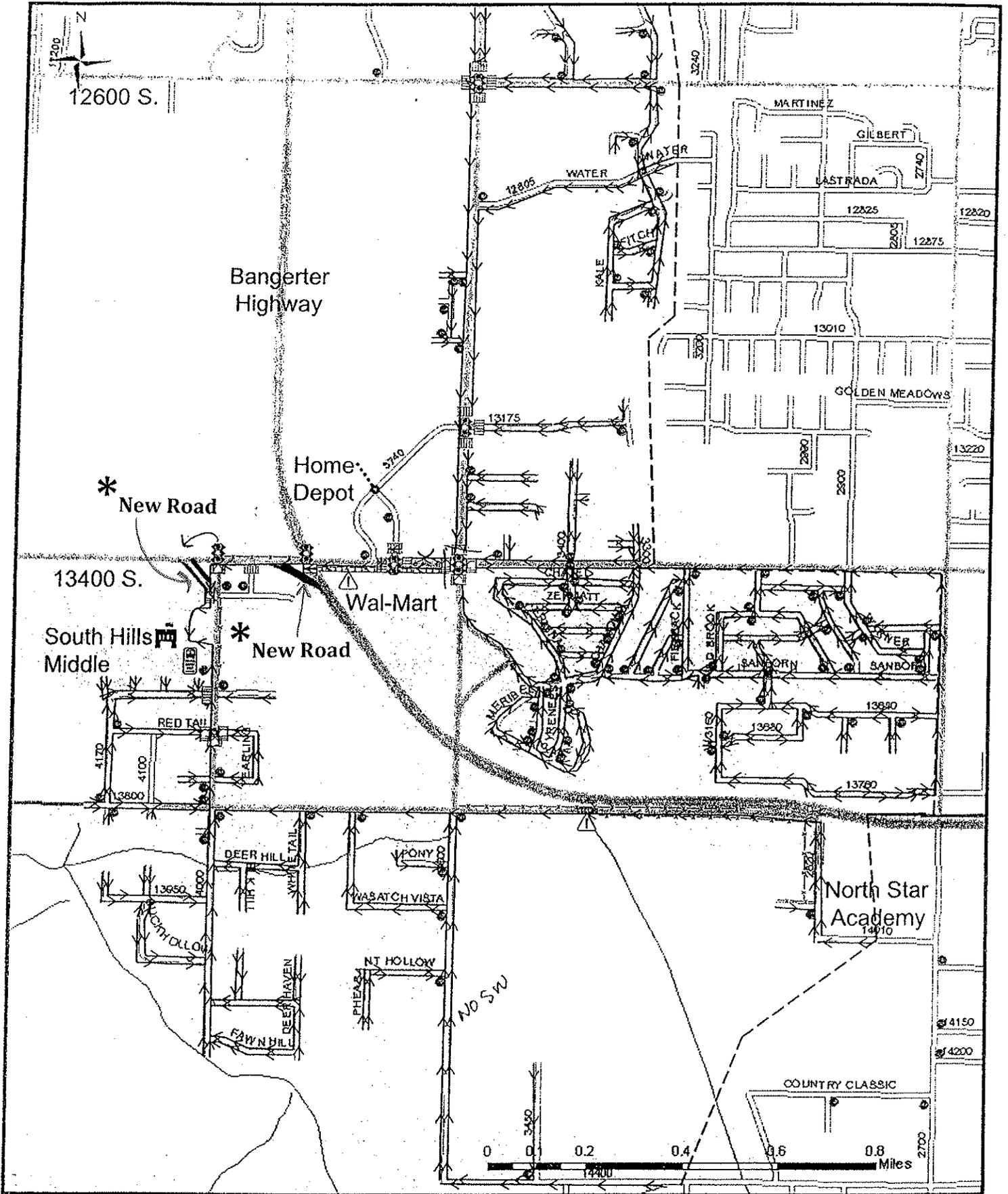
Click on the button that says:

Find your 2012-13 School & Bus Stops

Enter your home address in the space provided and click: “**go**”

To view bus stop times and locations (if eligible) click on the blue “**school code**” link (415)

This web page has the most up-to-date information on transportation and may be accessed throughout the year.



South Hills Middle School

- School Crosswalk Zone
- Preferred Route
- School Boundary
- Hazardous Zone
- Rail Road

- School Bus Loading Zone

- Traffic Signal

- Stop Sign
- Yield Sign

- Pedestrian Crosswalk
- Dangerous Point

- Adult Crossing Guard
- Reduced Speed School Zone
- Narrow School Route
- Abutting School Zone
- Missing/Damaged Sidewalk

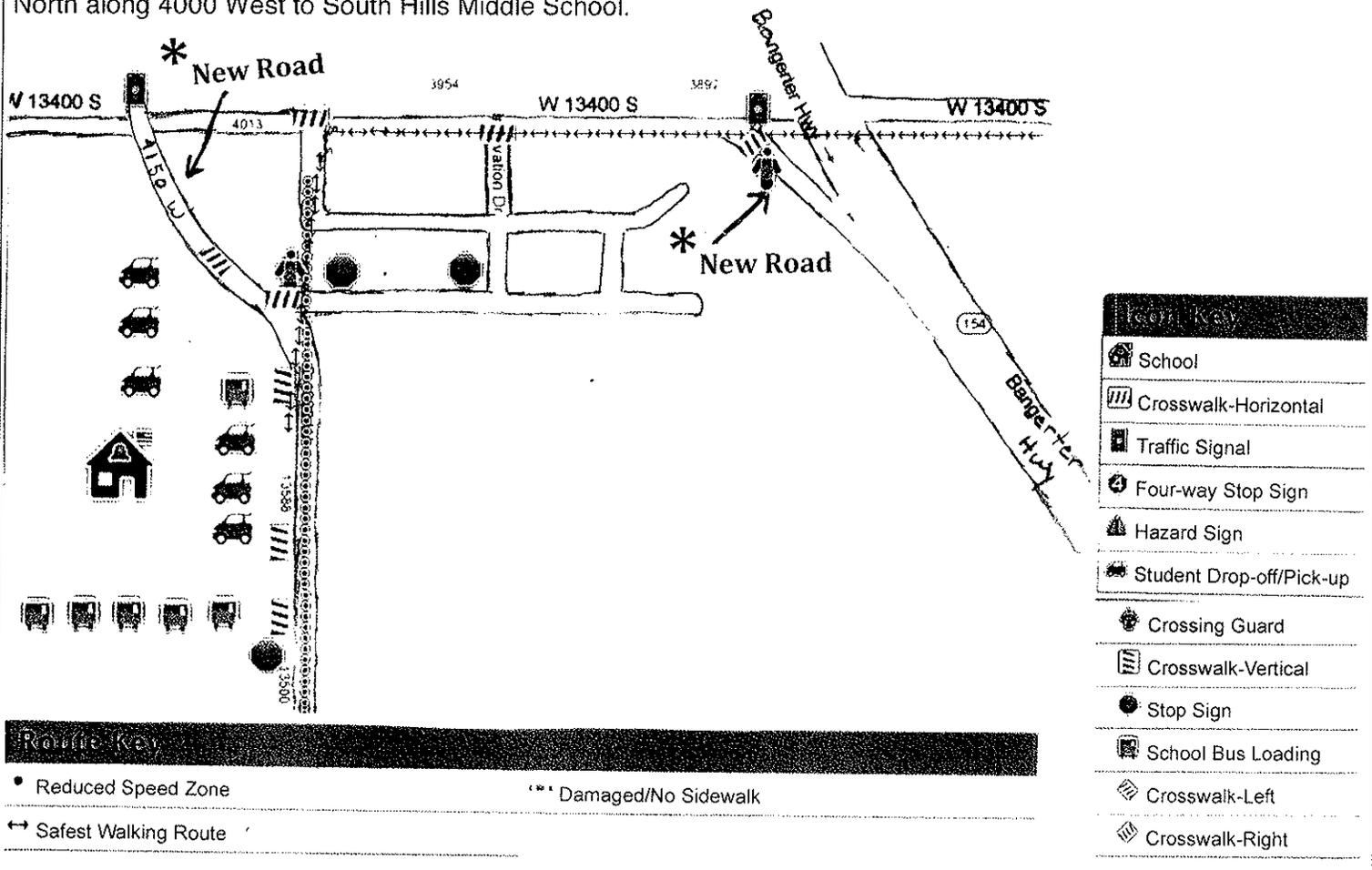
Text Description of Walking Routes

Route for students living on the East side of Bangerter Highway and North of 13400 South: Students proceed from their neighborhood sidewalks to 3600 West. They then may proceed South along either side of 3600 West to 13400 South. Students cross at the intersection of 3600 West and 13400 South to the Southwest corner of the intersection. Students then proceed West along 13400 South to the skywalk over the highway. Once over the skywalk, students will push a button for the new traffic light to allow pedestrian crossing through the new entrance road to southbound Bangerter. There will be a crossing guard to assist students in crossing this new road. Students continue West along 13400 South to the intersection of 13400 South and 4000 West. The traffic signal will no longer be at this intersection. Students should proceed to the South on the east side of 4000 West until they reach the new crosswalk at Innovation Drive. They will cross to the west on 4000 West at the new crosswalk toward South Hills Middle School. There will be a crossing guard at this intersection.

Route for Students living on the East side of Bangerter Highway and South of 13400 South: Students should proceed on their neighborhood sidewalks Northward to 13400 South. Students then proceed West along 13400 South to the skywalk over the highway. Once over the skywalk, students will push a button for the new traffic light to allow pedestrian crossing through the new entrance road to southbound Bangerter. There will be a crossing guard to assist students in crossing this new road. Students continue West along 13400 South to the intersection of 13400 South and 4000 West. The traffic signal will no longer be at this intersection. Students should proceed to the South on the east side of 4000 West until they reach the new crosswalk at Innovation Drive. They will cross to the west on 4000 West at the new crosswalk toward South Hills Middle School. There will be a crossing guard at this intersection.

Route for students living in the subdivisions West of 4000 West and South of the school: Students should proceed on their neighborhood sidewalks to 4000 West. Students use the crosswalk at the intersection of Red Tail (13675 South) and 4000 West. Once on the West side of the road, students proceed North along 4000 West to South Hills Middle School.

Route for Students living East of 4000 West and South of Bangerter Highway (off 13800 West): Students should proceed North on their neighborhood sidewalks to 13800 South. Students then walk West along the South side of 13800 South to 4000 West. Students proceed North along 4000 West. Students use the crosswalk at the intersection of Red Tail (13675 South) and 4000 West to the west side of 4000 West. Students then proceed North along 4000 West to South Hills Middle School.



South Hills Middle School Cafeteria

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to another great year. Our lunch staff is looking forward to preparing and serving the delicious lunches available to our great student body.

We prepare several different entrée's daily. Orange Chicken, Hot sandwiches, Salad bar, Pizza, Chicken Nuggets, and a Deli Sandwich bar are just a few choices offered. Included with each entrée is a carton of milk, and three side dishes such as fruit or vegetable cup, pudding, or choice of apple or orange juice. Lunch price is: **\$2.00**. Reduced lunch is: **\$.40**. A second lunch is **\$3.00**. Students desiring to purchase lunch for a friend will need to call home for permission.

Students especially like to purchase the A la Carte items. These items include: cookies, brownies, and ice cream. Prices range from \$.50 to \$1.50. *Parents and students should agree on a reasonable amount to spend on lunch each day.*

Breakfast is also available 25 minutes before the first bell each day. Breakfast includes a main entrée and one side for \$1.00, \$.30 for reduced, and free, if qualified. We offer a variety of breakfast foods such as muffins, breakfast burritos, and breakfast sandwiches.

Monies should be turned in to the main office before 10:00 a.m. to be deposited in students account before lunch. Students may also pay cash to the cashier for their lunch.

Students must have cash or money in their account to get a lunch. SHMS guidelines for meal purchases states: "It is the parent's responsibility to ensure that their child(ren) has money in their account(s) or an application on file for free or reduced meals. **Secondary students will not be allowed to charge meals.**"

Student's ID number is also their lunch number. This will be their lunch number all through Middle and High School. Any balance they have at the end of the year will remain in their account unless requested by a parent to be refunded.

Students are encouraged to practice the TIGER TRAITS in the lunch room. Being prepared with lunch money, showing respect for the lunch staff, and taking responsibility for behavior in the lunch room will be appreciated by staff and other students.

If you have any questions or concerns please call and we will be happy to assist you.

Thank you,

SHMS Cafeteria 412-2421

South Hills Middle School Physical Education - PE Uniform

The South Hills Middle School Administration and Physical Education Department are pleased to offer your student apparel designed specifically to be worn in gym class. We highly recommend that students purchase and wear SHMS designed P.E. apparel.

We have found a local company that can offer students a complete set, including shorts and T-shirt, for just \$12.00! The T-shirts are a heavyweight 50/50 cotton/poly blend that will NOT shrink when you wash them. The “dazzle” shorts are made of 100% polyester. Items can be purchased as a set or sold separately, see order form for more information.

Students will be asked to wear either the school designed P.E. apparel or plain NAVY shorts and a LIGHT GRAY T-shirt with their last name printed clearly on the front in 3” letters.

If you would like to purchase any of the SHMS designed P.E. apparel, ***please select “PE Uniform” from the list of optional fees when completing step 9 (School Fees) of your students Online Enrollment.*** Physical Education teachers will distribute items that have been paid for to students the first week of PE.

We appreciate your continued support of South Hills Middle School and its commitment to “higher” middle level education practices!

Thank You,

South Hills Middle School
Physical Education Department

South Hills Middle School Physical Education – Inline Skating

In keeping with our goal to increase lifetime sports and activities for your student, our Physical Education staff will be hosting an in-house inline skating program. The skates will be delivered directly to the school, and due to the soft urethane wheels, the students will be able to skate right on the gym floor. Due to insurance restrictions, we will only be using the skates provided by N-School Skate Programs, Inc.

The skating will run for five days and will occur in the gym during school in your student's regularly scheduled PE class. The fee will be **\$8.00** per student (if the cost is a problem for you, please contact your student's PE teacher). Our teaching objective is for each student to learn basic inline skating skills including: forward and backward skating, cornering, and stopping.

Inline skating is a "Life Time Sport" that enhances balance, coordination, and motor skills as well as providing an excellent cardiovascular workout. ***To participate, please select "Inline Skating" from the list of optional fees when completing step 9 (School Fees) of your students Online Enrollment.*** If you have questions or concerns about this activity you can wait and pay the skating fee when the permission slip is sent home three weeks prior to the skating activity.

Each student will be provided with skates, elbow pads, knee pads, and wrist guards. If desired, any additional safety equipment will need to be provided by the parent/student. This activity is not mandatory, if you do not want your student to participate in this activity, an alternate activity will be provided.

Thank You,

South Hills Middle School
Physical Education Department

South Hills Middle School White Tigers 2012-13 Memory Book

South Hills Middle School's memory book is stuffed with memories to last a lifetime! It is an awesome publication that your student will treasure. All of the class photos and most of the year's events, along with student art, are creatively compiled to capture your student's middle school journey. Don't miss this opportunity to pre-order and SAVE!!



Order Now!!



\$25.00 with your registration

This purchase will include an automatic membership in the SHMS PTSA if purchased before March 1, 2013

Extra memory books will be available on a first come, first served basis at the end of the school year.

WHAT YOUR PTSA MEMBERSHIP MEANS

Parents, students, grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors! When you become a member of the PTSA (South Hills is a Parent, Teacher, Student Association, by choice,) you will belong to an association with more than 100 years of advocating for children's rights, offering resources for parents, and supporting public education.

Our PTSA collects funds to pay for the year's activities through the Memory Book and Membership dues.

The Memory Book is our only fundraiser!

Please support South Hills PTSA purchasing your South Hills memory book today!
You & your student can look forward to...

- Teacher Appreciation
 - No Tardy Reward Parties
 - Book Fair
 - Red Ribbon Week
 - Reality Town
 - Back To School Night
 - Newsletter
 - Field trips
 - Memory Book
 - White Ribbon Week
 - Holiday Drawings (On-task)
 - Reflections
 - Sub 4 Santa/Food Drive reward parties
 - Founders Week-Take Your Family 2 School
 - Valentines Day Chocolate Delivery
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So. Hills PTSA Wants Your Feedback!



Please copy this link into your browser and answer a short 4 question survey to help the SHMS PTSA better understand how we can improve this year and to enter your email if you'd like to be on our "Volunteer" list.



<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/G7R8KPW>

Thank You
So Much!



We would love to have you for our PTSA 2012-13 Board

If you are interested in serving on the PTSA board, please contact our PTSA by emailing us at sohillsptsa@gmail.com.

We have a position to fit every talent!

The following is only a portion of what the SHMS PTSA offers your White Tiger during the school year. We could use your helping hands in any of these areas.

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| Bookfair (Eves during P/T conferences) | Vision Screening (Daytime) |
| Teacher Luncheons & Dinners (during PT conferences) | Memory Book Stomp (Day time) |
| Reality Town -9th grade (Fall 8-12 AM) | Reflections Contest |
| Valentines Chocolate deliv (Feb 1-14 varies) | Lunch monitor (1-2days/month for 2 hours) |
| Memory Book-handing out (June) | Red Ribbon Week (one week in Sep—days) |
| On Task Drawings (last day B4 Christmas Vacation) | Reward Parties |
| White Ribbon Week (Addiction Awareness) | Dating Violence Awareness |

Look for our very own SHMS PTSA website coming soon. You will be able to see "What's Next" on our calendar, read the newsletter, view past events & see what your student is up to. Plus, you can email us with questions, comments, or kudos. There will be a link on the school website as soon as it is up and running. We want you to be "In The Know!"

