



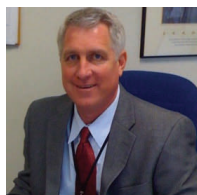
SPARTAN Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Spartans! It has been a wonderful year and certainly one of the best in my career. Sanderson is a wonderful organization and one that has consistently focused on learning for all students. It is also the time of the year where some students lose their focus on learning so we need to assure that our students stay the course until the very end. These are very busy months for any high school so please beware of events and deadlines.



Sanderson High School is participating in a year-long research project during the 2011-12 school year focused on our best practices using the clickers. We are still fourteen classroom sets short of reaching our goal. We are seeking personal and business donations. Please call the school at 881-4800 or make checks payable to Sanderson Academic Booster Club or Sanderson High School PTSA. It is very important that we meet this goal and we cannot meet this goal without your support.

We are already planning for the 2011-12 school year and we are working hard on the master schedule for student courses. Since we anticipate a very tight budget, we need you to be aware that we will have very restricted ability to honor any student's request to add and/or drop classes once a student has made their selections for the upcoming semester. We will NOT honor any elective changes once a student has made their selection. The ONLY changes that may be considered are those that impact a child's ability to graduate on time, or that deal with core classes. It is important to understand that instructional direction of the school is based on choices students make in their schedule. Due to the limited budget, funds will prevent us from offering classes that are not at capacity enrollment and therefore those classes will be dropped from our master schedule.

- Due to a limited budget, we anticipate limited staff at Sanderson over the summer to address your needs.
- We have limited summer school seats available for summer school placement. Seniors who need credits for

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Freshman Orientation

Help spread the word to our newest Sanderson Families

Summer Orientation for Rising Freshmen will be held July 26-28th.

Register on-line at: www.sandersonhs.wcpss.net

JULY 2011						
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- Take Note!**
- Interim Reports: Week of May 9
 - Thurs 5/19: Band Concert at 7:00 PM
 - Tues 5/24: Chorus Concert at 7:00 PM
 - Wed 5/25: Orchestra Concert at 7:00 PM
 - Mon 5/30: Holiday - No School
 - Sun 6/5: Baccalaureate at 3:00 PM
 - Fri 6/10: Graduation at 4:00 PM
 - Report cards mailed: Week of June 20
 - Have a Great Summer!

SHS Community Email Groups

~ Cindy Jones, SHS Moderator

Want to stay informed about activities going on at Sanderson? Join the SHS Community Yahoo Email Group!

Email messages are sent out several times a week to let you know about SHS Events, PTSA activities, ABC activities, Clubs, Sports, Band and Chorus concerts, Theater events and much more! We also let you know deadlines for SAT and ACT tests, which colleges are visiting and information about Scholarships and College Open Houses.

To join, just send an email to:
SHScommunity-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

If you have any information you'd like to include in the Yahoo email, just email submissions to: cmj61@nc.rr.com. Please submit sports information by 5pm Thursdays and community information by midnight Saturdays. If it's urgent or of special importance, I'll send it right away.

Class of 2011

We have a special Yahoo Email Group for Seniors and Senior Parents.

To join, just send an email to:
SHS_2011_Parents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
 Please indicate you are a senior or a parent of a senior.

If you have any questions about our Yahoo groups, please email cmj61@nc.rr.com.



Juniors - SHS Class of 2012 Parents Yahoo Group

In order to make planning for the class of 2012 senior events easier, we have created a new Yahoo group for parents of the class of 2012. This is an interactive group so membership is moderated.

To join the group, parents should send an email to:
SHS_2012_Parents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
 You should state you have a child in the class of 2012 at Sanderson High School.



Send Newsletter submissions to:
shsnewsletter@earthlink.net

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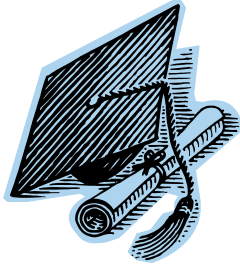
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graduation will take priority for summer school.

- Summer school registration forms can be found on-line at the Sanderson website.
- Incoming Freshman Orientation will be the morning of July 26, 27 and 28. Please register now on the Sanderson website.
- May 9 – Fourth Quarter Interims come home.
- May 20 - Sanderson End of the Year Awards Day
- May 20 – Any senior who has received any college scholarship and wishes to be recognized at senior awards day must complete the proper form and turn it into Ms. Jackson by 3:00PM. Anyone who turns in their paper after this time frame will not be recognized at Senior Awards Day.
- May 23 -24 – Appeals for Senior Exam Exemptions. Any senior who wishes for Dr. Decker to review his/her records to be considered for exam exemptions must complete all paperwork by 3:00PM on May 24. All late submissions will result in automatic denial of any and all exemptions.
- May 27 - Senior Awards Day/Senior Picnic – 9:30AM – 2:00PM.
- SENIORS WHO HAVE REQUESTED EXTRA TICKETS THROUGH MS. LOW WILL RECEIVE THEIR EXTRA TICKETS AT THE SENIOR PICNIC.
- June 10 @ 4:00PM - Graduation will be conducted at the Raleigh Convention Center. Graduates are expected to show up at least an hour ahead of time.

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*In honor of the
Jesse O. Sanderson High School Class of 2011
Seniors, their families and friends
are cordially invited
to an interfaith
Baccalaureate Service
Sponsored by Senior parents
Sunday, June 5, 2011
3:00 p.m.
Trinity Baptist Church Sanctuary
4815 Six Forks Road
Raleigh, North Carolina*

*Reception to follow in church fellowship hall.
Participating Seniors are asked to arrive in cap and gown by 2:15 p.m.*

Sanderson Teen Becomes Tourette Syndrome Youth Ambassador

Washington D.C. - The National Tourette Syndrome Association, Inc. (TSA) hosted its fourth annual Tourette Syndrome (TS) Youth Ambassador Training Program March 29 -31. After submitting an application and essay regarding her intent and motivation to become a TS Youth Ambassador, Sanderson Freshman, **Alyssa GuiYing Domres**, was selected as the North Carolina delegate to participate in this elite training.

Alyssa is now prepared to educate her peers and younger children by going into classrooms, schools and clubs to teach understanding, sensitivity and tolerance of TS and its symptoms, while dispelling the myths and stereotypes often associated with this misunderstood and misdiagnosed disorder. Another function of her role is to meet with politicians, appear in the media, and assist with fundraising and public awareness-raising campaigns. Alyssa was accompanied by her mother, Deanna Boone-Domres, who participated in training as part of the youth/parent team.

Diagnosed with Tourette Syndrome at the age of 6, Alyssa lives with the medical and educational challenges that many kids with TS have. She states: "This conference helped build my confidence. I'm excited to start presenting to kids in schools and clubs, and hope more people will better understand TS. I hope I can also show other kids who have a disability or disorder that they, too, can become advocates. We can all be educators in some way."

In addition to the comprehensive training, Alyssa participated in a "Trip to the Hill" during which she met with her elected officials on Capitol Hill to inform them about how TS affects those living in our communities and talk about TS-related issues on which they may have to vote. Alyssa had the opportunity to speak directly with Rep. Brad Miller, Sen. Kay Hagan and staff, and health legislative aides from Sen. Richard Burr's office.

Marked by involuntary movements and vocalizations called tics, Tourette Syndrome is an inherited neurobiological condition frequently misunderstood and misdiagnosed, affecting more than 200,000 Americans, with hundreds of thousands more around the world. TS, for which there is no cure, occurs in all ethnic groups.

Founded in 1972 and the only national, voluntary health organization for people with TS, the TSA has a three-pronged mission of education, research and service and directs a network of 32 Chapters and more than 133 support groups across the country. If you need more information about TS, call 1-888-4-TOURET, visit <http://tsa-usa.org>, or contact Deanna Domres, leader of the Greater Raleigh-Triangle Area TSA-affiliated support group, via e-mail dbdomres@bellsouth.net.



*Alyssa Domres with
Rep. Brad Miller*

Sanderson Cadets Earn Distinguished Unit Award

~ Col. Bob Penny, Senior Aerospace Science Instructor

Cadets Earn Distinguished Unit Award for 9th Consecutive Year

The Sanderson H.S. Air Force JROTC corps of cadets were selected to receive the 2010-2011 Air Force Junior ROTC Distinguished Unit Award. Sanderson's cadets have won the distinguished unit award every year since it was created nine years ago. This award recognizes AFJROTC units that have performed above and beyond normal expectations and have distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their school and community while meeting the AFJROTC mission of **developing citizens of character dedicated to serving their nation and community**. The objectives of the Junior ROTC program are to educate and train high school cadets in citizenship and life skills; promote community service; instill responsibility, character, and self-discipline through character education; and to provide instruction in air and space fundamentals. This award is based on the accomplishment of Cadet Goals established at the beginning of the school year. The following shows how the cadets did in accomplishing their goals:

2010-2011 Cadet Corps' Goals and Impact

1. **Cadet Goal** - Corps achieve an average GPA of 3.0 or higher with at least 10 in National Honor Society and 15 in Kitty Hawk Air Society

Impact Description - Outstanding results - 52% of the corps have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and the average GPA for all cadets is 2.92. Eleven cadets are in NHS and 16 are in Kitty Hawk Air Society. Academic reputation of corps continues to keep our seats filled

2. **Cadet Goal** - 100% seniors graduate on time, get accepted to college (with at least 2 ROTC scholarships), enlist, or get a full-time job

Impact Description - All 29 seniors are on track to graduate in May. 22 have been accepted to 50 colleges/universities. Two ROTC scholarship have been earned as well as 15 academic scholarships totaling \$700,000--so far

3. **School Goal** - Increase unit enrollment to 170 or above with at least 70 freshmen cadets entering the corps

Impact Description - Set a new record--202 cadets started the year with 80 new cadets: 75 freshmen and 5

upperclassmen. 191 will complete courses through May. Largest class of seniors ever with 28

4. **School Goal** - 75% of corps participate in school-wide service clubs, student organizations, and Varsity/JV sports

Impact Description - 78.5% of our corps (150 cadets) participates in 286 school extracurricular activities from varsity sports to foreign language clubs. 70 cadets are on our competitive drill team. Cadet influence is strong in the life of our school

5. **Community Goal** - Increase participation in community service to 120 cadets, service hours performed to 2500, fund-raising hours to 1000, and sponsor another drill meet

Impact Description - Cadets are on track to exceed community service hours and have exceeded fund raising hours. Cadets earned over \$16,000 for the Booster Club. Cadets conducted our third drill meet on 26 March 2011 with fifteen units participating. 138 cadets volunteered in community service activities including teaching a SAT course, color guards for eight NC High School Athletic Association state championship events, two Adopt-A-Highways, an NC State Fair color guard, the Raleigh Veterans' Day parade, guides for school parent/student orientations, plus color guards for civic group conference meetings. Cadets are well known and respected throughout Wake County

6. **Community Goal** - Publish articles about cadets in 100% of the PTSA Newsletters, 75% of the school's newspapers, and in one state or national newspaper or publication

Impact Description - Articles in every PTSA Newsletter, many school newspapers, the Raleigh News and Observer, featured for 1/2 hour on a local talk radio show, and feature story on the WCPSS web page. Cadets are in the news with successes and accomplishments



Drill Team Earns First Place

The Sanderson HS AFJROTC Drill Team earned First Place Overall on Saturday, 5 March, at the 16th Annual Panther Invitational Drill Meet held at Northside High School in Pinetown, NC. The cadets earned five 1st place trophies and two 3rd place trophies in the thirteen events entered. This is the sixth consecutive year Sanderson's cadets have finished in one of the top two positions at the Panther Invitational Drill Meet. Cadet/Lt. Col. Alora Santos is the Drill Team Commander and Cadet/Major William Tucker is the Drill Team Deputy Commander.



Cadets Visit Kennedy Space Center

Forty cadets, TSgt. Croom, and chaperones spent 7 through 10 April on the corps' Curriculum-In-Action trip to Florida. Cadets visited Kennedy Space Center and received tours of the Shuttle, launch pads, museum, and other significant sites in Titusville, Florida. The cadets also visited Kissimmee, Florida and spent time experiencing "G-Forces" in the many parks at Disney World.



Second Semester Freshmen Cadets to Visit Airborne & Special Operations Museum

The 2nd Term Freshmen will visit Fayetteville, NC with TSgt. Croom on 17 May to visit the Airborne & Special Operations Museum. They will see how men and women in the Army and Air Force work together performing the airborne mission. Cadets will experience airborne operations from WW II to Operation Desert Storm. They will also experience an action-packed ride on the motion simulator seeing and feel the challenges airborne and special ops troops face every day like freefalling from 10,000 feet and flying nap-of-the-earth on the skids of an AH-6 helicopter.



2011 AFJROTC Military Ball

The annual NC-939 AFJROTC Military Ball was held Friday night, 6 May, at the Wake County Shrine Club on Lead Mine Rd. in North Raleigh. This event celebrated the outstanding work accomplished by the corps and by individual cadets during the 2010 – 2011 school year. Over 200 cadets, parents, and guests attended the event. This year's guest speaker was Brigadier General (US Army, Retired) Anthony Tata, the Wake County School Superintendent.

Spartans of Excellence

~ Mary Ellen Taylor

The Academic Booster Club is pleased to announce the students who have been chosen by their teachers as Spartans of Excellence.

This award recognizes students who have demonstrated exceptional behavior within the academic setting of SHS.

Congratulations to the second semester honorees:

Darek Alexiou	Mary Carmen Hernandez Ortiz
Dahlia Alharoon	Jaleel Hill
Breanna Allen	Ebahi Ikharo
Samuel Almodovar	Octavia Jones
Julio Alvarado	Elizabeth Kimley
Marie Bangura	Laura Kutner
Nicholas Barnett	Khairee Lewis
Michael Barrell	Elijah Marcano
Armah Bates	Arriana McLymore
Claire Bennett	Liana Medina Molina
Rebecca Blakeslee	Rosemary Mendoza Rodriguez
Vadym Bondarenko	Jacob Muli
Seth Richmond Boye	Lili Nunez Mendoza
Cheyla Brandon	Michael Olsen
Neil Brayman	Aaron Parker
Cindi Castro Adriano	Evan Parker
Johana Castro Adriano	Elaina Paygar
Grace Cochran	Kaitlyn Powell
Sofia Cuevas	Philip Price
Ha Me Dar	Marilee Protonentis
Visar Dauti	Stephen Riley
Deontae Davis	Christopher Michael Robertson
Deena Dieckhaus	Dianelene Rodriguez
Jacqueline DiGirolamo	Yvonna Rodriguez
Megan Dionne	Jordan Romero
Shane Dittmar	Katriel Scott
Daniqua Dye	Diana Sepulveda Matos
James Embree	Landon Simmons
Derek Ellison	AJ Smith
Tia Evans	Alex Smith
Sarah Faller	Kayla Smith
Rebecca Fineco	Mattina Smith
Deven Futrell	Christian Snyder
Brenda Garza	JR Soto
Daniqua Silvia Gathogo	Sean Stephens
Courtney George	Nicholas Stutts
Ofelia Gonzales	Taylor Tharrington
Steven Green	Mary Thuma
Destiny Harris	Jasmine Wade
Otis "Tyler" Harris	Morris "Lee" Wilks
Katherine Hayes	

Student Council

~Jocelyn Bradford

Congratulations to Sanderson's student council for receiving **two** prestigious awards during March.

Sanderson was named a **Louise Hunter Honor Council** at the 85th annual State Convention hosted by Terry Sanford High School. The award and the convention are sponsored by the North Carolina Association of Student Councils (NCASC). Sanderson was **one of only 24 schools in the state** to receive this honor. Sanderson's council has received this state honor every year since the 2001-2002 school year.

Sanderson's council also received national recognition by being named a **National Gold Council of Excellence** sponsored by the National Association of Student Councils (NASC). Sanderson received this honor based on its exemplary record of leadership, service, and activities that serve to improve the school and community. Sanderson is **one of only 144 schools nationwide** to receive this. Sanderson has received this national recognition since the 2006-2007 school year.

Way to go SHS student council!

NCTSA Conference Results

~ Roland Green

On April 3- 5th Sanderson's Technology Student Association members competed in Greensboro and placed:

Architectural Model – 2nd place
Maddie McMillian, Caleb Goodin, and Nicole Colasurdo

Fashion Design – 2nd place
Maddie McMillian and Christianna Strom

On Demand Video – 3rd place
Alexa Colasurdo, Tyler Harris, Julia Meder, Sam Regalado, Ana Serrano, Nicole Colasurdo, Craig Stewart, Jackie Litz, and Christian Snyder

These students are now able to compete at the National Conference in Texas, this June.

Congratulations!

Extra Effort Awards

~Traci Claiborne

On April 5, 2011, the **Sanderson High School Business Alliance** recognized **Daeshawn Holley, Paschal Ogbedeagu** and **Brenda Garza** with the “**Extra Effort Award**” for their hard work and perseverance during the 1st semester. Each student overcame academic challenges to advance personally and professionally in their high school careers. Students received a bag with various gifts to include Sanderson gear, a computer flash drive and a plaque with their name and award details inscribed. This is the second year the award has been given.

If you want more information about the business alliance, contact Traci Claiborne, the Career Development Coordinator, at tclaiborne@wcpss.net.

Exam Schedule

Last day for quizzes/tests	Wednesday 6/1/2011	Normal Schedule
Review Day *All 9th Grade Paideia Civics and Economics EOCs will be administered during 1st and 2nd Period in the cafeteria	Thursday 6/2/11	Normal Schedule
4th Period Exam	Friday 6/3/11	8:05 – 12:05: 4th Period Exam 12:05 – 12:20: Bag lunch pick-up 12:20: Buses depart SHS
3rd Period Exam	Monday 6/6/11	8:05 – 12:05: 3rd Period Exam 12:05 – 12:20: Bag lunch pick-up 12:20: Buses depart SHS 1:00: 4th Period Make-ups/ Retests
2nd Period Exam	Tuesday 6/7/11	8:05 – 12:05: 2nd Period Exam 12:05 – 12:20: Bag lunch pick-up 12:20: Buses depart SHS 1:00: 3rd Period Make-ups/ Retests
1st Period Exam	Wednesday 6/8/11	8:05 – 12:05: 1st Period Exam 12:05 – 12:20: Bag lunch pick-up 12:20: Buses depart SHS 1:00: 2nd Period Make-ups/ Retests
Make-up and Retest Day Senior Portfolio Reviews	Thursday 6/9/11	8:05 – 12:05: 1st Period Make- ups/ Retests Portfolios TBA
Make-up and Retest Day Senior Portfolio Reviews	Friday 6/10/2011	8:05-12:05: Make-ups/Retests

- The 9th Grade Paideia **English EOCs** (Bradford/Carle) will be administered during the scheduled 2nd and 3rd period exam periods. Review day for this exam will be on 6/1/11.
- The 10th Grade Paideia exam **will be a joint exam** (English/Hart and World History/Larsen) to be administered during the scheduled 2nd period exam period.
- All make-ups and retests will be determined by each department with assistance from the testing office.

Proctors Still Needed on All Exam Days. If you can proctor on any of the exam dates, please contact Cindi Crabtree at ccrabtree@wcpss.net or call 919-881-5004. Proctor Training will be given the morning of the exam. Please arrive at 7:15 to sign in and report to the Media Center for training. If you haven't registered as a WCPSS volunteer yet, please register at any Wake County School on Mondays between now and the exams.

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Class of 2011

- May 27 - Senior Awards Day/
Senior Picnic – 9:30AM – 2:00PM.
- June 5 - Baccalaureate Service -
Trinity Baptist Church - 3:00 PM
- June 6 - Mandatory Graduation
Rehearsal - Raleigh Convention
Center - 4:45 PM
- June 10 - Graduation - Raleigh
Convention Center at 4:00 PM

**Congratulations
Graduates!**

Or Current Resident

Summer Reading Program for Teens

~ Laura Robinson, Wake County Public Libraries

The Duraleigh Road Community Library is proud to present its Summer Reading Program plan, “You Are Here!” There will be four week-long, passive programs as well as four program event nights. Teens will be able to earn book bucks throughout the summer (which can be redeemed for prizes) by reading & attending events. Our events are listed below.



Please contact Laura Robinson (laura.robinson@wakegov.com or 919-881-1344) with any questions.

Date	Event Type	Name of Event
June 23-29	Week-long passive program	Make Your Summer Passport
June 30	Program event night (6:00-7:30 PM)	Alice in Wonderland Event
July 7-13	Week-long passive program	Dot Art (Australia)
July 14	Program event night (6:00-7:30 PM)	Bastille Day Celebration (France)
July 21-27	Week-long passive program	Dia de los Muertos Stones (Mexico)
July 28	Program event night (6:00-7:30 PM)	Transylvania Program (vampire world)
August 4-10	Week-long passive program	Star Wars Comic Book Coasters
August 11	Program event night (6:00-7:30 PM)	Tanabata Celebration (Japan)