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Thank you to all faculty, staff, students, and parents/guardians for a great 2021-2022 school year!









(Above): Morgan Woodall after winning the YEA competition at The Center for Rural Development. Morgan was awarded top prize, which is a 4-year college scholarship to Campbellsville University! SMS is very proud of our own Morgan Woodall! Great job!

Pictured at right are the seven middle school students that participated in the YEA! Competition. There were also several high school students from SWHS, PCHS, Somerset High School, and Somerset Christian that participated.

SMS Student, <u>Morgan Woodall</u>, Wins YEA! County-Wide Competition!

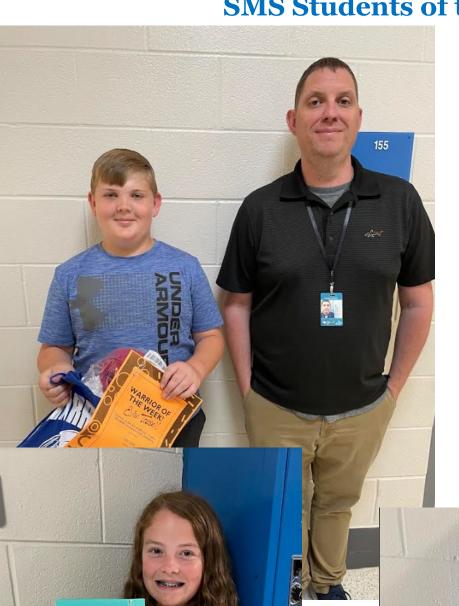
SMS 7th grader, Morgan Woodall (Left), recently won the Young Entrepreneur Academy contest, in a competition that included all of Pulaski County's students in grades 7-12. This competition is somewhat like "Shark Tank" on a local level.



(Above) Five SMS students were named to the Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) for the 2021-2022 school year. SMS would like to congratulate Desiree Ball, Morgan Woodall, Elijah Hoehler, Cade Hudson, and Oliver Frey on their participation in the YEA! program. Seventh-grader Morgan Woodall was announced as the overall winner of the business competition!



SMS Students of the Week!



SMS students of the week for May 13th:

Matthew Maher (left), 6th Blue:

Breeana Chriswell (below left), 7th Blue

Evan Troxell (below right), 8th Blue.

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SMS students of the week for May 20th:

6th Orange, Nick Ross (left);

7th Orange, Trinity Meece (below left),

8th Orange, Edan Cooper, (below right),



SMS 8th Grade Formal









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SMS Art Club Holds Year-End Gallery Show

Ms. Calhoun and Ms. Cooper, Art Club sponsors, recently held an art show to highlight the artists' works for the year. Great job, SMS Art Club!









SMS Art Club students pose in from of their art pieces during the art gallery show.



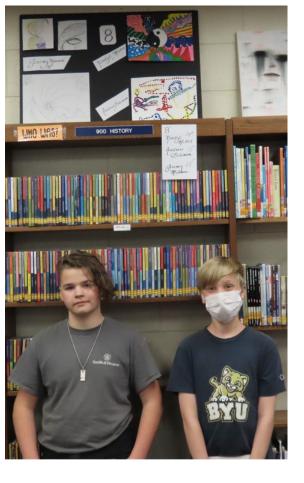


















7th Grade Blue Team celebrates last day of school.





Mr. Kinney's STEM class demonstrating their robotic skills.

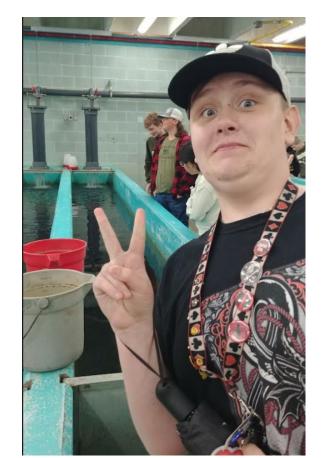








8th Grade Blue Team takes field trip to Wolf Creek Dam and Fish Hatchery.







HIGH SCHOOL SOFBALL — SMS players honored in 8th Grade Night festivities

Southern Middle School 8th grade students Jordyn McDonald, Lexi Martin, and Arabella Lowery were recognized in 8th Grade Night ceremonies prior to their varsity softball game last week. All three girls play up on the Southwestern varsity softball team.

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- SMS softball team closes out 2022 campaign
- SMS baseball team nearing the end of the year
- SMS football players recognized
- SMS archery team competes in nationals
- SMS ladies win awards
- SMS boys' soccer team loses in semifinals
- SMS girls' soccer team falls in tourney



VOLLEYBALL — Southern falls to Rock in final match

The Southern Middle School volleyball team concluded their 2022 season in early May versus Rockcastle County. The Lady Rockets of Rockcastle County came away with three match victories on the night, sweeping the Southern Lady Warriors in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade action. The Lady Warriors are already prepping for the 2023 volleyball season.



SOFTBALL — Lady Warriors end 2022 campaign

The Southern Middle School softball season came to an end recently. The Lady Warriors improved tremendously over the course of the 2022 season. 2023 looks bright for head coach Josh New and the Lady Warriors, as they will return many of their starters next spring.







BOYS SOCCER — Warriors fall to Meece in tourney

The Southern Middle School boys' soccer team had their season come to a close in the semifinals of the district tournament. After downing Casey County in the opening round, the Warriors met up with Meece in the semifinals. It was a hard fought match, but the Warriors came up just a bit short in a game that was delayed several days due to poor weather conditions.





HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL — Dalton, McDonald earns awards

The Southern Middle School duo of Kylie Dalton and Jordyn McDonald have been racking up awards on the softball field. Both ladies were recently named United Cumberland Bank Players of the Game via Lake Cumberland Sports. The duo were also named one of the Commonwealth Journal's Athletes of the Week. Dalton, an 7th grader, and McDonald, an 8th grader, both play up on the Southwestern High School varsity softball team.





GIRLS SOCCER — Lady Warriors suffer season-ending loss

The Southern Middle School girls' soccer team had their season come to an end recently in the district soccer tournament in Russell Springs. The Lady Warriors downed rival Northern in the opening round to advance to the semifinals. Southern went up against Wayne County in the next round, where they suffered a close loss. Wayne County would eventually win the district tourney.



GIRLS SOCCER — Lady Warriors beat Casey, fall to Meece

The Southern Middle School football program had three players selected to the Kentucky Future Middle School All-Star football team. The three players are Koleson Eichmann, Jacob Kiser, and Deven Leclercq. The Kentucky team will face the all-star team from Tennessee on Saturday, June 18th, at Saint Xavier High School in Louisville.



ARCHERY — Warriors compete in nationals

The Southern Middle School archery team recently competed in the 2022 NASP Eastern Nationals in Louisville. The archery team had a successful 2021-2022 season under head coach Aaron Atwood and assistant coach Krista Atwood.



BASEBALL — Warriors nearing end of season

The Southern Middle School baseball has been busy down the stretch. Head coach Chad Shipp and the Warriors will wrap up their 2022 season in the state tournament this week.





Above: The Southwestern High School football team hosted 8th Grade Signing Night recently.

Below: The Southern Middle School football team hosted 6th Grade Signing Night recently.



SMS Baseball & Softball 8th Grade Night







Congrats to SMS' Jackson Wright and Chris Brown for their stellar performances in the 12th Region Boys Tennis Tournament!











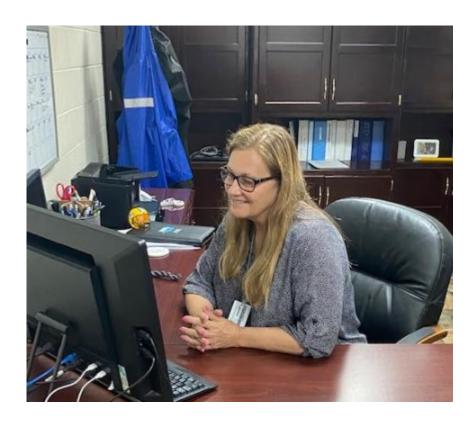


SMS Staff of the Week for May:

(Left) Mr. James Burnett, 7th Grade Social Studies Teacher,

(Below) Mr. Shawn Grant, 6th Grade Social Studies Teacher, and

(Bottom Right) Ms. Sheryl Cooper, Curriculum Coordinator.



Congratulations to our new retirees! Left to right, Mr. Greg Kinney (STEM teacher), Ms. Donna Bingham (RTI Reading teacher), and Mr. Chris Baker (Resource teacher).



Important Dates for the 2022-2023 School Year

Open House Dates

6th Grade: Thursday, August 4th, 4:00-6:00 P.M. 7th & 8th Grade: Monday, August 8th, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

SMS Opening Day for Faculty & Staff: Monday, August 8th First day for Students: Wednesday, August 10th

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