

ALTA Newsletter December 2018

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A Message from Mr. Levin

On behalf of the Alta staff, we hope you all have a happy and safe holiday with your families and friends.

Holiday Recess

December 24th through January 1st
Classes resume on Wednesday, January 2nd.
December 21st is an early dismissal day –
11:50 a.m.

January 2019							Calendarpedia Your source for calendars
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
30	31	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30	31	1	2	

Quarter 2 ends January 25th. Midterm exams will be given Jan. 23rd and 24th.

New Alta Students



Jake Jones
Anya Crooks
Haley Scoville
Taryn Rinaldi
Katie Barrows
Alyssa Bartowiecz
Rosie Fusco
Maddy Bradley
Shea Horak

MONTHLY RECOGNITIONS

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

SEPTEMBER

Ashley King	Math
John Gowlis	Social Studies
Edell Bevans	Science
Bri Camacho &	Elks Lodge
Dan Taurinski	

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Carissa Cayer and Max Dibble

OCTOBER

Sabrina Dibble	English
Jake Jones	Social Studies
Bri Camacho	Science
Sabrina Dibble &	Elks Lodge
Jake Jones	

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Carissa Cayer and Max Dibble

NOVEMBER

Kelly Collin	English
Dan Taurinski	Math
Anya Crooks	Social Studies
Saige Landrie	Science
Anya Crooks &	Elks Lodge
Max Dibble	

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Carissa Cayer, Max Dibble and Saige Landrie

ATTENTION ALTA CLASS OF 2019 STUDENTS

If you are interested in learning about college life first hand, plan on attending "College Basics 101." Selected students from the SHS Class of 2018 will be coming back to SHS to talk about their college experiences with regard to living on campus, commuting, academics, time management, roommate issues, and much more!

When: Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Time: Periods 2 & 3 in the SHS Auditorium

Please sign up with Mr. Hill (including returned permission slips) by Friday, Jan. 4th.

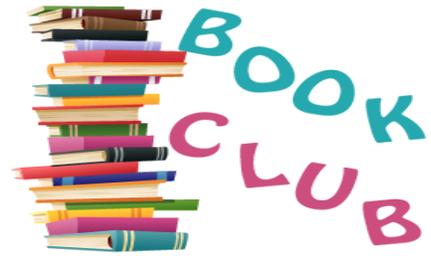
Financial Aid Resources

Financial Aid Forms:

1. FAFSA: www.fafsa.ed.gov (Everyone should complete this form)
2. CSS Profile: <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org>

Financial Aid Websites:

- www.cslf.org
- www.collegeboard.com/pay
- www.collegesavings.org
- www.finaid.org
- www.mapping-your-future.org
- www.nasfaa.org
- www.ed.gov/studentaid
- www.ifap.ed.gov
- www.collegeispossible.org
- www.ed.gov
- www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak



The weekly book club read to dozens of students from the Margaret Griffin Child Development Center at Alta during our Halloween celebration. Each group sang a song to the other and goodie bags were distributed at the end of the visit.



Anya Crooks reads to the children while Jake Jacobs awaits his turn.

To view more photos of Alta events, visit our school page at www.southingtonschools.org.

QUARTER 1 HONOR ROLL

FIRST HONORS

Carissa Cayer
Saige Landrie

SECOND HONORS

Max Dibble
Jake Jones
Ryley Kostenko



Midterm Exams

(2 hour delay)

Wednesday, January 23	
Period 1 or 2 academic class	7:50 – 9:05 <i>(9:50 – 11:05)</i>
Break	9:05 – 9:20 <i>(11:05 – 11:20)</i>
Period 3	9:20 – 10:35 <i>(11:20 – 12:35)</i>
Lunch	10:40 – 11:00 <i>(12:40 – 1:00)</i>
Thursday, January 24	
Period 4	7:50 – 9:05 <i>(9:50 – 11:05)</i>
Break	9:05 – 9:20 <i>(11:05 – 11:20)</i>
Period 5	9:20 – 10:35 <i>(11:20 – 12:35)</i>
Lunch	10:40 – 11:00 <i>(12:40 – 1:00)</i>
Friday, January 25	
Makeup exams – regular day	

Thanks to all who attended our Annual Alta Family Thanksgiving Luncheon on Nov. 20th and donated food items for Southington Community Services. Special thanks goes to Plantsville Congregational Church and Pastor Paul Goodman and staff for allowing us to use their kitchen and parish hall, as well as the parents/grandparents/PTO members who donated raffle items, cooked turkeys and volunteered in the kitchen, especially Mr. and Mrs. Kristopik, Mr. Dibble, Mrs. Crooks, Mrs. Morelli, Mrs. Plawecki, Mrs. Boissonneault, Missy Cipriano and Christina Simms. Thanks also to Katie Valente from New Britain Transportation for donating the bus used to transport the students. Special thanks to MC Marina Oulundsen, Edell Bevans who led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Bri Camacho, Kelly Collin and Abby Roche who spoke during the event.



The school nurse will ask parents/legal guardians to pick up a student who becomes ill during school hours or who has an illness or injury that, in the professional judgment of the school nurse, needs to be observed at home or assessed by a medical doctor.

Examples may include, but are not limited to:

- Elevated temperature of 100 degrees F. and above
- Seizure, head injury, severe headache, blurred vision or dizziness
- Severe asthmatic episode or respiratory difficulty
- Chest pain or pressure
- Generalized allergic reaction
- Weeping or unusual rash
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Communicable illness
- Injury requiring sutures
- Fracture
- Soft tissue injury
- Dental injury

9-1-1 will be called in an emergency for immediate transportation to the hospital.

Staying Home From School

To safeguard the health of all students, we ask parents/legal guardians to monitor their children for possible communicable diseases.

Students should stay home from school if they:

- Have an elevated temperature of 100 degrees F. and above
- Have an undiagnosed rash
- Have recurrent vomiting in the past 24 hours
- Have more than one episode of diarrhea
- Have large amounts of yellow/green mucus discharge from nose
- Have a severe sore throat (possible strep throat)
- Have conjunctivitis (pink eye) with discharge
- Have an active infestation of head lice
- Have a communicable illness

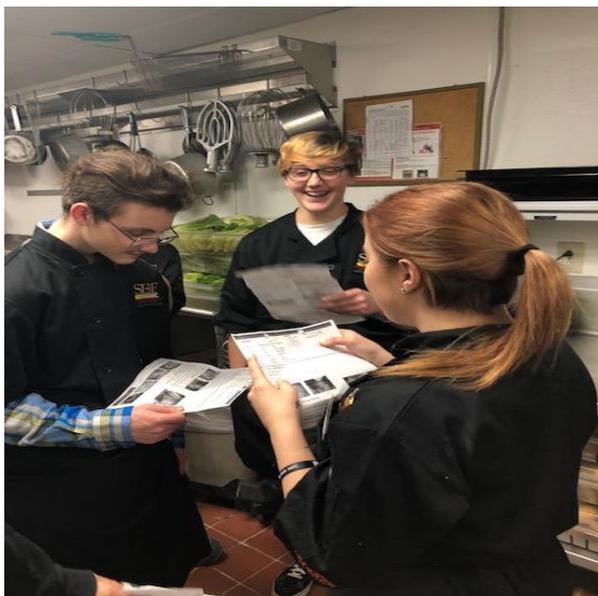
Students should remain home:

- For at least 24 hours after an elevated temperature returns to normal without anti-inflammatory medication
- For at least 24 hours after their first dose of antibiotic medication
- For severe earache, with or without fever
- For at least 24 hours after recurrent vomiting/diarrhea has ended
- Until treatment for conjunctivitis is initiated
- Until they are adequately treated for head lice, scabies, or other infestation/communicable disease, and assessed by the school nurse
- Until chickenpox/shingles vesicles or any rash with drainage has dried and completely scabbed over

CULINARY FOUNDATIONS GRANT

Thanks to a grant from SEF awarded to Alta and Bread for Life, five Alta students were selected to participate in an intensive six week culinary program. They took classes in the Bread for Life kitchen twice a week and learned basic food preparation, knife skills, food safety, portion control and other skills needed to work in a restaurant kitchen. Outback Steakhouse was also involved, and we would like to thank Chef/Managing Partner, Ryan Lucas, for his support, instruction and contributions.

The students cooked a meal and served it to the clients of Bread For Life and prepared the coconut shrimp appetizer that was served to Outback clientele as culminating activities. This partnership was highlighted in several local publications and will be repeated in the spring.



STARS



Carissa Cayer
Abby Roche
Edell Bevans
Max Dibble

STARS students recently visited Camp Sloper for team building activities with students from other alternative programs throughout the state.