



## **SMS Sunday Message: December 15**



Good evening, Spartan Family! This is Matthew A. Mason, proud principal of Sandusky Middle School, and here are the announcements for the week of December 16 - 20. This message has been forwarded to our SMS family via email, and will also be available on our website under the Sunday Messages tab.

- We have a few sporting events this week. On Monday, December 16, our girls and boys basketball teams will play at home against Forest Middle School at 5 pm. On Wednesday, December 18, our girls and boys basketball teams will play at home against Dunbar Middle School at 4:30 pm. Also on Wednesday, December 18, our wrestling team will match away against Dunbar Middle School at 5:30 pm. Let's come out and cheer our student-athletes to victory. Go Spartans! Lastly, we want to give a big shout out to our boys basketball team for winning the Annual Calvin Buck Winter Basketball tournament this weekend, and to our girls basketball team for a great effort in the tournament. Great job, ladies and gentlemen!
- On Tuesday, December 17, the 2019 SMS Band's Winter Concert will be held at Heritage High School in the theatre. It will feature the SMS 6th Grade Beginning Band, the 7th and 8th Grade Combined Band, and the HHS Percussion Ensemble and Concert Band. Admission is free and the concert starts at 7 p.m. On top of that, numerous SMS alumni will be featured in the HHS ensembles. Also, on Thursday, December 19, our Winter Chorus Concert will be held in the SMS cafetorium from 6 - 7:30 pm. There will be an art show in the lobby from all 6th - 8th grade art classes. These students have worked extremely hard to prepare music for our enjoyment. We hope to see you there!
- On Friday, December 20, Lynchburg City Schools will operate on an early release schedule. Students will dismiss from Sandusky Middle School at

11:35 am. Lynchburg City Schools will then be closed from December 23 - January 3 for Winter Break. Schools will reopen on Monday, January 6. We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable winter break, and we will see you on January 6th!

- The SMS family would like to give a **HUGE** shout out to the nine SMS students who performed in the Heritage High School performance Scrooge the Musical. We are extremely proud of your hard work and taking full use of this opportunity. Congratulations!
- Finally, parents and students, this is just a reminder and encouragement for students to come to school every day. Consistent attendance is key in being successful in school, and also supports Sandusky Middle Schools goals of full state accreditation. If you are concerned about your child's attendance, please reach out to Mrs. Michelle Wooldridge, our attendance coordinator, at 515-5350 for support.

**Please check today's email, our Twitter account (@Spartans\_SMS), and our website for more important information on school events. Again, this is Matthew A. Mason, and SMS is pleased to serve our community!**