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Sherman Central School District Newsletter



The Little Team With A Big Heart

Our 2021-22 varsity girls basketball season was a ride of a lifetime. Although we fell one win short of our ultimate goal, this team can hold their heads high knowing they battled against the stiffest competition to compete in the New York State Championship game. We were back to back Section VI Champions, Far West Regional Champions, and New York State Finalists.

Our 15-9 record was more impressive than it may initially appear. Eight of our nine losses were to state-ranked teams. The rigor of our schedule undoubtedly prepared our squad for the demands we faced to make a state run.

Hayden Fisher and Jenna Fisher earned spots on the State All-Tournament Team. Locally, Jenna Fisher and Paige Gratto were appointed to our league's First Team, and Hayden Fisher Second Team. Kaitlyn Lindsey earned a league Honorable Mention. Jenna and Paige were also named to the Post Journal All-Star Third Team.

More impressive than their awards is this team's commitment to each other. One would be hard-pressed to find a group of young women more compassionate, selfless, hardworking, and dedicated. They set lofty goals and were willing to put in the work to achieve them. The way they supported and complemented each other on and off the court was a thing of beauty. Thankfully, their fingerprints will be on many Sherman teams for years to come.

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Superintendent's Message

Dear Sherman Central School District,

It is my pleasure to join the district and officially introduce myself to the greater community. I consider it a true privilege to have been appointed as your new Superintendent of Schools at the March 21st Board of Education meeting. I thank you in advance for this challenge - in return, you have my promise that I'll use my experience with students, parents, and teachers to live up to your expectations!

The Sherman Central School District has earned a reputation for academic excellence, and the opportunities offered beyond the classroom setting are exemplary, as they provide enriching learning experiences for students at all levels. I wholeheartedly value the programs and services in place, and I am committed to building upon past practices to ensure that current and future students have opportunities to explore their interests and find their true passions.



In addition to the robust educational program, it was the level of community involvement that drew me to this district. I witnessed this sense of pride as I underwent the interview process and have experienced the welcoming and huge heart of a "Small School with a BIG Impact" that Sherman is known for. I look forward to meeting with faculty members, parents, students and residents in the next few months. Please know that it is my intent to foster and cultivate this practice to ensure the continued success of our students, schools and community.

While serving as your Superintendent of Schools, I plan to be accessible to all stakeholders and maintain an open door communication policy. I encourage and welcome any questions, comments or concerns you have about our schools and can be reached directly at 716-761-6121.

It is an exciting time for the Sherman Central School District, and I'm looking forward to the years ahead! Please accept my best wishes for a happy and healthy spring.

Carrie Yohe Superintendent



Principal's Message

We have (hopefully) made it through the cold, sleet and snow of the Western New York winter here in Sherman! With the spring season in education, comes the fun and excitement of spring sports, year end celebrations, field trips and so much more! With the warmer temperatures and increased sunlight the halls of SCS have been abuzz with activity along with the feeling of returning to "normal."

The spring norms of sporting events, including a true postseason and state championships, field trips, open house, in-person awards ceremonies and celebrations. In the spirit of returning to the pre-Covid norms, I want to welcome our parents and families back to events here at SCS. I look forward to meeting those of you who I haven't had the pleasure of meeting and seeing familiar faces as we celebrate the end of the 2021-22 school year. Happy Spring!

Sincerely, Ann M. Morrison - Principal



Ann M. Morrison

Assistant Principal's Message

The winter sport seasons and the 3rd quarter marking period have come to an end. Our school has had so many great times this quarter. Our Lady Wildcats basketball team finished 2nd in the State. Our boys basketball team finished the season in the play-offs with some great wins under their belts as well. It was a great opportunity for our school to come together to cheer both teams on. Go Wildcats! It should be noted that our Lady Wildcats will only graduate 2 seniors, so next year should be just as exciting! Good luck to our seniors Jenna Fisher and Kaitlyn Lindsey! With this third quarter ending we have many students who were able to meet their academic goals for the quarter while they prepare for the June Regents that will be happening this year!



Mrs. Nicole Marino

Moving into spring is an exciting time for all of us. With the nice weather quickly approaching students will be eager to finish their studies during the day so they can move to the spring sport schedule. The track team is boasting a record number of participants. Make sure to get out and support your runners, throwers, and jumpers participating in Track and Field. The girls softball team, combined with Clymer this year, will surely have some exciting games and will hopefully be in the play-offs once again! The boys baseball team has started with a couple of wins and look to continue this streak. They have the play-offs as their end of season goals as well! Good luck to all athletes!

The music department is happy to announce that the spring band concert is set for May 19th. The spring choir concert is May 17, 2022. They would also like to make sure that all are aware that this spring will be the return of the Annual Talent show which is going to take place sometime in June.

The trap team has 18 members this year! Their season will start with their first shoot being on April 19. The students shoot 5 rounds with a perfect score being 25. There will be 6 meets this year with awards going to top male and females scores for the season. There will be awards also for top scores in the league which include participating schools from Chautauqua and Cattaraugus counties and some from Pennsylvania.

Go Wildcats! Mrs. Nicole Marino **Assistant Principal**



Kindergarten

The kindergarten class has been busy all year learning to read 60 sight words. Now that most of the words have been mastered, the students are enjoying reading those sight words within books. They have also completed a collection of poems which highlight a different sight word. Partner reading with a buddy is one of our favorite activities.





First Grade





First grade has had a busy start to spring. We celebrated Dr. Seuss's birtday and the author's love of rhymes. The students are excited that they can now read these books independently!

The students just completed a geometry unit learning about two-dimensional and three-dimensional shapes. We had a special snack that featured cubes, cylinders, cones, and spheres. It was fun to learn and crunch at the same time. We also practiced dividing shapes into halves and quarters. Now the students are excited to practice telling time to the hour and half-hour. Time flies by when we are having fun!





Second Grade

Wow, have these past few months flown by! Crazy to think we are in April already! Second grade has been filled with memories, fun, and many new learning opportunities thus far! For our ARC Reading Unit/Social Studies, we have been learning about our community and the jobs within it! We all know Sherman has some very hard working individuals that we have put focus on over the past few weeks. Each student has had the opportunity to research a specific job they wish to have someday and all that comes with it. In Science, we have been focusing on different causes of erosion and how it can affect where we live, while doing a lot of hands-on activities to go along with the unit. In Math, we have been working on the concepts of multiplication and division! Also, every Thursday we have been welcomed to the Minerva Library for a short read aloud and discussion from the wonderful librarian and Mrs. Beth Armes. Many thanks to you, ladies!













Third Grade

Celebrating the Novel "Because of Winn-Dixie"

In third grade, each year in ELA we read the novel "Because of Winn-Dixie" by Kate DiCamillo. We use this story to help us understand concepts such as main idea & details, vocabulary, character traits, and learning about the story's overall theme or central message. In the story, the main character Opal finds a home and lifelong friends in her new community. And to celebrate the newly formed bond, they gather for a party at the end of the book. Inspired by Opal's get-together (and the delicious-sounding food,) both third grade classes had their very own "Winn-Dixie Party!" They had fancy egg salad sandwiches, "Dump Punch," pickles, and "Littmus Lozenges" —just like what was served at the party in the book. Third graders even enjoyed a viewing of the film with a very special guest "Amber," who is our school's loveable therapy dog.



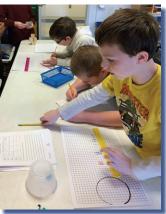


Fourth Grade



After a visit from representatives of the American Legion, students planned and composed essays about what the flag means to them.







Fourth graders gather evidence to support energy concepts.



Students play a challenging game of Revolutionary War Bingo.

Fifth Grade



Fifth graders who set a great example for Kind Conversations both in and out of the classroom!



Amber the therapy dog visited 5th Grade dressed up for St. Patrick's Day!



Grades 4, 5, and 6 waiting patiently to ask questions at the acrobat performance of "Birdhouse Factory" at the Reg Lena.



Sixth Grade

SCS 6th Grade Math/Science Mr. Fisher

As we enter the last quarter of school, the 6th grade will be studying math topics such as, ratios, rates, percent, and geometry. We also will be focusing on our prep for the NYS 6th grade math test that the students will be taking at the end of April, after our spring break.

In Science, the students will take on the role of student genetic researchers. They will learn that an organism inherits its genes from its parents, but different combinations of genes can lead to strikingly different variations even among closely related organisms. They will be studying how different variations of spider silk are utilized by humans in healthcare, such as in

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replacing injured ligaments. The students will be building physical models of proteins that make up spider silk to observe their structure.

High Fives Winners

Students are rewarded with a High Five when they show the character trait that is selected for each month. January's trait was Kindness and February's trait was Patience.

The elementary class with the most high fives for January was Mrs. Liffner's 3rd grade class. They celebrated with an ice cream party.





Grades 7-12 winners who each won a gift card for receiving High Five tickets were..
Jordyn Maynard,
Wyatt Applebee,
Gabe Kopta,
Gabe Snow,
Mary Fuller



The elementary class that had the most high fives for February was Mrs. Solinger's 3rd grade class. They celebrated with an ice cream party.

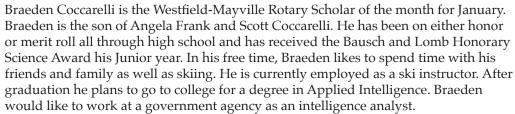
Grades 7-12 high five winners for February were.. Elisabeth Gibbons, Kihomi Lilley, Gracen Eddy, Karagan Ayers, Zachary Schmitz



Rotary Students of the Month



Makenna Tallman is the Westfield-Mayville Rotary Scholar of the month for December. Makenna is the daughter of John and Meredith Tallman. She has been on honor roll all through high school and was inducted into the National Honors Society in the fall. Makenna was awarded the U of R Frederick Douglas & Susan B. Anthony Award and the JBC Academic Achievement Award her junior year. She is the treasurer of the Student Council as well as a member of SADD and the National Honor Society. After graduation Makenna plans to attend Jamestown Business College with her full Scholarship to get her Associates degree in Digital Marketing. Her future plans are to get her Real Estate License.







Jordyn Maynard is the Westfield-Mayville Rotary Scholar of the month for February. Jordyn is the daughter of Dayna Chambers and has 3 younger siblings. She has been on honor roll all through high school and has received the Key award from Elmira College and the Scholarship of Excellence award from Jamestown Business College. Jordyn enjoys playing softball, participating in the Sherman Choir and Musicals, and is a member of the yearbook club. Outside of school, Jordyn is a member of the Stanley Hose volunteer Junior Firefighter program. In the Fall, Jordyn plans to attend Jamestown Business College to major in Hospitality.

Nova Best is the Westfield-Mayville Rotary Scholar of the month for March. Nova is the daughter of David and Corine Best. Her family plays a very important role in her life and is very close to her brother Collin. Nova has been an honor roll student all through high school and has received the George H Ball Award her Junior year. She is a member of the Yearbook club and played volleyball her sophomore year. Nova enjoys spending time with her horses, practicing photography, and farm/agriculture work. In the summer she works at a local greenhouse. Nova plans on taking a year off after graduation, but hopes to one day work with rescued and neglected horses as well as continue her education to become an equine photographer.



Students of the 2nd Quarter



Sherman Central School's Junior High Student of the Second Quarter is Kristi Mecusker. Kristi is the daughter of Matthew and Brandi Mecusker. Her favorite courses are Science, Math, and Spanish. Kristi enjoys playing basketball and volleyball in her spare time. After

graduation she would like to become a Marine Biologist and to achieve her dreams of having a good life.



Sherman Central School's
Senior High Student of the Second
Quarter is Taryn Palmatier. Taryn
is the daughter of Scott and Nicole
Palmatier. Her favorite courses
are English, Spanish, and
Music. Taryn's favorite activities
are reading, singing, tap dancing,
and playing the clarinet. Her career

interests include traveling the world and helping others. Taryn would like to let her family and teachers know how much she appreciates everything that they have done for her.



Sherman Central School Honor/Merit Roll - 2nd Quarter

12th Grade Honor Roll

Nova Best, Gerald Carris, Christopher Eades, Jenna Fisher, Nikki Head, Samantha Henning, Elijah Kioko, Trey Von Kopta, Nicholas Lilley, Kaitlyn Lindsey, Jordyn Maynard, Iron Rivera, Loyea Spacht, Ellie Stevens, Makenna Tallman

12 Grade Merit Roll

Jason Davis, Harmony Polach

11th Grade Honor Roll

Karagan Ayers, Reagan Bates, Nicholas Devine, Hayden Fisher, Cora Goldberg, Paige Gratto, Brayden Hayes, Lillian Heverley, Mattelynn Joint, Nellie Kopta, David Maleski, Desiree Mercado, Leighanne Swan, Camdin Trask

11th Grade Merit Roll

Haleigh Christensen, Natalie Davis, Izaya Kelly, Emilie LaVoice, Jarrett Rhebergen, Gabriel Snow,

10th Grade Honor Roll

Devin Johnson, Memphis Kopta, Kamari Lilley, Sophie Lindsey, Olivia Maleski, Lily Martin, Daniel Meeder, Taryn Palmatier, Ryan Perry, Tayden Persons, Brandy Safford, William Scadden, Elliot Thompson, Kinsey Witherow, Ivy Yokom

10thGrade Merit Roll

Jacob Allen, Andrew Beatman, Collin Best, Lexus Eschenbach, Faith Gormley, Chloey Kopta

9th Grade Honor Roll

Kellie Christensen, Erin Elder, Teagan Gratto, Max Guzman, Joseph Issler, Kenadi Long, Jonah Martin, Andrew Perry, Brady Phelps, Zachary Schmitz, Aaron Stevens, Logan Swan, Kelsey Wagner, Jayden Zenns

9th Grade Merit Roll

Dylan Carey, Isaphina Kioko, Carson Pinzok, Dominick Rater, Kendra Thornton, Lily Wynn

8th Grade Honor Roll

Elias Armes, Albert Burkett, Troy Chambers, Jacob Ferranto, Mary Fuller, Olivia Lindsey, Kristi Mecusker, Hannah Phelps, Allison Rhebergen, Larsen Swan, Brookelynn Wright

8th Grade Merit Roll

Camron Bascom, Bryce Carlson, Kaleigh Carlson, Kamryn Heinert, Delilah Heverley, Scott James

7th Grade Honor Roll

Isabella Barton, Caden Christensen, Caleb Cook, James DeLellis, Gracen Eddy, Madison Emory, Adrienne Eshelman, Kaden Hallowell, Megan Hawkins, Faith Hooks, Gabe Kopta, Kihomi Lilley, Emily Mecusker, Abigail Mellors, Bria Palmatier, Talon Persons, William Spitzer

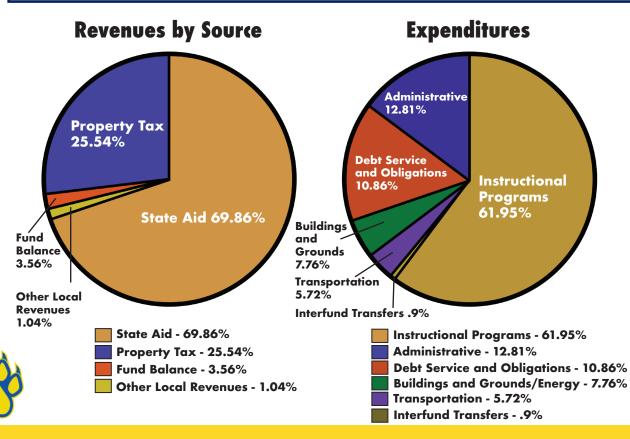
7th Grade Merit Roll

Jasper Eschenbach, Carlie Gable, Kyle Maynard, Elias Mendoza, Aaron Orlando, Tayler Pinzok, Isabella Sorrento



BUDGET INFORMATION

Revenues by Source	2021-2022 Revenue Budget	2022-2023 Revenue Budget
State Aid State Aid consists of a number of components. Foundation Aid is the major component. Other types of aid are transportation aid, building aid textbook aid, computer hardware aid, library materials aid, aid for pupils with disabilities and others. Some of these components are expenditure driven. Categorical aids must be spent on specific items.	\$7,285,534	\$7,808,265
Property Tax This includes funds from the real property tax levy and the School Tax Relief Reimbursement.	\$2,804,823	\$2,854,476
Other Local Revenue BOCES refund, E-Rate, Admissions, Youth Services Tuition, Interest, Insurance Recoveries and Distance Learning Reimbursement is recorded here.	\$170,675	\$115,950
Fund Balance This amount represents monies that are being appropriated toward next year's operating budget.	\$377,528	\$397,809
Total Revenues	\$10,638,560	\$11,176,500



BUDGET INFORMATION

Expenditures By Use	2021-2022 Expenditure Budget	2022-2023 Expenditure Budget
Buildings and Grounds/Energy This category includes all expenditures for the Operation and Maintenance of our Building and Grounds.	\$777,590	\$867,658
Debt Service and Obligations This primarily represents principal and interest payments on bonds.	\$1,247,668	\$1,214,319
Transportation This category includes expenditures for the Transportation program, including Salaries and Fringe Benefits, Materials and Supplies, Contractual and Bus Garage Utilities.	\$612,372	\$638,913
Instructional Program All Expenditures for the Regular and Special Education Programs, Computer Assisted Instruction, Guidance, Attendance, School Libraries, Student Health Services, Co-curricular Activities, and Interscholastic Athletics are accounted for here.	\$6,532,785	\$6,923,745
Administrative This Category includes all expenditures of Board of Education, Superintendent's Office, Business Office, Independent Audit, District Treasurer, Personnel, Legal Services, and Insurance Costs other than Transportation.	\$1,368,145	\$1,431,865
Interfund Transfers This category includes transfers to Capital Fund to be used for a capital outlay project. This project will be for new floor and wall tile in student bathrooms	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total Expenditures	\$10,638,560	\$11,176,500
Dollar Change from Prior Year \$537,940 Percent Change from Prior Year 5.06%		

BUDGET INFORMATION

Sherman Central School District residents will go to the polls on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 to vote on a proposed \$11,176,500 budget for the 2022-2023 school year. As the proposed levy is at the district's maximum allowable levy at 1.77%, the proposed budget requires a simple majority (50 percent plus one vote) for approval. The vote will be on the proposed budget, the election of one school board member, as well as the proposed purchase of 2 school buses and a transit van. Please note that polls open at 12pm and close at 8pm on May 17, and voting will take place in the front lobby of the school.

On behalf of the Sherman Central School District, I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the community for its thoughtful consideration of our 2022-2023 budget proposal. We have worked diligently to develop a fiscally responsible, balanced budget that supports educational programs, accounts for rising costs, preserves an adequate fund balance and is mindful of the financial impact to taxpayers, while at the same time ensuring the stability and the long-term health of our schools. The proposed budget will provide continued extracurricular activities and athletic programs, while continuing to provide culturally inclusive educational programs and services that meet the needs of all our students.

I believe that we have been able to accomplish a great deal this year as we continue to navigate through the immense challenges COVID-19 has caused. Our students were able to begin their instructional programs in person and remain in person since September 2021. Our dedicated faculty, staff and administrative team have worked tirelessly to provide the best possible programs and extracurricular opportunities for all of our students. Although some of our students have s truggled with the changes during the pandemic, we have worked hard to provide additional support, including a full time social worker and school psychologist using the federal stimulus money received. Federal stimulus money will also help greatly as we work to enhance summer school programs this year, across all grade levels, to help close the learning gap as well as provide enrichment programs.

I feel very fortunate to be surrounded by a community that values education and that places their trust in this district. It is a momentous responsibility, but we work hard every day to create a school district that we remain proud of being a small school making a BIG IMPACT. We are eager to watch our community continue to grow and achieve new goals in the 2022-2023 school year! Remember your vote is important – every vote counts! Thank you for your support of our District and your continued partnership as we work together to educate the whole student to become lifelong learners in an ever-changing world.

Carrie Yohe - Superintendent



Candidate Information

The three candidates running for the seat on the Board of Education this year are:

- Kristin Irwin
- Colleen Meeder
- Travis Weise

Voters will be asked to elect one (1) member to the Board of Education, one seat for a term of five years to expire June 30, 2027.



Drama Club

On Friday, April 1st and Saturday April 2nd, our SCS Drama Club performed the play "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life on Earth" in the John Butler Auditorium. Originally written to be performed as a virtual Show, the cast transformed the script to create a version LIVE on stage. Streaming for viewers at home was available as well. The Drama Club would like to thank everyone who supported their show!







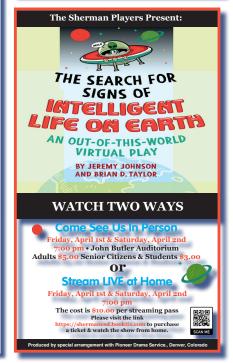


















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Karagan Ayers Chloey Kopta Desiree Mercado Elisabeth Gibbons



Carlie Phelps Savanna Majewski





Camdin Trask Cora Goldberg



Maddison Eastham

My drawing class drew portraits of their choice using a grid. They also just completed animal drawings using colored pencil. They will work on a few more drawings & then we will move on to painting. We will start with abstract, paint forms, 3-d paintings & then landscapes...FUN, FUN, FUN!





Sophie Lindsey



Lexus Eschenbach

Ellie Stevens



Kinsey Witherow





Mattelynn Joint



Nova Best





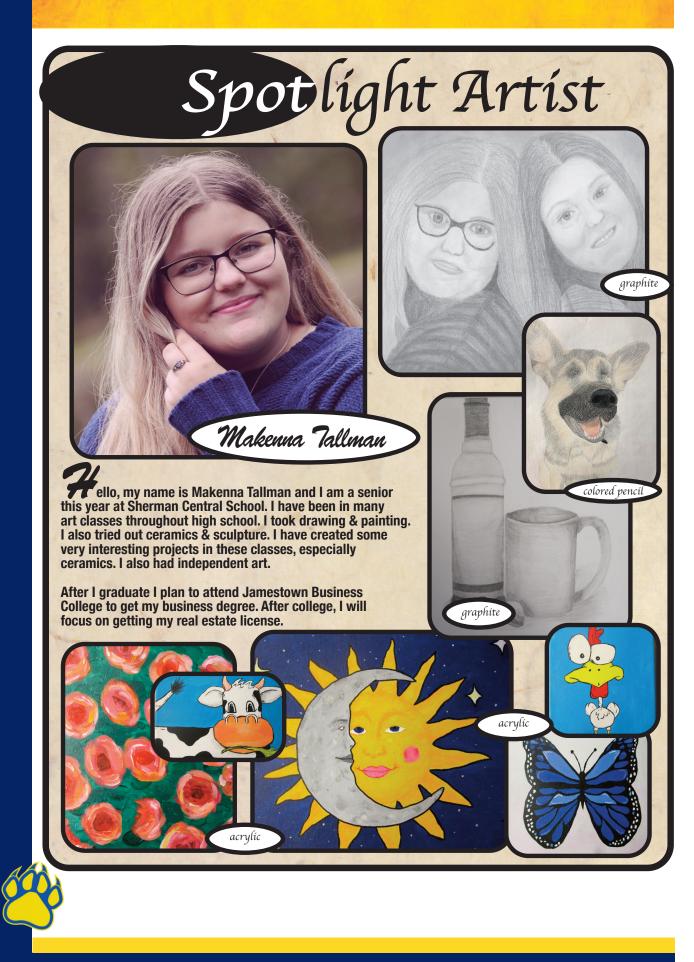


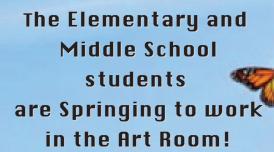




hemp jewelry, tie dyeing & much, much more!









Boatwright's Class made their own shaped crayons!



Pre-K Kandinsky Inspired Circle Paintings

Kindergarten & 1st Grade "Chihuly Inspired Bowls"





6th Grade Encaustic Paintings



What's happening in the

It has been a busy 2022 in the library!
Here are some highlights!

February: Olympics





March: Women's History Month

Every day, students all over the school learned about remarkable women with daily video features on the morning announcements.





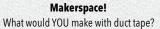
Battle of the Books

Two teams, two Battles. 6th, 7th, and 8th graders will battle at the Robert H. Jackson Center

5th graders will battle at Chautauqua Institution

Battles are in May.















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The Little Team With A Big Heart

There's something extra special about basketball season in Sherman, NY. As a smalltown athlete, I used to think small towns had such a faithful following for playoff runs because there wasn't much else to do in our little corner of the world. As a coach, I see how wrong I was. The bleachers are packed because small towns are filled with loving people who want to see some of their own succeed, who want to support any way they can, who want to celebrate the highest highs and know disappointment shouldn't be suffered alone. The outpouring of love and support has been overwhelming.

Thank you to all who donated money, food, and time to provide for our team. Every single need was met and then some. To those who made signs, shared words of encouragement, or a fist bump in passing, those meant more than you know. Thank you to everyone who traveled near and far to pack the stands, and thank you to those who cheered from home. The SCS send off, the fire truck escorts, and the welcome home are memories we'll all hold dear. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for cheering us on throughout this adventure. Go Wildcats!

Coach Emily Eckwahl



JV Girls Basketball

The SCS JV Girls Basketball team finished the 2021-2022 season with a 9-6 record. This was an amazing feat considering there were only 6 girls on the team and most of their games were played with only 5 girls healthy enough to participate. The team consisted of Lily Martin, Brandy Safford, Isa Kioko, Kellie Christensen, Jayden Zenns, and Carlie Gable. As a team, they averaged 33.8 points a game while only giving up only 27.6 PPG. Lily Martin led the team in scoring with a 12.5 points per game average. This group of girls worked so hard every day and is one of the most enjoyable groups of athletes I've ever coached. I am very excited to work with them in the offseason. Great season ladies!





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Notice Of Budget Hearing/Annual School District Meeting

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING/ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting of the citizens of the Sherman Central School District qualified to vote at the school meetings in said District, will be held in the front lobby of Sherman Central School, in the Village of Sherman, New York, on Monday May 9, 2022 at 6:00 PM EDT for the transaction of such business as is authorized by Education Law.

Voting will take place, Tuesday, May 17, 2022 in the front lobby of Sherman Central School during the hours of 12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM EDT for the following purposes:

- 1) To vote upon the adoption of a budget for the operation of the school district for the 2022-23 school year. Copies of the budget will be available at the Office of the District Clerk on or after May 2, 2022.
- 2) To authorized to undertake the acquisition of the following fleet vehicles: two (2) 66-passenger school buses, at an estimated maximum cost of \$146,460.00 each, and one (1) transit van, at an estimated maximum cost of \$58,370.00, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$351,290.00, less trade-in value, if any.
- 3) To elect one (1) member to the Board of Education, one seat for a term of five years to expire June 30, 2027.

The complete legal notice can be found on the school website at https://shermancsd.org/board-of-education-public-documents. Absentee ballot applications are available for qualified district residents and military voters. Please contact the district clerk's office at (716) 761-6122 or e-mail lwaygood@shermancsd.org for further details.

By Order of the Board of Education Luke A. J. Waygood, District Clerk