

# Sussex-Wantage Schools District Newsletter

December 23, 2021

## Calendar of Events

### **December**

12/23; EARLY DISMISSAL  
12/24; SCHOOL CLOSED  
12/27-12/31; SCHOOL CLOSED

### **January**

1/3; SCHOOL CLOSED  
1/4; 7pm PTO Mtg Virtual  
1/6; 7pm BOE Reorganization Mtg @  
SMS  
1/13; Early Dismissal - Staff/Faculty PD  
1/17; SCHOOL CLOSED  
1/27; 7pm BOE Mtg @ SMS

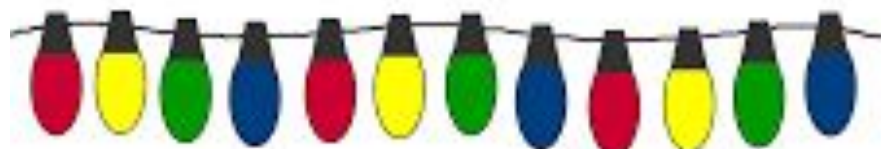
The 12-month calendar is  
available to print here on  
our website

[12-month Calendar](#)

Don't forget to check  
out our website

[www.swregional.org](http://www.swregional.org)

Please send students to  
school with a proper fitting  
mask



# Happy Holidays!

Thurs December 23rd; EARLY DISMISSAL  
Fri December 24th; SCHOOL CLOSED  
December 27th-31st; SCHOOL CLOSED  
Mon January 3rd; SCHOOL CLOSED  
Tues January 4th; SCHOOL RESUMES



# Happy Holidays!



Congratulations to the SMS students  
of the month for December.

**6th Grade- Angelina Sampson**  
**7th Grade- Troy Boffa**  
**8th Grade- Gabrielle Beauchamp**



**Congratulations to this year's  
Sussex- Wantage Regional School District  
Governor's Educator of the Year.**

**Lawrence School;  
Aimie Schneider**

**Wantage School:  
Deborah Roberts**

**Sussex Middle School:  
Jennifer Apolito**

# Cafeteria News

Breakfast and lunch are available at each school in the district, free of charge for all students for the 2021-22 school year.

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Click [here to view school menus](#)



View your menu <https://swregional.nutrislice.com/>

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Before/After Care registration is open.

Go to the district website [for the application.](#)



# Community Events



## Utility Payment Assistance Programs



**PAST DUE BALANCES MAY PUT YOU AT RISK FOR SHUT OFF AFTER 12/31/21**

**APPLY FOR NEW JERSEY'S ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TODAY!**

**Universal Service Fund (USF)** provides monthly credits of up to \$180 per month for household natural gas and electric bills. USF credits are based on the percentage of household income spent on energy. USF also offers *forgiveness of overdue utility balances* through the **USF-Fresh Start Program**. Through Fresh Start, for each month a USF customer pays their current monthly charges in full, 1/12 of the balance owed at time of enrollment is forgiven. See next page for income limits. Apply for USF with the HEAP application (see below).

**Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** provides grants for household heating costs, medically-necessary cooling, and heating expenses included in rent. Self-screen for eligibility and apply online at [www.nj.gov/dca/dcaid](http://www.nj.gov/dca/dcaid), or call the USF/HEAP hotline at **800-510-3102** to have an application mailed to you, find a local application agency, or request a home visit due to medical reasons.

**Payment Assistance for Gas and Electric (PAGE)** provides grants for natural gas and electric bills for low- and moderate-income households. If you are income eligible for USF, you must apply for USF before seeking supplemental assistance from PAGE. You can apply online at [www.njpoweron.org](http://www.njpoweron.org) or call **732-982-8710** to have an application mailed to you or for help finding a local application agency.

**Lifeline Utility Assistance Program** helps income-eligible senior citizens and the disabled with their electric and natural gas costs. Income limits are less than \$28,769 if single and less than \$35,270 if married. Income limits will be raised by \$10,000 on January 1, 2022. Apply for Lifeline with the NJSave application at [www.aging.nj.gov](http://www.aging.nj.gov) or call **800-792-9745**.

**New Jersey SHARES** offers assistance for the following types of utility bills: water, telephone, broadband (internet), and energy bills. Apply online at [www.njshares.org](http://www.njshares.org) or call **866-657-4273** to have an application mailed to you or for help finding local partner agencies and more information.

**If you have an overdue balance and cannot reach a fair payment arrangement with your utility company, please call NJBPU at 800-624-0241 and apply for assistance programs above.**

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The North Pole Times™

# Christmas Crossword Puzzle

'Twas the Night before Christmas



## HINT:

Go to the "Santa's Story Room" section for clues.

[www.NorthPoleTimes.com/StoryRoom/](http://www.NorthPoleTimes.com/StoryRoom/)

### Across

4. His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a
5. Tore open the shutters and threw up the
8. The moon on the breast of the new-fallen
9. While visions of
11. He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old
12. On, Comet !On, Cupid! On, Donder and
15. The prancing and pawing of each little
16. And giving a nod, up the chimney he

### Down

1. I knew in an instant it must be Saint
2. 'Twas the night before
3. That shook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of
6. Not a creature was stirring, not even a
7. Had just settled down for a long winter's
10. But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny
13. Happy Christmas to all and to all a good
14. He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his

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Easy / Hard Level

Across 4.cherry 5.sash 8.snow 9.sugarplums 11.elf 12.bilizen 15.hoof 16.rose Down 1.nick 2.Christmas 3.jelly 6.mouse 7.nap 10.reindeer 13.night 14.foot

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