

SHERMAN COUNTY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Year-End Edition Note

The 2019 school year has come to a close and this year's senior class will be exiting our halls forever in their role as students. Their legacy of accomplishments and character, however, will linger for years to come, as evident in the Academic and Athletic Award banquet of Tuesday, May 28.

The picture at bottom not only displays the Boy's Track and Field third-place trophy (upper right) but also the second-place district placing earned by the volleyball, boys' basketball, and girl's tennis teams during the 2018-19 year.

In wrapping up the final month of any school year, there occurs a host of events too large for our normal 8-page newsletter format. To accommodate the additional coverage, this month's newsletter has been expanded to 12-pages. Table of contents can be viewed below.

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Boy's Track Team Finishes 3rd at State

Photo Courtesy of Ray Rodriguez



Superintendent Reflection Mr. Wes Owens

A productive 2018-19 school year is drawing to a close at Sherman County School. Before we launch into summer break, I would like to thank our entire Sherman County School Community for the many contributions in making this year successful. I want to express my sincere gratitude to the parents, guardians, volunteers, coaches, board members, PTO, Booster Club, businesses, faith organizations, community agencies/departments, foundations, trusts, community members, and all of those who support our wonderful students and school! It is this positive support that plays such a vital part in assisting all of our students in enjoying their educational experiences.

To our amazing certified and classified staff members...I want to recognize each of you for the dedication, talent, energy, and care you bring to your work. Together, we are making a visible difference for our students, families, and community. I deeply value all of your collective efforts and commitment as you put student success first.

To the Class of 2019...You are a class of many talents. You have all contributed to the continued excellence in academics, activities, athletics, and community service at Sherman High School. You have all it takes to be successful and make a positive difference in this world. I am confident that you will accomplish much in the years ahead in college, military, and the workplace as you continue to make us proud that you were once a part of the Sherman County community. Please know that all of us at Sherman County School wish you the very best in your future endeavors. Congratulations! To the entire Sherman County School Community...Enjoy the summer with family and friends, and stay safe. All of us at Sherman County School look forward to a productive 2019-20 school year.

Sincerely,

More pictures and results of State track and field participants on page 8.

Mr. Husky Returns

Photos by Nick R.



The Mr. Husky competition is a pageant to display the wit, creativity, coordination, and thoughtfulness of the seniors (preferably, but whoever volunteers ultimately) to be held annually in the spring of the year. This year's contestants are seen above performing their group-dance finale (back, l-r) Gavenn L and Luke M and (front, l-r) Caleb F and Jed H. Each contestant is supported by a female manager, above right. This year's managers are seen in their group-dance finale: top (l-r) Gaby R and Maddi B; on floor (l-r), CJ J and Desiree W.

With the ASB bringing back the Mr. Husky competition from its one-year hiatus, it was assured that April went out with a bang! This variety-show package – slash - contest was conducted Tuesday evening, April 30th, in the Cafeteria. This event dates back to the early 2000's as a means of promoting a maximum amount of fun while still celebrating the contributions the community has made in the lives of its senior class and to that which the seniors have, and will, give back to the community. Through a variety of talent demonstrations and challenging questions, the contestants are evaluated by a judging panel and by the audience contributing money in support of their preferred candidate. The winner and all runners up are awarded the money raised in the form of a scholarship in support of their post-secondary educational goals

The contestants this year included seniors Gavenn L, Caleb F, and Luke M along with sophomore Jed H. Gavenn, with guitar at left, makes his pageant entry. Jed, at far right, performs his talent of rapping Dr. Seuss. Below (l-r), Caleb performs his talent of rain dancing; Luke's talent was a lip-sync and impersonation of Frank Sinatra; and, the bucket-hat crown eventually went to Luke.

Congratulations to all!



FFA: Sad Goodbyes for the Graduates; Welcome in New Officers



While there were still competitions and a Fair to plan and work toward, the year-end FFA banquet was held Thursday, May 9, to celebrate chapter-group and individual achievements and to install the new set of officers for the 2019-2020 year.

One of the most important recognitions of the evening involved recognizing the contribution of the departing seniors pictured in the picture above: (l-r) Caleb F, Gaby R, CJ J, Isaak M, Savannah M, Luke M and Desiree W.

Isaak M, at top right, delivered his VP farewell and was recognized for earning his State Degree.

Patrick R, at right, was recognized as the incoming chapter president and received his Chapter Degree silver pin.

Graduating president, Savannah M, was recognized as the DeKalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award winner for the Sherman Chapter.

Below, the incoming officers are seen in their participation in the FFA Leadership conference and Creed competition at Suttle Lake, Oregon, in late April. Pictured (l-r): Darian D, incoming Sentinel; Aurora B, Reporter; Jed H, vice-president; Patrick R; Cali J, incoming Secretary; and, Joseph R, Treasurer.

At the Conference, the Chapter placed Third in Rituals, while Jed was named top VP, Darian top Sentinel, and Joseph top Treasurer.

On Wednesday, May 29, twelve chapter members traveled to Redmond for the District Shop Skills competition. Luke M finished his final FFA event with a first place in advanced Ag Math, while Cali J won the Wood Shop competition. Joseph R finished second in beginning Ag Math and Gill W placed third in electrical wiring.

Now it is off to the summer months to get those animals ready for Fair!



Photos courtesy of FFA/Media Staff

Academic Recognitions Photos by Jacob W, Will J or courtesy of Ray Rodriguez

For the first time, SCS attempted a single combined all-year Academic and Athletic Awards recognition banquet. It was held in the Event Center at table settings and using the stage and background decorations already prepped for the 2019 graduation ceremony. The academic award highlights are illustrated here.

Each teacher whether representing a single discipline of instruction or a combination established a set of awards, the criteria for each award, and selected the students who best met those standards for each.

Above right are the award winners that opened the ceremony. Those given by Mr. S established for the Ag. Department and

finance courses he taught: (l-r) Clayton R, Christian D, Darian D, Savannah M, Cali J, Gill W, and Luke M, who was also recognized as the Most Outstanding Student in the English Department. Darian D also earned Most Outstanding English 11 Student.

Below left are the Band award winners: (l-r) Emma W, Marcus H, Koby B, Jonathan B, Morgan L, Emma R, Isaac A, Catherine R, and Christian D. Emma R also earned Most Outstanding English 9 Student.

Below Right are the students recognized by Mrs. V for Art, Math or Leadership: Gaby R and Savannah M each end, respectively, received leadership awards; while in the middle (l-r), Marcus H and Catherine R received recognition for their applied math skills or inquiry; finally, one person in at each end (l-r), Tyler J and CJ J received recognition for their artistic craftsmanship and creativity, respectively.

On Scholarship Recognition Awards night, Thursday, May 30th, it was announced that CJ J earned the 2019 Salutatorian honor and Luke M the Valedictorian honor. Luke has also been awarded over \$80 thousand in potential scholarships to attend Gonzaga University.



At right, this year's Student Council was Recognized for their contributions throughout the year.

(L-R) Savannah M, Senior Pres.; Jed H, Sophomore Pres; Luke M, Vice- Pres; Isaak M, Secretary; Desiree W, Pres; Emma W, Pep Band Rep; Alyssa H, Junior Pres.; CJ J, Ad. Manager and PBIS Student Rep; Cali J, Freshman Pres.; and Jordan B, Treasurer.



Athletic Recognitions

Photos by Jacob W, Will J or courtesy of Ray Rodriguez

The individual and groups on this page represent a sampling of the awards received by the student athletes of SCS in the second half of the Academic and Athletics Awards Banquet. At immediate right, Desiree W receives the Susi, Don and Ron Thompson Memorial Scholarship Award, while at far right are the recipients of the OSAA Award of Excellence which a school may award to one male and one female student-athlete. This year's SCS awardees were senior Caleb F and sophomore Mercedes C.

The immediate lower photo is just one of the two groups of students that participated in two sports this year: backrow (l-r) Will J, Patrick R, Tyler B, Owen C and Alyssa H; front row (l-r) Luke S, Emma S, Shelby R and Savannah M. There were 22 total students who participated in at least one sport this year. There were 18 students who participated in at least two sports and there were 12 that participated in all three seasons of athletic opportunity at SCS. Directly below are the three senior student-athletes awarded a certificate and embroidered messenger bag for their four years of consecutive three-sport participation: (l-r) Desiree W, Caleb F and Tyler J.

Bottom far-right, Luke M (far left) and Caleb F (far right) receive the Jerry DuBois Memorial Scholarship.

Luke was also announced as Player of the Year of Big Sky Conference basketball and First Team All-State with an invitation to participate in the State All-Star contest this summer. Keenan C earned First Team All-Conference and Honorable mention All-State in basketball along with an invitation to play in the All-Star game at the end of June in Sisters, Oregon. Caleb earned second-team All-Conference and was selected as an alternate with the possibility of participation in the State All-Star contest.

Desiree W was named to second team All-Conference and also received invitation to participate in the girl's All-Star contest.



Spring Concert

Photos and Story by Zoie S



Elementary Choirs & Bands

Above, 1st Grade choir

At right, the combined
2nd and 3rd grade
singing 'My Country Tis
of Thee' and "America
the Beautiful"



4th Grade Recorders



Beginning Band II 6th -Grade



Intermediate and High School Bands



April showers bring May showers, right? Well, this May brought us a shower of musical talent, at the spring concert on May 2nd. The last concert of the year very much seemed to impress the crowd, with parents and families of students all ages clapping along to the sweet tunes brought to us.

The evening began with Kindergarten, who sang *I'm a Little Teapot* by Anonymous, and *Puff the Magic Dragon* by Peter Yarrow; followed by 1st grade who sang *You Are My Sunshine* by Jimmie Davis and Charles Mitchell, and *Kookaburra Bird Song* by Marion Sinclair.

2nd grade came rolling in with the songs *Achy-Breaky Heart* by Billy Ray Cyrus, *My Country 'Tis of Thee* by Arne, and *America the Beautiful* by Samuel Ward, both of which were sung with the 3rd grade. Following those two songs, 2nd grade left the stage so 3rd grade could sing *Sweet Home Alabama* by Lynyrd Skynyrd.

Moving up a level, 4th graders played for us a varied selection of songs on their recorders. This was followed by the Beginning Band I of 5th graders, who also played a varied selection of songs, who then gave way for the beginning band of 6th graders of Beginning Band II who played *Star Wars* by Williams.

Next, the school's intermediate band of 7th-8th grade, who played *Sugar Creek Saga* by James Curnow and *America the Beautiful* by Samuel Ward. The High School Concert Band, with students from freshman year, to junior year, sadly without seniors this semester, played *Above and Beyond* by Swearingen, *Fire Dance* by Shaffer, and *Bohemian Rhapsody* by Freddie Mercury. All of this was directed and conducted by Mr. John G.

Those in attendance generally lauded the quality of the production, especially the Concert Band's rendition of Queen's iconic *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

The pictures across the top row above show the Intermediate band performing, while the second row across shows the Concert Band performing.

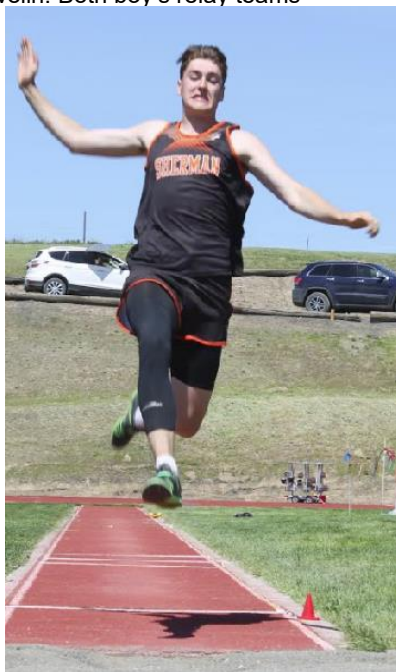
Emma W, playing trumpet at far left in picture at left above; Christian D, next to her; Catherine R, playing flute at far right above; and, Rose C, next to her playing clarinet, were all recipients of awards in musicianship for the year.

Spring Sports End With Several State Performances

TRACK N FIELD Photos by Jacob W

Under very warm and sunny skies, the Huskies not only hosted the District Track and Field Tournament, but they also earned several high placements and sent 13 competitors or alternates to the State Meet. Once there, the boy's side came away with a third-place finish and trophy. High scores at State were earned by Owen C, below left, who won the state title in the Triple Jump and placed second in the Long Jump. Senior Luke M, ifar-left in photo at right, finished second in the High Jump and fourth in the 400 meters. His teammates at his right are the State 4 X 400 relay team of Jeremy B, Jed H and Gill W. Luke also participated on the 4 X 100 team, shown at the District meet in the second row at right, (l-r) Jeremy B, Owen C, Luke and Keenan C. Another senior, Tyler J, far-bottom left, earned third place in the Javelin. Both boy's relay teams earned state births and finished 5th in the 4 X 100 and 9th in the 4 X 400, where finishing differences were decided by just split seconds.

The photo third down at right shows Keenan jumping at the District Meet. He qualified for State in the Long and Triple jumps.



At right are the State qualifiers: Front (l-r) Gill W, 4 X 400; Melanie P, triple jump; Desiree W, pole vault; Mercedes C, high jump a; Austin O, alternate relay teams; Back (l-r) Tyler B, alternate relay teams, Jeremy B, both relay teams, Jed H, 4 X 400, Owen C, relay, long and triple jumps, Joseph R, alternate relays, Luke M, high jump, 400, relays; Tyler J, javelin and discus, and Keenan C, 100 relay, long and triple jumps.

TENNIS

Photos Courtesy of Jeremy Lanthorn/Media Staff



Three senior Lady Huskies finished off their careers in impressive style surviving two long weekends in Kennewick, WA, playing through sub-district and district tournaments. Singles competitor, Savannah M, pictured at left was the lone 1A player to make the state tournament and was reported to have played “the match of her life” in her final court appearance as a Husky. The doubles team of Gaby R and CJ J, pictured above (l-r), were also the only 1A doubles team to achieve a State Tourney birth. As the only 1A players to make it to State, Gabe likes to point out (in jest, of course) that it sort of makes them 1A State Champs.

The 2019 squad pictured below included, front (l-r) Gaby R, Cali J, Aurora B, Jordan B, Valeria A, and CJ J; back (l-r) Coach V, Savannah M, Trenton M, Caleb F, Jonathan B,



BASEBALL Photos by Staff or Courtesy of Mrs. Fields

So, so close. The baseball team struggled through the final stretch of their season just missing out on a State playoff opportunity by just a single game. It was so close actually that it came down to four losses by one-run each when they held a lead going into the final inning.

Leading the team from Sherman were honorable all-league catcher Luke S, pictured at bottom, and second-team pitcher Wade F, pictured at right.

Middle row (l-r) Patrick R begins his base-running lead off of first base, while Will J, who earned the Most Inspirational award, sports the black eye he received from not quite paying enough attention to what Dillan S was up to.



Record for May

May 5: v, Heppner/lone

W, 12-12

W, 19-8

May 7 @Dufur

W, 6-4

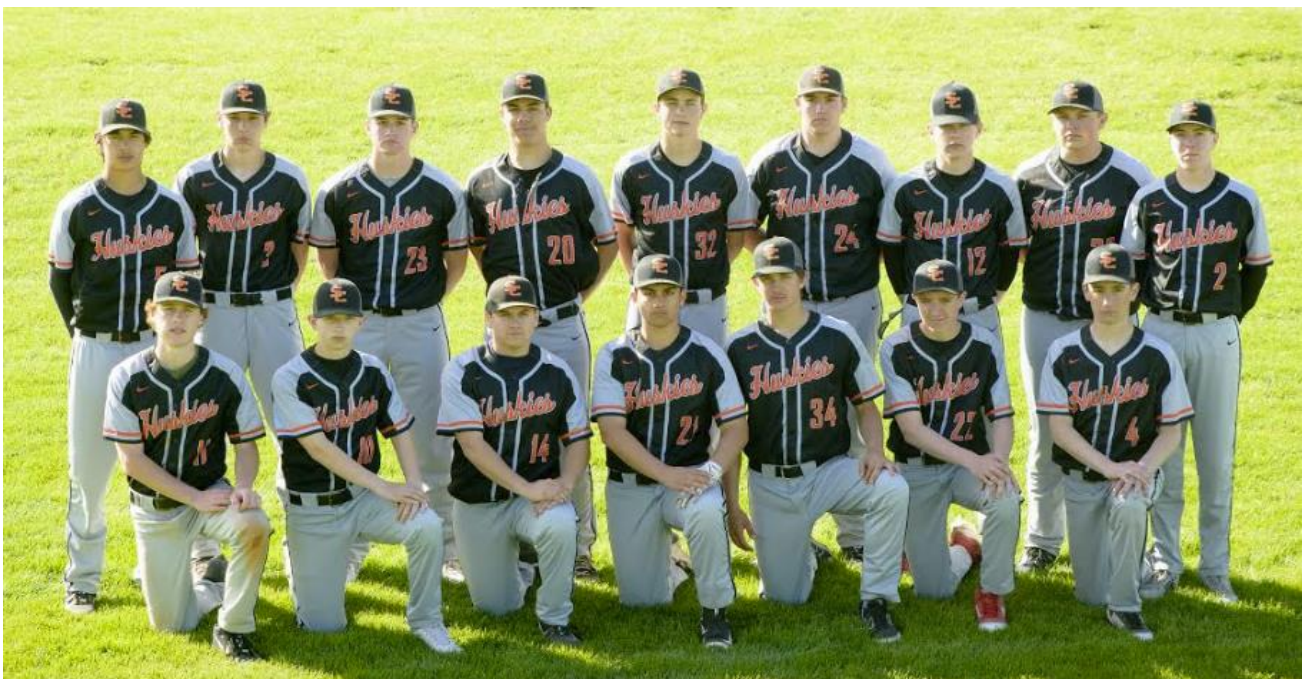
May 10 @ Athena, Weston-McEwen

L, 7-8

W, 15-14



In the team photo below, the SCS student athletes are as follows: bottom row (l-r) Luke S; then the fifth player over, number 22, Dillan S, and Patrick R; in back row (l-r) third player in, Wade F; then three over, number 24, Will J, followed in order by Clayton R and Jack W.



June to Sept. Events Calendar

June 1 – GRADUATION, 11 AM

Seniors arrive by 10:15 AM

Reception following in Cafeteria

June 4 – MS Academic and Sports Award Assembly,
2 PM, Cafeteria

Gaming Club, 3:30-5 PM

June 5 – HS ASB Elections for 2020 Year
6th Grade Promotion Speeches, Cafeteria,
1:30 – 3 PM

Gaming Club, 3³⁰-5 PM

June 7 – Full Day

K-3 Cottonwood Canyon Field Trip,
8:45-1:45

June 10 – 7-11 Finals, Periods 1-3, Special Finals
Schedule

Kindergarten 'I Can' Show

June 11 – 7-11 Finals, Periods 4, 6-7

Grades 1-5, 4th Quarter Awards, 1:45 PM,
Cafeteria

June 12 – Half Day

7-11, Final, Period 5 and Checkout
Lunch, 11:45-12

Busses Depart, 12:05 PM

June 13/14 – No Student Teacher Work Days

June 14-16 – Sherman Invitational Basketball Tourney

June 17 – School Board Meeting, SCS Library
Program Room, 7 PM

June 19 – Gym Floor Resurfacing Begins; No Gym
Availability through first of July

July 9 - School Board Meeting, SCS Library Program
Room, 7 PM

July 22-24 – OSU 4H Kids Food Science Baking
Daycamp

Aug 5-9 – OSU 4H Kids Drama Day Camp

Aug 16 – Synergy Teacher Gradebook Training

Aug 27 – Teacher Report Back, Work Day

Aug 28 – Professional Development

Aug 29 – Teacher Work Day

Sept 2 – No School, Labor Day

Sept 3 – First Day of School 2019-2020 Year

Sept 9 - School Board Meeting, SCS Library Program
Room, 7 PM

Sept 12 – Picture Day

SCS Spelling-Bee

Photos by Cali J



The second annual (at least in its modern version) school-wide Spelling Bee occurred on Tuesday, May 21, covering three divisions: elementary (through 5th grade), middle school, and high school. In maintaining the official style, students are given a word, a sentence, and the word repeated. Students must say the word, spell the word correctly, and repeat the word to score as correct. Words drawing groans from contestants and audience alike included tarantula, peony, silhouette, ridiculous and cologne.

Above are contestants as they are shown competing at the Div. 1 level, with the empty seats showing there had been some eliminations already.

At right are the division winners: (l-r) Div. 3, Emma R, Freshman; Div. 1, Allison R, 5th grade; and, Div. 2, Natalie M, 8th grade.



Below left, Emma (standing) spells her word as other finalist in Div. 3 wait their turns: (l-r) Desiree W, Luke M, Taylor H and Lindsey J.

Below right, Cadence S and Natalie M engage in the final showdown of the Div. 2 competition.





The result of hard work and dedication often includes tangible rewards beyond the self-satisfaction of having done the right thing. This was evident for Desiree W, at left center, signing her letter of intent to participate in Track and Field for Willamette University. Desiree ended up with the highest potential scholarship earnings of \$109,000. Sharing the moment included members of the staff at SCS. Left to right, Mr. S, Mrs. V, Coach S, Mr. C, Mrs. M, Mr. S and Mr. Z.

Final's Week Schedule

Monday, June 10

Homeroom

Per. 1 Final8:21-10:01 (note extended break)

Per. 2 Final10:21-12:01

Lunch12:01-12:46

Per. 3 Final12:50-2:30

Extended Hm Room 2:34-3:20

Tuesday, June 11

Repeats the same schedule, except the testing periods are Periods 4 and 6 in the AM and Period 7 in the PM

Wednesday, June 12 – Half Day

Homeroom

Per 5 Final8:21-10:01

Each Period 1-7, except 5 is attended for checkout time of 9 minutes

10:05-10:59

Non-classroom checkouts (Chromebook, etc.) 11:00-11:20

Office Checkout 11:20-11:45

Lunch 11:45-12, Busses 12:05

The Elementary Scoop :}

There was no formal submission from the Elementary wing to the Newsletter this month; however, you can see their participation in the Spring Concert and Spelling Bee Contest on pages 6 and 10.

MS Track 2019

Courtesy of Coach R-Smith

Thirty athletes participated in track in grades 5-8, including 25 girls and 5 boys. These athletes participated in 6 track meets, where the 5/6th and 7/8th Girls teams both had 4, 1st place team finishes, and 2, 2nd place team finishes. Over the course of the season athletes recorded personal bests 209 times -- showing improvement at almost every meet. In addition, the following school bests were set this spring.

5/6th Girls

400m Run – Myah H 1:12.19 (Broke record set by Nancy A)

800m Run – Addie S 3:18.87 (Broke record set by Desiree W)

3000m Run – Addie S 15:56.36 (new record)

1x1x2x4 Relay – Savannah B, Addie S, Nicole S, Tamika L 2:31.39

Discus – Bailey C 55'8" (Broke record set by Pyeper W)

5/6th Boys

3000m Run – Gabe F 14:53.31 (new record)

7th/8th Girls

800m Run – Natalie M 2:59.81 (Broke record set by Kiersten C)

1500m Run – Natalie M 6:25.74 (Broke record set by Desiree W)

1600m Run – Natalie M 6:43.75 (Broke record set by Jordan Barrett)

Javelin – Sophie H 90'10"

High Jump – Natalie M 4'6" (ties record set by Paige M)

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