



SMS Sunday Message: October 31



Good evening, Spartan Family! This is Matthew A. Mason, proud principal of Sandusky Middle School, and here is the Sunday Message for the week of November 1 - 5. This message has been forwarded to our SMS family via email and can also be found on our website under the Sunday Messages tab.

- This Tuesday, November 2, students will not attend school. This is a workday for LCS staff. Students will return to school on Wednesday, November 3.
- We have a few sporting events this week. On Monday, November 1, our football team will play at Heritage High School against Liberty Middle School at 6:30 pm. The cost of admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for students. Let's come out and cheer our student athletes to victory. Go Spartans! Open gym for boys basketball is held every Monday and Wednesday after school. Tryouts for boys will be held on November 9 and 10, and girls basketball on November 10 and 11. Students must have a valid physical on file. Please contact our Athletic Director, Coach Kelso, at 515-5350 if you have any questions. Finally, students, if you are interested in joining the wrestling team, the first day of practice will be November 29. We will meet in the SMS cafetorium. You will need a valid physical, workout clothes and wrestling shoes. Please contact Coach Stanbery at 540-312-0802, or at stanberywb@lcsedu.net.
- Parents and guardians, we are identifying students whose grades have been impacted due to quarantining or inconsistent staffing. Please be patient as we identify students and determine what is the most efficient way of supporting students with their grades. More information will come once the best method of support has been determined. Thank you.

- Finally, parents, guardians and students, while SMS does supply masks for students when they are in need of one, students are required to bring their own masks to school and on the bus. Parents and guardians, please remind students of this each morning. Also, we have had high incidences of students touching and hitting, which have led to altercations. We let our students know each day to keep all hands, feet, and other objects to themselves. These actions may lead to a loss of time in the classroom and possibly suspension from the school building. Again, please remind students of these expectations as we do each day at school. Lastly, it is expected that students use their time wisely and make it to each class period on time. When the tardy bell rings, students should be in their classroom and ready to be successful. We will begin implementing different strategies to help our students respect the tardy bell. Thank you for your support as we all continue to adjust to five days of instruction.

Please check today's email, our Twitter account (@Spartans_SMS), our Facebook page and our website for more important information on school events. Again, this is Matthew A. Mason, and SMS is pleased to serve our community!