



Looking Forward

June 28, 2023

From the Principal

Happy Summer SLA Family!

I hope everyone is taking some time this summer to slow down and enjoy life!

Even though we slow down a bit during the summer, things are still busy. The 5th grade and English (now History) classrooms will have new floors. We've begun the process of replacing the heating system in the high school building, which will be quite the undertaking as we move forward with this project. Our goal is to have the project completed for the 24-25 school year. We had a great workbee this past Sunday and a number of small projects were completed. The kitchen has been gutted and we are now in the process of receiving a quote to upgrade the space to a commercial kitchen. And lastly, when school starts up in the fall and you're looking for a place to park, there will be fresh lines on the pavement.

Camp Sunrise is off to a great start with quite a few campers! I'm currently writing this in the middle of dropping them off and picking them up later from the local pool. If you haven't tried out our camp, it's not too late!

We now have all of our staff in place for next year. We're looking forward to having all of our new faculty and staff join our amazing team. A complete list is included in this newsletter.

Lastly, don't forget about our recruitment bonus. The details are attached to the newsletter email. This is a \$200 bonus for referring a new student to our school and the recruitment form must be completed by September 1st of the current school year to receive the bonus.

That's all for now. Enjoy your summer!

Be Blessed and Encouraged,

David Branum
Principal



Having fun at Camp Sunrise

Summer Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9 am - 1 pm

Closed Fridays

Upcoming Dates

June 19 - July 28 - Camp Sunrise

August TBA - Work Bee

August 21 - 1st Day of School

High School Schedule Change!!!



Mrs. Gardner has been working very hard to make some adjustments to next year's high school bell schedule. Next year, **THE HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE GETTING DISMISSED FOR THE DAY at 3 pm!!!**



Enrollment/Reenrollment

Thank you to everyone who has enrolled/reenrolled in order to help us plan for next school year! **This Friday is your last day to save on enrollment/reenrollment fees.** Starting July 1st the fee goes up by an additional \$75.



Enrollment/Reenrollment Fee		
Must be paid to submit enrollment/reenrollment packet		
Increases by \$75 per student starting July 1st		
Grade	Fee up to June 30	Fee starting July 1st
P & PK	\$115	\$190
Elementary K-4	\$221	\$296
Middle School 5-7	\$300	\$375
8th	\$337	\$412
Grades 9-11	\$410	\$485
Seniors	\$452	\$527



July 1st Changes:

- Current SLA students will lose their priority placement on July 1st, and enrollment will be first come first serve at that point.
- Enrollment Fee increases by additional \$75 (see chart above).

The enrollment fee must be paid to submit packet.

Enrollment Fee includes: the fee for the yearbook, and my also include fees for classroom supplies, technology, Chromebook usage, and other things (fees depend on grade level).

See the **23-24 Financial Obligation Form** on the school website under Student/Parent > Parent > Files & Forms for the details of the tuition and enrollment fees.

Tommy Sale! Next Week!

Uniform sale from July 3-9

Scan the QR code to get the details on the sale.

School Code: **SOUT01**

Promo Code Required: **CRK4RJ8C35**

<https://www.globalschoolwear.com/school/SOUT01>

July 3-9



SAVE

**10% OFF
UNIFORMS**

SCHOOL UNIFORMS
by TOMMY HILFGER

JULY 3RD - 9TH

2023

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DATE



SCAN HERE TO SIGN UP FOR DETAILS

College Church VBS Registration Closes June 30th!



Registration for VBS at the College Church will close on Friday, June 30th. Please note that there is a firm deadline this year to ensure that the check-in / check-out process is smooth, efficient and safe. You can contact Nicole Broushet if you have questions at: cckids@wearecc.net or 347-931-5922.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 10-15 2023

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION



4-7:30pm

WATER GAMES, BIBLE STORIES, FOOD, FIRE PIT, PARENTS LOUNGE AND MUCH MORE!

WWW.WEARECC.NET

Camp Sunrise

Camp Sunrise, SLA's summer day camp, is in Full Swing! Our previous director, Marisol Gracia came up from Florida to teach our new camp director, Sarah Nicholas, all the ins and outs of camp. Marisol's last week is Week 2, and next week Sarah is fully in charge of running Camp Sunrise!

During Week 1, campers visited the annual Southern New England Camp Meeting every morning, in order to take part in the programs and activities going on there. This also included a field trip to Camp Winnekeag in the middle of the week, which had a late return to SLA.

During Week 2, campers learned about repentance. They learned how we all make mistakes as we try to choose the right. But we can repent and be forgiven because of Jesus Christ's atonement. God the Father gave us the gift of repentance so we can always try again. Campers also learned about Baptism and why Jesus was Baptized. This week included a field trip to Mulligan's Mini Golf in Sterling.

Week 3 - Theme: The Holy Spirit. Trip: A Butterfly Garden
Week 4 - Theme: Prayer. Trip: Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary
Week 5 - Theme: Teachings of Jesus. Trip: The Ecotarium
Week 6 - Theme: Miracles. Trip: Water Park
Field Trip destinations are still subject to change.

High school students can volunteer for a week at camp and earn their annual required hours of Community Service as well!

[Learn more about camp on our school website. Click HERE!](#)

TO MAKE A PAYMENT OR DONATE A WEEK OF CAMP TO A CHILD:

(click and then scroll to the bottom)

<https://www.mysla.org/payments>



www.mysla.org/campsonrise



CAMP SONRISE 2023

\$188 per week /child
\$75 per week for CIT

CAMP DATES



Week 1: June 19-23
Week 2: June 26-30
Week 3: July 3-7
(closed July 4)
Week 4: July 10-14
Week 5: July 17-21
Week 6: July 24-28

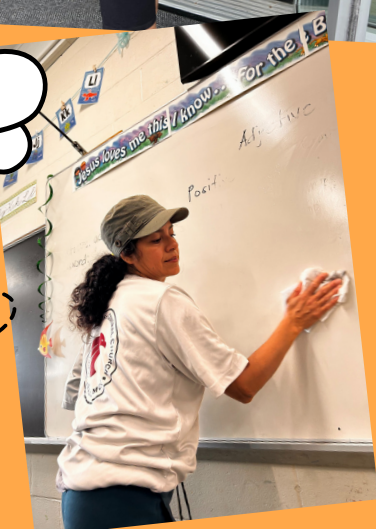
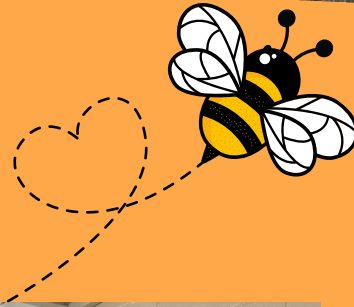


June Work Bee

Thank you to all who came out to help on Sunday, June 25th. There was plenty of dusting, cleaning, painting, heavy lifting, and even demolition to keep everyone busy from 9am-1pm. Blinds were dusted, lockers were wiped off, the purple stripe that leads visitors down the hall, up the stairs, and to the gym was repainted, and the SLA kitchen was taken apart.

Haystacks, watermelon, and tres leches cake were provided by The Home and School Association as a thank you at the end of the event. This tasty meal and morning of selfless work filled not only the bellies, but also the souls of all the volunteers who showed up to help.

If you weren't able to help out during our June Work Bee, don't fret! There will be an August Work Bee as well - the date is yet to be determined.



Kitchen Renovation!



SLA's kitchen, which is located between the music room and the SLA Chapel, is getting renovated! During the June Work Bee, volunteers did a smashing job gutting the entire kitchen, and it is now ready to be rebuilt. With the help of some donors, SLA is working towards having a commercial kitchen ready in time for this next school year! There will be stainless steel countertops and appliances and everything!

If you would like to help by donating money or time/skills so this project reaches a more timely completion, please contact Mr. Branum at principal@mysla.org for information on how you can help. Thank you to all who have helped so far in getting this project rolling!



NEW FACULTY & STAFF!



**1st Grade:
Yaliza Rodriguez**

Yaliza Rodriguez comes to SLA from GBA. She has been working as a teacher for 7 years, and has experience as a 4th grade teacher, and as a K-3 special education teacher. She is bilingual, speaking both English and Spanish, and aims to help children love learning, and growing closer to God.

Welcome to our SLA Family, Mrs. Rodriguez!



NEW



**6th Grade:
Jonathan Bissell**

Jonathan Bissell also joins us from GBA. He has been working as a teacher for 4 years, and has experience as a homeroom teacher for grades 6-8, and also as a physical education teacher, and substitute teacher. Jonathan also brought some pets with him - his geckos, frogs, and chameleon, and several plants.

Welcome to our SLA Family, Mr. Bissell!



Most elementary parents are already familiar with Kristie Creitz, as she has been SLA's 6th Grade Teacher for a few years. Since Mrs. Ford's retirement, Mrs. Creitz has moved into the 3rd grade teacher position. She has been teaching for 27 years, with 5 of those years being here at SLA.

Welcome to 3rd grade Mrs. Creitz!

3rd Grade: Kristie Creitz



NEW



High School Spanish: Arlin Herrera

Arlin Herrera has been working as a Patient Advocate at Family Health Center in Worcester for 4 years, and as a Case Manager in Worcester and Clinton before that. She has a B.S. in Psychology, and a B.A. in Spanish from Atlantic Union College.

Welcome to SLA Team Mrs. Herrera!



High School English: Roger Prather

Roger Prather has been working at SLA for a couple of years now as a contract teacher. He's taught Religion, Sociology, and Criminal Justice. Roger has experience working as a correction officer for 15 years, and he has been furthering his education at the same time, with a B.S. in Paralegal Studies, an M.A. in Christian Apologetics, and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Public Policy that he is completing in 2024. With all this education, he's had significant academic experience in research, writing, documentation, textual analysis, and more ELA coursework.

We're so glad to have you as a full-time teacher at SLA!



Assistant Treasurer: Cheryl Drew

Cheryl Drew has just started working at SLA as our new Assistant Treasurer this week! She is an SLA Alum, and SLA has always held a special place in her heart. She has 38 years of experience in accounting, and has worked most recently at Lawrence Academy for 11 years.

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs. Drew to our SLA Family - although I can't imagine anyone is more thrilled than our Treasurer, JoAnn!



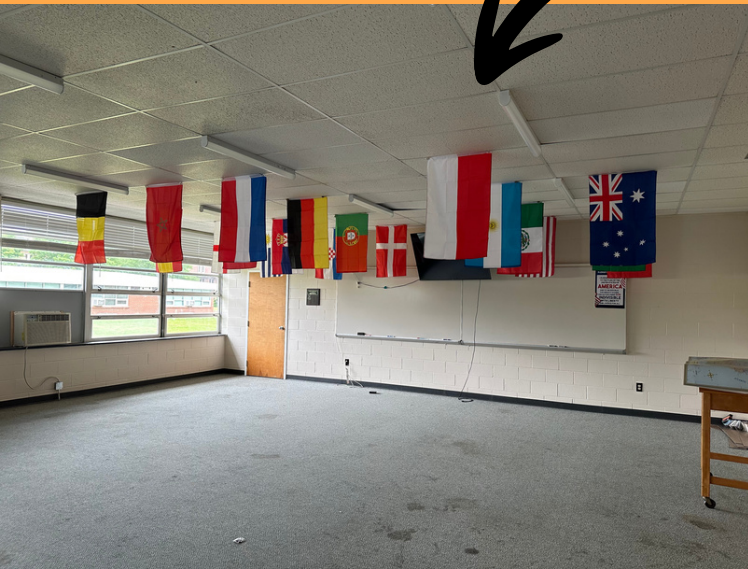
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Open Gym Summer Schedule 2023

Sports News

It's not too late to sign up for volleyball or basketball Open Gym, Please reach out to Mr. DeOliveira at hdeoliveira@mysla.org with any questions about the summer programs, or to sign up for Open Gym.

- **HS Basketball Open Gym - all summer long!**
 - Sundays 8:00-10:00am
 - Wednesdays 5:00-7:00pm
- **HS Volleyball Open Gym - all summer long!**
 - Mondays 5:30-7:30pm



The former English classroom, has become the history classroom. This room is getting new flooring this summer!



This will be the new location of the English classroom, where our new English teacher, Mr. Prather will be holding his classes.

Classroom Switcheroo





South Lancaster Academy

Current Student Enrollment

Instructions: On your browser (**not mobile friendly**) open www.factsmgt.com. Click on **FACTS Family Portal Log In** and complete the fields under Family Portal Login. The **District Code** is **SL- MA**. If you forgot your User Name and Password information click on "**Forgot User Name/Password**," or contact Debora Argueta in the elementary office.

Once you are in your Family Portal account click on **Apply/Enroll** on the left hand column, then **Enrollment/Reenrollment**, then on the link that says **Click here to open Online Enrollment**. At this point you should see your child's name in the middle of the page.

Our Online Enrollment system will open with a link to the enrollment packet for your child. Please start with the **Instructions and Resources** page and go down the list. Click on "Save and Next" in the gray bar at the bottom of each page. The online process takes about 15 minutes to complete. Your information will be saved if you need to quit and come back later.

We hope that all students will be returning next year, however, if for some reason your child will not be returning to SLA, please click on "Will not Enroll" next to your child's name. Then state the reason for not returning and click "Submit." We appreciate you helping us plan more accurately for next year.

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be paid to submit packet,
and increases over time.**

**July 1st +\$75
August 1st +\$100**

If you have any questions about the process, please contact the elementary office at 978-368-8544 ext. 106 or send an email to dargueta@mysla.org. If you have questions about finances please contact treasurer@mysla.org