# Sanford Middle School Family News



#### **December 11, 2020**



### Next week is SMS School Spirit Week!

Monday and Tuesday: Ugly sweater and silly hat theme—wear one or both!

Wednesday at home: Wear your cozy pajamas

Thursday and Friday: Put on lots of red and rock your silly socks



<u>School photos have arrived!</u> Group A and B students will be bringing them home. Fully remote learners can pick them up in the SMS office any day between 7:30 and 3:00.

### **Library News**



The library is open and waiting for you. Students can access the library from 7:10 - 7:40 any day before homeroom. Tutorial is also a great time to visit. Don't forget that you can also log into your Destiny account using your school gmail and browse books or even put them on hold so they are waiting for you when you arrive. Take advantage of all the books and resources available to you and don't get caught with nothing to read.



SHELF STABLE MEALS: Because snow days are sure to be in our future, and on some stormy days we may be able to still conduct classes remotely, we have distributed bags of non-perishable food to students during dismissal (Thursday and Friday). These are intended to be used on days when students cannot get school meals. New bags will be distributed after the first snow day.

Mask wearing has become a matter of routine at SMS, and our masks do become soiled and worn. We always have some extra masks in the office, and these can easily be washed out in a sink or during a bath or shower. We also encourage students to have an extra mask in case of soiling or tearing.



**Coming soon:** When you call the Middle School, there will be an option for all your technology questions, problems, or concerns.

Quarter 2 progress reports will be issued on December 17th.



New PVP designation in Infinite Campus: in order to better determine who is in the building, and to make parents more aware of their children's activities, we have added the PVP (Participating Virtually on an in-Person day) to the students' and school's attendance records. This allows us all to know whether those students who should be in the building are not physically here, but are nevertheless participating from another location.

NOTE: the PVP will not show up in IC until later in the day due to our staggered schedules. You may see a T or exempt, both of which mean your child was in participating in class and therefore not marked absent



## THE SMS FOOD DRIVE CONTINUES UNTIL DECEMBER 18th

Learning Communities and grade 5 are competing for the most points for food collected to help those in need. All the food brought in will be helping local families for the holidays. Anything you're able to bring in or send in will help so much! Bring in that food SMS!!

#### Points will be awarded as follows:

Pasta Sauce 2pts
Pasta and Pasta Sides 2pts
Canned Veggies 2pts
Canned Fruits 3pts
Cranberry Sauce 3pts
Gravy 3pts
Stuffing 3pts

Dessert Mix (brownies, cake etc.) 3pts
Instant Potatoes 4pts
Rice 4pts
Pie Crusts and Filling 4pts
Tuna 4pts
Peanut Butter 5pts
Cereal 5pts
Mac N Cheese 5pts
Any other food item 1 pt

If every student and staff member brought in ONE item, we'd have over 1000 food items! Let's do it!!