# June 2018

# The Southern Way



#### Congratulations, Warriors! Dr. Sandra Lemmon

This has been another outstanding school year for the Southern York County School District. We couldn't be more proud of our students and all of their accomplishments! Your partnership is invaluable in helping our students reach their highest potential, and we thank you for your ongoing involvement and support throughout the year. Our collaborative efforts are what make our District so very special.

This year, our teachers, administrators, and Board Directors read the book 'The Innovator's Mindset' by George Couros. The author reminds us that if students leave school less curious than when they began, we have failed them as educators. He also believes, as we do, that in order to succeed, students need to think for themselves and adapt to constantly changing situations, just as our world changes today.

Our focus this year was not solely to teach memorization, but to spark curiosity that empowers our students to wonder, explore, and ask questions which lead to deeper learning. This deeper learning empowers students to learn 21st century skills such as collaboration, critical thinking, communication skills, and creativity to develop a lifelong love of learning. These skills are immeasurable and encourage students to take risks, find their strengths, and reach their greatest potential to be career or college-prepared after graduating from high school. When we accomplish this goal, we have achieved success.

It is with heartfelt congratulations that we extend the best of luck to the Class of 2018! We know they will continue to make us Warrior Proud!

Thank you again for entrusting us with your amazing children. I wish you a safe, enjoyable, and happy summer!

# Southern York County School District Names Top Students

#### Valedictorian Erik Younkin

Southern York County School District has named Erik Younkin Valedictorian of the Class of 2018. He is the son of Kerri and Andrew Younkin. Younkin's grade point average of 4.7961 earned him the honor of being the highest ranked student in his class.



During high school, Younkin was a member of the cross country, wrestling, and track teams. He was a National Honor Society member and involved with Warrior Council. Younkin won the American Legion School Award and was a National Merit Scholarship recipient. He also served as a physics and math tutor for Susquehannock students, which was his most rewarding experience while at Susquehannock.

#### Salutatorian Adam Rebich

Southern York County School District has named Adam Rebich Salutatorian of the Class of 2018. Rebich's grade point average of 4.7575 earned him this honor. His parents are Daniel and Laurie Rebich.



During his years at Susquehannock, Rebich was involved with Link Crew, National Honor Society (President), and Warrior Council. He was a member of the soccer and lacrosse teams and was named GameTime PA All-Star and second team All-County in lacrosse and second team All-County in soccer. He was the recipient of a YAIAA Academic All-League Award and the United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award.

While at Susquehannock, Rebich won departmental awards in mathematics, English, physical education,



Susquehannock Class of 2018 Officers: from left, Erin Kaliszak, Michaela Elsen, Emma Stiffler, and Michael Torbert.

#### **Class of 2018**

Michaela Elsen	President
Emma Stiffler	Vice President
Erin Kaliszak	Secretary
Michael Torbert	Treasurer
Elizabeth Surguy	Class Advisor
Sunflower	Class Flower
Blue	Class Color
"Closing Time"	Class Song
"Only those who	will risk going too far
can possibly find o	out how far one can go."
	Class Motto

#### Senior Photos: Class of 2019

Lifetouch Photography has scheduled three days for senior photos. Pictures will be taken on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, July 10, 11, and 12, 2018, in the Susquehannock High School Richard R. Hupper Auditorium from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Students will receive information about their scheduled time on a postcard in the mail. If a student can attend the appointment, no action is needed. However, if these days are not convenient, students should call the studio in York at (717) 845-1578 immediately to schedule a photo session at a more suitable time.

Remember that students who want their photos to be included in the senior section of the yearbook are required to have their photos taken by Lifetouch, and they must be taken by mid-October to meet the publishing deadline. Men must wear a dress shirt and tie. Women must have their shoulders covered with a nice dress, blouse, or sweater unless they opt for the traditional drape. If an appropriate pose is not selected for the yearbook, one will be chosen by the advisor.

Please email Ms. Jessica Beste at jessica. beste@sycsd.org if there are questions or for more information.

#### SYCSD Calendar

June 5Early Dismissal, Last Day of School K-11
June 21School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
July 4Independence Day, Offices Closed
August 16School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
August 22 1st Day of School for Students in Kindergarten - 9th Grade
August 23 1st Day of School for Students in Grades 10th - 12th

For a full calendar of dates, please visit the District website at www.sycsd.org.

## **Student Forms**

This year, the summer mailing will include bus assignments, teacher assignments, and emergency paperwork. Students and parents should expect to receive this mailing on or around August 10, 2018. As in the past, a separate mailing will be done which will include the Free and Reduced Meal information.

The District encourages parents to take a few minutes before school begins to complete the required forms and return them with their children the first day of school. High school and middle school student schedules will be mailed by the end of July. Other student forms will be distributed on the first day of school to all students.

A printed school calendar will be distributed the first day of school. The 2018-19 calendar will also be available on the home page ('District Calendar') of the District's website and includes ongoing up-to-date Districtwide information. Please note that since the printed calendar is static, daily updates are available on the website calendar. In addition, other student forms will also be available on the website prior to the first day of school (www.sycsd.org). Look under the Quick Links: 'Student Forms & Information.'

Planning a vacation? If you are, and you need to know the school holidays and test dates, visit the District's website. This calendar lists the starting and ending dates for the 2018-19 school year as well as holidays and early dismissal days.

#### BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Robert Schefter	President
James Holley	Vice President
	Treasurer
Susan Green	Secretary
	(Non-Member)
	Member
Jerri Groncki	Member
	Member
Karen Hellwig	Member
Deborah Kalina	Member
Allie Waldron	Member
Erin Kaliszak	Student Representative

#### ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Sandra L. Lemmon	Superintendent
Dr. Robert J. Bryson	Asst. Superintendent
Susan Green	Chief Financial &
	Operations Officer

#### BOARD MEETINGS

The Southern York County School District Board of Education holds meetings on the third Thursday of January through November, and the first Thursday of December, unless otherwise noted. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room of the District Administration building. Meetings are also televised live via Comcast's Cable TV Channel 99.

#### CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

(717) 235-4811	
Friendship Elementary	Ext. 1901
Shrewsbury Elementary	Ext. 5901
Southern Elementary	Ext. 2901
Southern Middle School	Ext. 3901
Susquehannock High School	Ext. 4901
Susquehannock Guidance	Ext. 4902
Transportation	Ext. 7350
Business Office	Ext. 7278

#### \* \* \* MISSION STATEMENT

The Southern York County School District, through a cooperative effort with the family and community, will provide a quality learning environment that promotes character, fosters responsibility, and challenges students to achieve their potential.

Adopted by Board of Education - 6/21/01

The Southern York County School District is an equal opportunity educational institution and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or disability in any of its activities, programs, employment policies or practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, or Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the American Disabilities Act of 1990. Employees and participants who have an inquiry or complaint of harassment or discrimination, or who need information about accommodations for persons with disabilities, should contact the office of the Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Southern York County School District, P.O. Box 128, Glen Rock, PA 17327-0128 or call (717) 235-4811.

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WEBSITE www.sycsd.org

## **Class of 2018 Graduates**

The following Susquehannock High School seniors have been tentatively recommended for graduation, pending satisfactory completion of all requirements for graduation and the recommendation of the High School Principal.

Kendel D. Abrams Chiamaka Amadi Seth J. Bailey Aleah Ball Grant Barnhart Justin M. Barrow Keith Baum Elizabeth Beall Adam M. Beamesderfer Samantha L. Bechtel Jacob Bedgar Niles Bennett Allison Blackwell Josh C. Bobbitt Alexander Bongardt Chase Bonitz Tanner Bonitz Brittany N. Boone Amber Bortner Gabrielle Brady Lance J.F. Brady Trey A. Breeding Michaela Bryan Madison D. Bucalo Zachary Buchanan **Owen J. Buckley** Holly R. Bull G M. Bundy Kate Burgess Dylan Burke Tyler AJ Caldwell Synye Carter Anna Castro Sylvia E. Cathell Derek G. Charleton Dakota Coleman Chris Coulson Kari Cox Jacob Cropper Tyler James Crumbling Lucy Curran Carter Curry Conor Steven Custer Erica D'Amore Neo B. Dallmeyer Hunter Davis Emma Day Jason Delozier, Jr. Emma DeLuca Maria E. Diaz Flores Connor Dills Michaela Elsen Sasha Ann Epps Joshua Fair Kaleb M. Fair Justin Feild Andrew Stephen Ferg

Hunter Fix Brett Flemmens Ciani Monae Flovd Jalen Fowler Andrew L. Foxwell Eric D. Fueston Alyssa C. Fuller Alyssa Garrett Angelina Gilbert Madison Lyne Gillespie Caless N. Gover Lauren Green Danielle Griffin **Ashley** Grimes Ashlyn Grove Annabelle Hall Levi S. Hall Lauren E. Hallameyer Jazmyn Cristine Hammonds Mariane B. Harden Kaleb Hash Jacob S. Hebel Kathleen M. Heiser Timothy D. Henry Amber Hildebrand Brent N. Hofler Molly Grace Hogan Wyatt J. Hogan Jackson T. Holloway Hunter E. Holtzapple Sydney Hudgins Nate Hunsinger Jacob Jachimski Mary Jackson Reese D. Jackson Megan Jacobs Allana Jones Matthew P. Kaiser Erin Kaliszak Tristan C. Kall Aditya Kandala John Katchko **Ginger Kemper** Colin C. Kernan Stevie C. King Connor R. Kish Paige A. Kish Hannah Kitchell Philip Klopcic Ruth Klopcic Austin W. Knight Alec J. Kramer Anthony L. Krol Eleanor Lindauer **Emily Loehmer** Cassandra Lonas Landen R. Lopez

Jacob D. Lynch James Lynch Anna L. Mahan Jacob S. Mahan Rebecca A. Martin Garrett Scott Mathena Julia McKenzie Jordan L. McMillion Chris Merrill **Timothy Mettee** Sarah Minacci Caitlyn M. Minor Brady Mock Lauren Moncada Benjamin J. Moran Johnny Moroz Kee Moss Hannah L. Mummert Harley M. Mummert Hannah Munch Jackson A. Murphy Hailey M. Myers **Christopher Norris** Samuel J. Odegaard Kyle T. Orndorff Corrie Orner **Dalton** Palmer Chase Parker Mara Faith Patterson Samantha Patterson Brendan D. Paules Abigail Phillips Kelly Porter Kelsey Lee Price **Elinor** Pugliese Stephen B. Quackenbush Joshua Rager Sandra A. Ramirez Jade E. Reall Adam Rebich Courtney L. Reever Colton William Rehmeyer **Terry Tyler Rodgers Riley** Roeder Daniel Rohrbaugh Matthew E. Rohrbaugh Joey Romjue Hayley M. Rose Justin M. Rosenberger Nathan W. Rositzky Evan T. Rosser Victoria L. Ruby Amaya Rutzel Diana Sanchez Ethan Schammel Matthew John Schiffbauer Montana Schofield

Emily C. Schuler Tucker Senft Hunter Sentz Miranda Shaffer Virginia Shelley Lucas A. Sherman Parke Simms Benjamin Simon Danielle J. Simpson Isabella Simpson Maggie Sisler Connor Timothy Skevington Parker Sloan Joshua Smiley Alexander J. Smith Illvanna Smith Sydney Smith Charlotte Snyder Savannah Spicer Hannah Stambaugh Nick Standiford Emma Steinauer Chloe A. Steiner Taylor R. Stanley Emma Stiffler Madison Stone Dylan Tabak Kevin Lee Tanner **Taylor** Tannura Alexander Thomas Michael Torbert Daniel S. Tourville Benjamin A. Trego Stella Trovato Ethan Tucker Julia Twaddle Brandon M. Valway Matthew Wagner Lacey Walker Hallie Ward Jason T. Weger Maya Weigard Kyle V. Weissner Andrew John Werdin Colton Williams Jacob P. Williams Marlana Williams Brendan G. Wilson Brendan M. Wilson Nathaniel Rvan Witmer Jason Witt Logan Wojcik Kasey M. Wolfe Sarayia R. Woody Francesca Wright Cara Yohn Erik Younkin

# **Student Transportation Information for 2018-19**

Our staff is working with First Student to develop the student transportation system for the 2018-19 school year.

#### **Elementary Students (Kindergarten to Grade 6)**

Each student has a bus stop assignment that is designated to an attendance zone at Friendship Elementary School, Southern Elementary School, or Shrewsbury Elementary School. Each student must attend the elementary school located in the attendance zone assigned to his/her home address. Unless we are notified otherwise, your child will retain his/her current bus stop assignment.

#### Secondary Students (Grades 7 to 12)

Unless we are notified otherwise, all secondary students will retain their current bus stop assignment. Incoming seventh grade students will automatically be assigned to the nearest existing secondary bus stop.

#### Requests to change to another existing bus stop

If you need to change the location of your child's bus stop, please notify the Student Transportation Office prior to June 29, 2018. Please note that bus stop changes for the first week of school cannot be made after August 10, 2018.

#### **Requests for a new bus stop**

Requests for new bus stops must be submitted in writing to the Student Transportation Office prior to Friday, June 29, 2018.

#### **Audio and Video Policy**

First Student aids the Southern York County School District in maintaining the safety of its students by obtaining video and audio recordings of all behavior on its buses. As a result, students and their parents/guardians are informed that they should not expect any conversations or behavior to be exempt from this recordation.

#### **All Students**

Letters notifying all students of their bus assignments will be mailed on or about August 10, 2018. We are committed to providing all students with a safe and enjoyable ride to and from school. Please contact the Student Transportation Office with questions:

> Mark Rill Coordinator of Student Transportation Southern York County School District P.O. Box 128 Glen Rock, PA 17327-0128 717-235-4811, extension 7350 mark.rill@sycsd.org

# **SRPD Announcement**

The Southern Regional Police Department would like to extend the graduating Class of 2018 best wishes.

We would like to remind the students that we have a zero tolerance to any under-age drinking. Be sure to make smart decisions to ensure a safe and enjoyable summer vacation.

#### "Top Students," continued from Page 1

#### Erik Younkin, Valedictorian

Outside of the classroom, Younkin has been involved with Creative Arts Ministry, Youth Group, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) Youth Gathering in Detroit, Michigan.

His advice to Susquehannock students is to "Take a little bit of time each day to do what YOU want to do. Having a little free time brightens my day, no matter how much work I have. I personally dedicate an hour before school for relaxation and enjoyment," said Younkin.

Younkin will attend the United States Naval Academy and serve as an officer in the United States Navy following graduation. He plans to major in aerospace engineering.

#### Adam Rebich, Salutatorian

Spanish, and Social Studies. He also received a PHEAA Certificate of Merit. His community involvement includes volunteering for various local organizations.

"The most rewarding experiences at Susquehannock were playing two sports and my independent study senior year," said Rebich. "The teams developed life-long relationships and provided an environment for personal growth as a player and a person," he said.

"My advice for underclassmen is three-fold: keep an open mind, work hard, and treat students with respect when it's your turn to be an upperclassman. Keeping an open mind is often difficult as human nature tends to fear the unknown, but I challenge you all to step out of your comfort zone and try new things because you might find something you are passionate about this way," said Rebich.

Rebich plans to attend New Jersey Institute of Technology to study biomedical engineering.



As a cost/energy saving measure, the District will again be implementing a four-day work week for the summer. From June 4 through August 3, 2018, all Southern York County District offices will be open Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. As of August 6, 2018, all offices will be open, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until the start of the 2018-19 school year. When school is in session, office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

# Anne Druck Addressed 2018 Graduates at Commencement



The Susquehannock High School Alumni Association Steering Committee named Anne (Miller) Druck as Anne Druck United Way its "Distinguished Alumni" for 2018. Druck addressed the graduating class at commencement services and will be honored with a plaque in the High School's auditorium lobby.

Druck encouraged the graduates to appreciate

their own individual strengths and interests. "Each and every one of you is a gift to the world," said Druck. "The best way to build your worth ethic is to realize and appreciate your strengths. Your gifts, your strengths, will shine when they are shared," she said.

She points to many of her Susquehannock teachers and experiences as contributing to her success. "The leadership and life skills offered in the extracurricular program were very important to me," she said. And she remembered the lessons of her English teacher Susan Schultz and other members of the department as particularly important in her current profession, one that requires expert communication skills.

As a Warrior, Anne was a member of Student Council for four years and lettered in basketball, track and field, and field hockey. She was a tri-captain of the field hockey squad, competed in districts, and was a county all-star.

After graduation, she attended Shippensburg University where she continued her field hockey career. Anne majored in speech communications and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in 1987.

"Presenting a positive image of York County with the primary purpose of making an impact on its economy," is how Anne (Miller) Druck – a proud member of the Class of 1983 – summarized her employer's mission statement. As President of the York County Convention and Visitors Bureau, it's her mission to make that happen. Her first job was in copier sales with Pitney Bowes in Harrisburg, a position she held for two years before taking a sales representative position with Adhesives Research in Glen Rock. At first the extensive travel in the new job was exciting, but being away from home for weeks at a time began to wear on her and she looked for something closer to home.

Seeing an advertisement for the executive director position at Main Street York, she applied because "it looked challenging." She discovered that it was and also that she was very good at it. When the top position at the York County Convention and Visitors Bureau opened in 1993 she was offered the job. She accepted and has worked there ever since.

Under her leadership, the Bureau has enjoyed great success and is generally thought of as being among the best such organizations in Pennsylvania.

"When I started there, we really didn't have a brand for York County," she recalls. "We developed Factory Tour Capital of the World." The program has worked very well for the county and now boasts 25 different tour locations.

She served on the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus (where she was President for two years) and is now on the boards of York Rotary, The Partnership for Economic Development of York County, and the Southern York County School District Foundation. She is a former member of the 4th Congressional District Internship Board.

In 2016, Anne served as Campaign Chair for the United Way of York County and currently serves on the Campaign Cabinet. Recently, Anne was named as the new executive director

and chief operating officer of the United Way of York County. She will begin that new endeavor in July 2018.

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Right: Anne (Miller) Druck '83 was named Distinguished Alumni for 2018.

# Act One Update for 2018-19

The state-funded tax relief available for Southern York County School District is \$1,062,831. This money will be distributed to all approved homestead and farmstead properties through a tax assessment exclusion on the July 1, 2018 real estate tax bills. The amount of the reduction has declined from 2008-09 when it was \$185.02, to the calculated rate of \$178.29 for 2018-19.

The July 1, 2018 real estate tax bills will show a separate line item for this reduction for properties approved as a homestead or farmstead. This money is a reduction in the tax bill, not paid as a rebate check. Please contact the District (717-235-4811, ext. 7300) with any questions.

## **District Honors Susquehannock Student Athletes**

The following 22 Susquehannock High School student-athletes were selected for the District III E. Jerry Brooks Academic All Star Award. To qualify for this award, students must have a minimum weighted 3.8 grade point average at the end of the first semester, possess good citizenship and sportsmanship, compete in a minimum of two different sports during their senior year, and earn at least three varsity letters.

Frik Vounkin	Cross Country/Wrestling/Track
	Soccer/Lacrosse
Sarah Minacci	Field Hockey/Boys Soccer Manager
	Football/Basketball/Baseball
Machala Bryan	Cheerleading/Track
Kelly Porter	
	Soccer/Lacrosse
Justin Feild	
Ginger Kemper	
Madison Stone	Soccer/Basketball
Dylan Burke	Soccer/Track
Molly Hogan	
Sydney Smith	
Jacob Williams	Girls Volleyball Manager/Basketball/Boys Volleyball
Kate Burgess	
Hunter Sentz	Football/Basketball/Baseball
Emma Stiffler	
Corrie Orner	
Ashley Grimes	Basketball Manager/Lacrosse
Matthew Schiffbauer	Boys Soccer Manager/Lacrosse Manager

# Summer Sports Physicals

Summer physicals for fall sports will take place on June 18 and July 26, 2018, at the Susquehannock High School main gymnasium, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Each studentathlete needs to complete a PIAA Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation physical form, which may be downloaded from the School District's website in the Athletics section, under Physical Information. Further information may be found in the Athletics section of the website.

# **Athletic Ticket Prices**

# Ticket prices for the 2018-19 Susquehannock High School Athletic Events:

	<b>Varsity Events</b> 
Students	
Senior Citize	ns (62+)\$1
Adults	for High Events
Students	\$2
Senior Citizen	