

June  
2019

# The Southern Way

Southern York County School District



## Congratulations Warriors!

**Dr. Sandra Lemmon**

*This has been another exceptional school year for the Southern York County School District. We couldn't be more proud of our students and all of their accomplishments! Your partnership is invaluable in helping our students reach their highest potential, and we thank you for your ongoing involvement and support throughout the year. Our collaborative efforts are what make our District so very special.*

*As we reflect on the year, we celebrate our focus of not just academic learning, but also providing an environment that focuses on the wellbeing of the whole child. Our commitment is and will continue to be to ensure our students are thriving academically, socially, physically, and emotionally. As we focus on social emotional learning in our schools, we create an environment in which children and adults understand and manage emotions and feelings, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. We will continue to create a district culture which provides an equitable, supportive, and welcoming environment for all individuals to reach their potential in our schools and to be prepared when they enter the world beyond Southern York County School District.*

*We send congratulations and the best of luck to the Class of 2019! We wish our graduates ongoing success in their future endeavors and know they will continue to make us Warrior Proud!*

*I wish everyone a safe, enjoyable, and happy summer filled with wonderful memories.*

## Southern York County School District Names Top Students

### **Valedictorian Jordan Futrell**

Southern York County School District has named Jordan Futrell Valedictorian of the Class of 2019. He is the son of John and Michelle Futrell. Futrell's grade point average of 4.83 earned him the honor of being the highest ranked student in his class.

Jordan was a member of the National Honor Society and Link Crew. He was also a member of Big Buddy and the Best Buds Club. During his senior year, Jordan participated in the PULSE program through Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center.

Jordan worked at SpiriTrust Lutheran and volunteered at York Hospital.

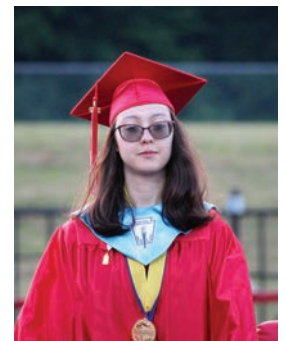


### **Salutatorian Angelica Hunt**

Southern York County School District has named Angelica Hunt Salutatorian of the Class of 2019. Hunt's grade point average of 4.74 earned her this honor. Her parents are Cletus and Zenghui Hunt.

During her years at Susquehannock, Angelica was a member of National Honor Society, Student Council, and Class Council. She was involved with Environthon, French Club, Aavidum, the Literary Magazine, and the Writing Center.

Angelica volunteered at Paul Smith Library in Shrewsbury. She received the following department awards during her time at SHS: English, Science (Physics) and Math.





Susquehannock Class of 2019 Officers:  
from left, Brianna Kaiser, Kate Cramer,  
Emily Ditt, and Julianne Cassady.

## Class of 2019

Emily Ditt .....President  
Breanna Kaiser .....Vice President  
Kate Cramer .....Secretary  
Julianne Cassady.....Treasurer

Poppy .....Class Flower  
"This is the Time" .....Class Song  
"What feels like the end is often the  
beginning." ..... Class Motto

## Senior Photos: Class of 2020

Lifetouch Photography has scheduled three days for senior photos. Pictures will be taken on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, July 9, 10, and 11, 2019, in the Susquehannock High School Richard R. Hupper Auditorium from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Students will receive information about their scheduled time on a postcard in the mail. If a student can attend the appointment, no action is needed. However, if these days are not convenient, students should call the studio in York at (717) 845-1578 immediately to schedule a photo session at a more suitable time.

Remember that students who want their photos to be included in the senior section of the yearbook are required to have their photos taken by Lifetouch, and they must be taken by mid-October to meet the publishing deadline. Men must wear a dress shirt and tie. Women must have their shoulders covered with a nice dress, blouse, or sweater unless they opt for the traditional drape. If an appropriate pose is not selected for the yearbook, one will be chosen by the advisor.

Please email Ms. Jessica Beste at [jessica.beste@syncsd.org](mailto:jessica.beste@syncsd.org) if there are questions or for more information.

## SYCSD Calendar

June 20 .....School Board Meeting,  
7:00 PM  
July 4.....Independence Day,  
Offices Closed  
August 15 .....School Board Meeting,  
7:00 PM  
August 21 ..... 1st Day of School for  
Students in Kindergarten - 9th Grade  
August 22 ..... 1st Day of School for  
Students in Grades 10th - 12th

For a full calendar of dates, please visit  
the District website at [www.syncsd.org](http://www.syncsd.org).

## Student Forms

This year, the summer mailing will include bus assignments, teacher assignments, and emergency paperwork. Students and parents should expect to receive this mailing on or around August 9, 2019. As in the past, a separate mailing will be done which will include the Free and Reduced Meal information.

The District encourages parents to take a few minutes before school begins to complete the required forms and return them with their children the first day of school. High school and middle school student schedules will be mailed by the end of July. Other student forms will be distributed on the first day of school to all students.

A printed school calendar will be distributed the first day of school. The 2019-20 calendar will also be available on the home page ('District Calendar') of the District's website and includes ongoing up-to-date District-wide information. Please note that since the printed calendar is static, daily updates are available on the website calendar. In addition, other student forms will also be available on the website prior to the first day of school ([www.syncsd.org](http://www.syncsd.org)). Look under the Quick Links: 'Student Forms & Information.'

Planning a vacation? If you are, and you need to know the school holidays and test dates, visit the District's website. This calendar lists the starting and ending dates for the 2019-20 school year as well as holidays and early dismissal days.

### BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Robert Scheffer ..... President  
James Holley..... Vice President  
Bruce Bauman..... Treasurer  
Susan Green .....Secretary  
(Non-Member)  
John Dorr Jr. .... Member  
Judi Fisher ..... Member  
Jerri Groncki ..... Member  
Ronald Groncki ..... Member  
Deborah Kalina..... Member  
Allie Waldron ..... Member  
Andrea Hebel..... Student Representative

### ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Sandra L. Lemmon ..... Superintendent  
Dr. Robert J. Bryson ..... Asst. Superintendent  
Susan Green ..... Chief Financial &  
Operations Officer

### BOARD MEETINGS

The Southern York County School District Board of Education holds meetings on the third Thursday of January through November, and the first Thursday of December, unless otherwise noted. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room of the District Administration building. Meetings are also televised live via Comcast's Cable TV Channel 99.

### CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

(717) 235-4811

Friendship Elementary.....Ext. 1901  
Shrewsbury Elementary.....Ext. 5901  
Southern Elementary .....Ext. 2901  
Southern Middle School .....Ext. 3901  
Susquehannock High School .....Ext. 4901  
Susquehannock Guidance.....Ext. 4902  
Transportation.....Ext. 7350  
Business Office .....Ext. 7278

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### MISSION STATEMENT

The Southern York County School District, through a cooperative effort with the family and community, will provide a quality learning environment that promotes character, fosters responsibility, and challenges students to achieve their potential.

Adopted by Board of Education - 6/21/01

The Southern York County School District is an equal opportunity educational institution and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or disability in any of its activities, programs, employment policies or practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, or Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the American Disabilities Act of 1990. Employees and participants who have an inquiry or complaint of harassment or discrimination, or who need information about accommodations for persons with disabilities, should contact the office of the Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Southern York County School District, P.O. Box 128, Glen Rock, PA 17327-0128 or call (717) 235-4811.

### PUBLICATION

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### WEBSITE

[www.syncsd.org](http://www.syncsd.org)

## Class of 2019 Graduates

The following Susquehannock High School seniors have graduated.

Ashton Adams	Garrett Gajewski	Christina Leblanc	Asa Smith
Meghan Adams	Jayla Galbreath	Stone Lechlinski	Edward Smith
Collin Addotta	Abigail Gallegos	Taylor Leonard	Megan Smith
Joshua Alwine	Riley Gartrell	Trevor Leuba	Gillian Smyth
Kelvin Argueta-Perez	Madison Geiple	Wayne Lippy Jr.	Gillian Snader
Toni Armwood	Kendra Gemmill	Emma Lonas	Lindsey Snyder
Mozidat Aroworowon	Avery Ghant	Anthony Maiorano	Daniel Sov
Carly Attig	Nicole Gianzanti	Cameron Martin	Miranda Spadaccino
Katlyn Baer	Aaron Gibbs	Christina McClure	Lauren Stanley
Barbara Barrett	Joshua Giesey	Taylor McCord	Samantha Stanley
Spencer Beran	Gretta Gillespie	Matthew McGillin	Sarah Stanley
Maximus Billings	Jamiel Gilmore	Samantha McGuire	Chloe Steiner
Jacob Blinke	Emily Gloeckner	Mason McQuaid	Christopher Stem
Michael Boampong	Keith Granruth	Ameena Memon	Elizabeth Stevenson
Alexis Bobby	Darien Gray	Nicole Mignano	Joellina Stewart
Annabelle Bobby	Abigail Grim	Brandon Milano	Joshua Stewart
Amanda Bober	Kaitlyn Gross	Leah Miller	Julian Stewart
Courtney Borrell	Allison Grothey	Noah Miller	Bryanna Stimmel
Emalee Bortner	Ashlee Gwinn	Elizabeth Minacci	Lily Stockbridge
Brandon Bosley	Nycole Hale	Karizvette Montanez-Rodriguez	Tucker Stoll
Camryn Brakmann	Kenna Hancock	David Muriel-Diaz	Alyssa Stranathan
Megan Brose	Nathan Harris	Matthew Mussmacher	Alaina Stromgren
Leigha Brown	Ryan Hartley	Hannah Myers	James Stroud
Anna Bryan	Joshua Hartsock	Ryan Myers	Christine Sullivan
Brandon Cain	Nicholas Heimbach Jr.	Alexander Nadobny	Benjamin Sweigard
Brody Cain	Dylan Helsel	Mary Nolan	Conner Tattersall
J Payton Carrier	Jake Hilferty	Cheyenne Nycz	Jacob Taylor
Julianne Cassady	Thomas Hoopes	Wellington Ogude Jr.	Lily Teal
Yesenia Chavez-Valdez	Ethan Horn	Danielle Palmer	Audra Thomas
Joseph Chen	Alyson Houska	Daniel Patterson	Jackson Thomas
Melissa Chesnoski	Anna Howard	Kristian Pedersen	Malikhi Thomas
Johnny Clark	Margaret Howells	William Pennewell	Ollie Timlin
Christian Collins	Rebecca Hull	Maria Phoebus	Mary Ruth Tomko
Kate Cramer	Angelica Hunt	Erik Pitones	Sabrina Trone
Anataly Cruz	Khyretha Jackson	Daniel Poole	Gabrielle Turner
Jacob Cummings	Elizabeth Johns	Austin Ranes	Kiel Vega
Edward Daacke	Griffin Kaifer	Christopher Raul	Rachel Wachter
Brittany Dao	Breanna Kaiser	Rosa Rearich	Juliana Wagner
Greyson Daviau	Samuel Kalina	Luke Rettman	Jaden Walker
Elizabeth Davis	Ashtan Kall	Brian Reynolds Jr.	Alexander Walmer
Bradley Dayberry	Julia Kelbaugh	Kenneth Rhyne	Allyson Waltemyer
Brett Dayberry	Grace Kelch	Terry Ritz Jr.	Kaitlyn Waltersdorff
Alexander Dennis	Cole Kennedy	Hayden Roberts	Megan Watkins
Emily Ditt	Matthew Keuler	Allison Rodgers	Emma Watson
Hannah Dorr	Hannah Kight	Alexa Rogari	John Watson
Moira Duffy	Anna Kirby	Eloy Rojo-Fuentes	Shane Watson
Cora Dunaja	Ryann Kitchell	Caitlyn Rowe	Andrew Weaver
Gregory Dwyer	Ashton Klotz	John Sajko	Jessica Welch
Lyndsey Eagan	Mia Kobylski	Emily Saunders	Elias Wetzel
Samantha Eicholtz	Allyson Koller	Alyssa Schaefers	Ella Wetzel
Hunter Ellington	Alexandra Krahl	Martin Schroeder	Grace Wetzel
Megan Ellis	Brandon Kraus	Rachael Scott	Evan Whipperman
Amelia Eyster	Hunter Krout	Brock See	Amber Wilhelm
Alexandra Fabie	Hunter Landis	Matthew Sharkey	Benjamin Wilson
Theresa Falzone	Kali Landis	Emily Shifflett	Madelyn Wise
Brett Flemmens	Seth Landry	Dustin Shipley	Connor Woods
Jessica Fox	Garrett Laser	Jacob Silliman	Emily Wright
Jordan Futrell	Emily Leach	Carter Slaton	Gavin Zoeltsch



# Student Transportation Information for 2019-20

Our staff is working with First Student to develop the student transportation system for the 2019-20 school year.

## Elementary Students (Kindergarten to Grade 6)

Each student has a bus stop assignment that is designated to an attendance zone at Friendship Elementary School, Southern Elementary School, or Shrewsbury Elementary School. Each student must attend the elementary school located in the attendance zone assigned to their home address. Unless we are notified otherwise, your child will retain their current bus stop assignment.

## Secondary Students (Grades 7 to 12)

Unless we are notified otherwise, all secondary students will retain their current bus stop assignment. Incoming seventh grade students will automatically be assigned to the nearest existing secondary bus stop.

## Requests to change to another existing bus stop

If you need to change the location of your child's bus stop, please notify the Student Transportation Office prior to June 28, 2019. Please note that bus stop changes for the first week of school cannot be made after August 9, 2019.

## Requests for a new bus stop

Requests for new bus stops must be submitted in writing to the Student Transportation Office prior to Friday, June 28, 2019.

## Audio and Video Policy

First Student aids the Southern York County School District in maintaining the safety of its students by obtaining video and audio recordings of all behavior on its buses. As a result, students and their parents/guardians are informed that they should not expect any conversations or behavior to be exempt from this recordation.

## All Students

Letters notifying all students of their bus assignments will be mailed on or about August 9, 2019. We are committed to providing all students with a safe and enjoyable ride to and from school. Please contact the Student Transportation Office with questions:

**Mark Rill**

**Coordinator of Student Transportation  
Southern York County School District  
P.O. Box 128 Glen Rock, PA 17327-0128  
717-235-4811, extension 7350  
mark.rill@sycsd.org**

## SRPD Announcement

*The Southern Regional Police Department would like to extend the graduating Class of 2019 best wishes.*

*We would like to remind the students that we have a zero tolerance to any under-age drinking. Be sure to make smart decisions to ensure a safe and enjoyable summer vacation.*

*"Top Students," continued from Page 1*

### **Jordan Futrell, Valedictorian**

Jordan was awarded the James C. and Carrie B. Bush Rotary Scholarship, New Freedom Lions Scholarship, and Southern York County School District Scholarship. Jordan was also selected to participate in HOBY Leadership and Keystone Boys State during his time in high school.

In his commencement speech, Jordan spoke of what staff and teachers taught him other than academics; being a good listener, empathy, passion, being a good global citizen, and having joy even on bad days. "We tend to think that all of the lessons we've learned come from the classroom setting, but in reality, the biggest lessons we've learned come from the families, friends, and teachers. They have been the ones who helped us through the toughest struggles we have faced," he said.

Futrell will attend Schreyer Honors College at Penn State University after graduation.

### **Angelica Hunt, Salutatorian**

Angelica attended Pennsylvania State University: University Park full-time her senior year of high school. Going to college a year early was a unique experience that gave her an appreciation for SHS. Hunt said, "Susquehannock prepared me for life outside of York County, taught me how to communicate, form relationships and work hard to achieve goals."

Her advice to Susquehannock students is "Don't let distance deter you from keeping connections that were years in the making. There is immense power in the friendships you've created and they will withstand time and distance if you allow them to," said Hunt.

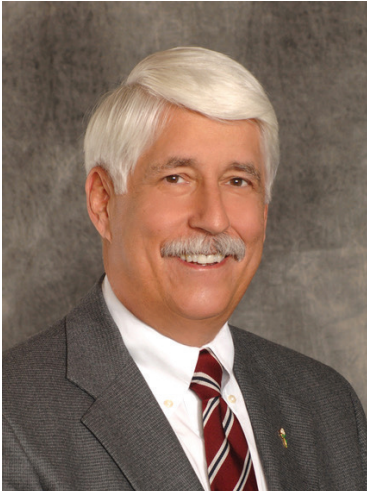
Hunt will attend Schreyer Honors College at Penn State University after graduation.



## District Summer Hours

As a cost/energy saving measure, the District will again be implementing a four-day work week for the summer. From June 10 through August 2, 2019, all Southern York County District offices will be open Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. As of August 5, 2019, all offices will be open, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until the start of the 2019-20 school year. When school is in session, office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## Loren Kroh Addressed 2019 Graduates at Commencement



The Susquehannock High School Alumni Association Steering Committee named Loren Kroh as its "Distinguished Alumni" for 2019. Kroh addressed the graduating class at commencement services and will be honored with a plaque in the High School's auditorium lobby.

Kroh encouraged the graduates to get involved in their community and be part of the solution.

"Please be engaged, make a difference. It's your world to make it a better place," he said. "Real solutions come from informed citizens who make the effort to get involved, investigate both sides of an issue, to find out what can be done to change your community for the better and then having the courage to do it," Loren added. "Be curious. Be agile. Be bold. Be engaged. Make the Warrior Nation proud."

Loren is the founder and managing member of Corvus, LLC in York, a startup that developed a system to help improve retention and success rates of post-secondary students. He credits much of his success to his Susquehannock teachers and experiences. "Staff and faculty encouraged students to broaden their experience base, get involved and understand the interrelated nature of disparate activities," he said. "This engendered a curiosity that served me well as I encountered new opportunities later in life. It also helped me realize that I didn't want to be too limited in the scope of my career choices or jobs," Loren added. He remembered an advanced English seminar in particular. "The best course I ever had anywhere - including one taught by a Noble prize laureate - was an advanced English seminar at Susquehannock. The teacher, Mr. Mensch, encouraged us to understand the broad historical context of the material and apply the principles to the present."

As a Warrior, Loren was a member of Student Council for four years and president of his senior class. He lettered in football, basketball, and track. Loren was also voted "Best All-around" in his graduating class.

After graduation, he attended Bucknell University where he majored in Economics. Loren went on to receive his Master of Business Administration from the University of Chicago.

He has worked as President / CEO of the York County Economic Alliance (Interim) and the Bradley Academy for the Visual Arts. Loren was Chairman of Academy ArtWorks and Director of the York Technical Institute.

Loren was also a former member of the Harrisburg Area Community College Board of Trustees, York County Alliance for Learning Board of Directors, and Penn State York Entrepreneurship Program Advisory Committee.

Loren has served on the board of directors as Chairman of the York County Economic Alliance (received the White Rose Achievement Award), York County Economic Development Corporation (received the Dare to be Exceptional Award), York County Chamber of Commerce (received the Education Advocate of the Year Award), Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center, and York Counts. He currently serves on the boards of Better York, Steam into History, and the Cultural Alliance of York County. Loren is the former President of the York County Economic Alliance and the Bradley Academy for the Visual Arts. He is a former member of the Harrisburg Area Community College Board of Trustees, York County Alliance for Learning Board of Directors, and Penn State York Entrepreneurship Program Advisory Committee.



*Above: Loren Kroh '64 was named Distinguished Alumni for 2019.*

## Act One Update for 2019-20

The state-funded tax relief available for Southern York County School District is \$1,059,667. This money will be distributed to all approved homestead and farmstead properties through a tax assessment exclusion on the July 1, 2019 real estate tax bills. The amount of the reduction has declined from 2008-09 when it was \$185.02, to the calculated rate of \$177.11 for 2019-20.

The July 1, 2019 real estate tax bills will show a separate line item for this reduction for properties approved as a homestead or farmstead. This money is a reduction in the tax bill, not paid as a rebate check. Please contact the District (717-235-4811, ext. 7300) with any questions.

## District Honors Susquehannock Student Athletes

The following 21 Susquehannock High School student-athletes were selected for the District III E. Jerry Brooks Academic All Star Award. To qualify for this award, students must have a minimum weighted 3.8 grade point average at the end of the first semester, possess good citizenship and sportsmanship, compete in a minimum of two different sports during their senior year, and earn at least three varsity letters.

Mary Nolan.....	Fall-Winter Cheerleading
Margaret Howells.....	Field Hockey/Lacrosse
Audra Thomas.....	Field Hockey/Girls Lacrosse Manager
Riley Gartrell.....	Football/Lacrosse
Ashtan Kall.....	Fall-Winter Cheerleading
Elias Wetzel.....	Soccer/Track
Gillian Snader.....	Fall-Winter Cheerleading
Carly Attig.....	Soccer/Basketball Manager
Allison Grothey.....	Volleyball/Basketball
Edward Daacke.....	Volleyball/Girls Volleyball Manager
Julia Kelbaugh.....	Tennis/Track
Madison Geiple.....	Volleyball/Basketball/Boys Volleyball Manager
Greyson Daviau.....	Golf/Volleyball
Abigail Grim.....	Field Hockey/Lacrosse
Spencer Beran.....	Golf/Swimming/Track
Julianne Cassady.....	Tennis/Softball/Boys Tennis Manager
Emily Ditt.....	Tennis/Boys Tennis Manager
Brandon Milano.....	Volleyball/Girls Volleyball Manager
Emily Gloeckner.....	Swimming/Football Manager
Megan Brose.....	Track/Wrestling/Wrestling Manager
Allyson Koller.....	Softball/Tennis

### Summer Sports Physicals

Summer physicals for fall sports will take place on June 10 and July 25, 2019, at the Susquehannock High School main gymnasium, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Each student-athlete needs to complete a PIAA Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation physical form, which may be downloaded from the School District's website in the Athletics section, under Physical Information. Further information may be found in the Athletics section of the website.

### Athletic Ticket Prices

**Ticket prices for the 2019-20 Susquehannock High School Athletic Events:**

#### Varsity Events

Adults .....	\$4
Students .....	\$2
Senior Citizens (62+).....	\$1

#### Junior High Events

Adults .....	\$2
Students .....	\$1
Senior Citizens (62+).....	\$1

#### Adult Season Passes

Red Card - \$30 for 10 games (25% savings)
White Card - \$55 for 20 games (30% savings)

#### Student Season Passes

Red Card - \$15 for 10 games (25% savings)
White Card - \$28 for 20 games (30% savings)