



# Sunset Hills Elementary School

2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR | FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



## PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Dear Sunset Hills Family,

February is filled with so many great things happening at Sunset Hills! Parent teacher conferences are the week of February 6th-10th. You should have received communication to set up a conference from your child's teacher(s). Our goal is to meet with 100% of our families. During the week of parent teacher conferences, our PTO will be running the Scholastic Book Fair. Please stop by the Book Fair when you are at Sunset Hills!

Students completed benchmarks in December and January. They have received their data and have set goals for when they take benchmark 3, which will be the week of February 27-March 3. We are only 37 school days from the start of the testing window for AASA, our state assessment. Please make sure your child is on time and at school each day. Each day counts and so much is learned in the course of a school day!

Our annual school play is right around the corner! Our students and staff have worked hard to prepare for "Newsies Jr." The performances are Thursday, 2/23 @ 7 pm; Friday, 2/24 @ 7 pm; Saturday, 2/26 @ 2 pm & Saturday, 2/26 @ 7 pm. There is a link in the newsletter to purchase tickets! Please come out and enjoy the show!

Kindergarten registration is now underway. If you have a child that turns 5 on or before August 31, 2023, you may now register online at [www.dysart.org/enrollment](http://www.dysart.org/enrollment). If you have any questions about registration you may contact our Front Office at (623) 523-8700. In addition, we will be hosting a Kindergarten Showcase event on March 21, 2023, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Please share this with anyone you may know that has a child who will be enrolling in kindergarten for the 2023-2024 school year.

Thank you for continuing to partner with us in your child's education! We know you have a choice when you decide about schools for your children. I am honored that you selected Sunset Hills Elementary, and "A" rated school!

Sincerely,  
Joey Tokhi, Principal

# Academics & Leadership

**NJHS**

Our NJHS members have been busy lately! These outstanding students have volunteered at PTO events, helped out at the food bank, started reading groups with our younger bobcats, and are organizing a water donation drive.



NJHS just finished a day of community service at the Valley View Food Bank where they helped stock the shelves, and they are currently working with the same food bank to host a water drive here on our campus. The Water Drive will be from now until February 9th; and the winning classes from the following grade bands will earn a donut party: PreK-2, 3-5, and 6-8!

Our K-2 Reading Buddies have also started up. This program allows our NJHS members to come down and read with our Kinder through 2nd grade students in the mornings. Our little bobcats can't wait to see their helpers in the mornings!



Send in those cases of water from Now until February 9th!

Don't forget the winning classes will earn a donut party!

# Athletics

Tournament Games for Season 2 will start the week of 2/6

## Cross Country

The Bobcat Cross Country team has concluded its 3-month season the last week of January. There was a good turnout from 3rd- 8th grades. 3rd/ 4th graders shaved off 3-4 minutes from their mile pace, and the 7th/8th graders dominated the meets with their averaged 7-minute miles. Kudos to Ethan H., Ciana L., Bradyn G., and Morgan W. for consistently placing at the regional meets!

## Cheer

The Sunset Hills cheer team has grown so much this past season. Many of our athletes are new to the sport; and our entire team has worked to learn and improve dance and cheer skills, communicating as a team, and stunting. They have loved cheering at the games and performing at half times. We look forward to continuing to build skills and ability as we prepare for football season this spring.

## Boys Volleyball

After a lot of hard work this season our boys volleyball team has found their groove! They should be heading to the playoffs against other teams in the Northwest Valley Conference the week of 2/6!

## Girls Volleyball

The girls have been enjoying their season and working hard to push for the post season. Congratulations to our Team Captains Brooke, Avery and Danika! Thank you for your leadership on and off the court!

## Flag Football

Our boys have been on a 4 game winning streak! Come out to support our Bobcats as we try to finish strong and clench a playoff spot!



## Season 3 Sports:

Tryouts will be the week of 2/20 for Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Girls Soccer, Boys Soccer, and Cheer! Watch for more information coming home soon from next season's coaches!

# Arts

## AfterGlow

Afterglow is entering its busy fundraising season as we prepare for our Disney performance trip! We have World's Finest Chocolate bars on sale for \$1 each for the next two weeks (1/30-2/10); every choir family has at least one box to sell!

Spring Training is right around the corner, and Afterglow will have its usual place selling concessions at the Surprise Stadium every Saturday and Sunday from 2/18 through 3/25 -- all Afterglow families are expected to be a part of it! If you are a new volunteer, sign up for training using the QR code below. Then follow the next QR code to sign-up for Spring Training Games (2 Game minimum).

Rehearsals will continue weekly on 2/1 and 2/8, but we will then take a 2-week hiatus as we make final preparations for Newsies. Rehearsals will resume on 3/1.



Training Session



Spring Training Sign-Ups

## Honor Band

Sunset Hills Band program is doing amazing things this year! We have several students who were nominated to perform in the Dysart Honor Band on Friday, February 10th at Shadow Ridge High School. Congratulations to Amelie B (7th), Evan H (7th), Kaleb D (8th), Kaleo D (8th), and Bailey S (8th)! We can't wait to see you up on stage!

*It's Showtime!*

## Sunset Hills Presents: Newsies Jr.

Tickets are on sale now for our highly anticipated production of Newsies Jr.! Our cast and crew have been working hard to make this show big enough to take on the World! Make sure you Seize the opportunity and Watch What Happens when we get 100 Voices Singing on that stage!

Shows are at The Vista:

- Thursday 2/23 @ 7 pm
- Friday 2/24 @ 7 pm
- Saturday 2/25 @ 2 pm
- Saturday 2/25 @ 7 pm

Get your tickets today  
@ [shes.booktix.com](https://shes.booktix.com)

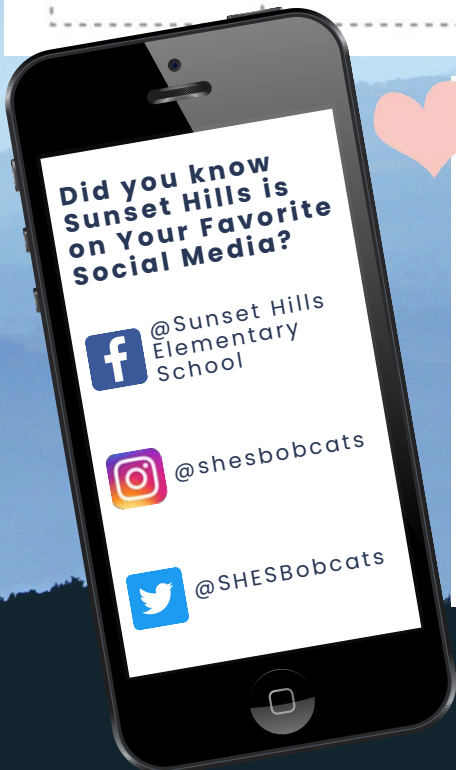


# School Happenings

FEBRUARY

2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 AfterGlow & Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30 Boys Volleyball @ 5pm at SHMS	2 NJHS Mtg @ 3:15-4:00 Flag Football @ 5pm at VVHS Girls Volleyball @ 5pm at DMS	3	4 Cross Country Meet @ 8 am at SRHS
StuCo Spirit Week 1/30-2/3						
5 PTO Kindness Grams on Sale 2/1-2/10 After School	6	7 PTO McTeacher Night @ 5-7 pm	8 AfterGlow & Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30	9 3rd Qtr Progress Reports 1 pm Dismissal	10	11 Dysart Honor Band Performance @ 2 pm @ SRHS
Conference Week / Book Fair Week / & School Supply Donation Drive 2/6-2/10						
12	13	14 StuCo - We Love Sunset Hills Day! (Wear Red, Pink &/or White) StuCo Mtg @ 3:15-4	15 PTO Fun Day After School AfterGlow & Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30	16  Spring Picture Day!	17	18
19	20 No School - President's Day	21	22 AfterGlow & Garden Club @ 3:15-4:30 Site Council @ 3:20	23	24 ROARing Student of the Month	25
Musical Production Week - Newsies Jr ShowTimes: Thu. 1/23 @ 7 pm, Fri. 1/24 @ 7 pm; Sat. 1/25 @ 2 pm & 7 pm						
26	27	28				



# PTO Updates

**PTO Kindness Grams**  
Sold After School 2/1-2/10  
for \$1 Each

Kindness Grams have room for a note and include a free Small Sonic Slush! They will be delivered to homeroom on 2/13.

**Scholastic Book Fair**  
2/6-2/10

Family Shopping Hours:

Mon 1-3 pm

Tue 3-5 pm

Wed 3-6 pm

Thu 1-3 pm

Student Shopping Hours:

Tue 8:15 am - 1 pm

Thu 8:15 am - 1 pm

Fri 8:15 am - 10 am

**School Supply  
Donation Drive**  
Feb 6 - Feb 17

PTO is collecting classroom supply donations for Sunset Hills from 2/6-2/17! Please bring them to your homeroom teacher for class credit. The homerooms with the most donations will win:

1st Place - Sonic Lunch

2nd Place - Sundae/Float Party

3rd Place - Popcorn Party

**McTeacher Night**

**Tue 2/7 5-7 pm**

Join us at the McDonald's on Bell & 303 and be served by your favorite Sunset Hills Teachers!