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# Parent Newsletter

## Slinger High School

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**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:** The high school days for the class of 2025 concluded with graduation on June 8<sup>th</sup>. We had a great ceremony, and the class of 2025 left us with quite a legacy. The program featured Honor Speakers from the class of 2025, Chase Jacklin and Kaiden Walworth. The graduation speaker was SHS Teacher of the Year, Kim Smessaert. Both the chorus and the band performed beautiful selections. It was another day where we were proud to be part of this great Slinger community.

The Class of 2025 was a talented and academically motivated class. Demonstrating the academic strength of this class, the graduates earned in excess of \$2 million in scholarship monies. While such success speaks highly of the Slinger Schools, it says much more about the graduates and their families. There is no doubt that a solid education program, conscientious students, and supportive and encouraging parents make for a winning team when educating young people for the next steps in their lives. We are indeed fortunate to have such a winning team here in Slinger. Congratulations to the class of 2025 on four great years!

I would like to thank all of the families of Slinger High School for helping us make this year a great success. We are excited to resume school in the fall as we welcome back the current students and get to know the class of 2029.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing you all again next August.

Sincerely,

*Phil Ourada*  
High School Principal

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### REGISTRATION & SCHOOL PICTURE INFO FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

**Registration/Verification will all be done online.** All verification and registration information updates along with paying school fees, yearbook orders, etc. will be done via Skyward. Each student's data/information **must be verified each year**, i.e.: address, phone, emergency contact, etc. This needs to be done electronically, like it was done last year, this process will also include our fee worksheet and other student forms. If you need assistance with your family access account, please contact our tech department by calling 262-644-9615.

**We do encourage families to pay these fees by the August 8<sup>th</sup> deadline. That will ensure your child has an activity pass on their student ID (if one is purchased).** And, unfortunately, many families forget during the course of the year to order their child a yearbook. Ordering your child's yearbook with your beginning of year school fees will save you issues later when yearbooks arrive for distribution in May.

**Please mark your calendars: Network Photography will be here on Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 8:00 pm (Freshman Open House is 6:00 – 8:00 pm), Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am – 2:30 pm in the high school Cafeteria and Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 – 11:00 am in the high school Library taking school pictures.** Students should plan on having their photo taken on August 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> if possible. Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> will be reserved for students that could not be there on the 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>. Picture order forms will be available online as we get closer.

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### STUDENT PARKING



**Please mark your calendars with this updated date! This year's parking application will go live on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6am.** Parking applications are filled out online and submitted electronically. The form is found on the Slinger High School website under the Families tab. **The first 155 seniors who applied will be able to park in the senior only parking lots.** All other applicants will park in the baseball and PAC parking lots on a first come first serve basis. Parking stickers will be available for pick up by the student or their parents on August 28 from 8:30am-10:30am in the high school cafeteria. Parking payment (\$70.00) is due at time of pick up via check (or ahead of time via online electronic payment). **If you pay for the pass online you still need to fill out the parking application otherwise your child is not registered.** Please note that parking stickers will only be given out to the student or their parents – if neither is available on the 28<sup>th</sup> the pass can be paid for and picked up on the first day of school.

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## ATHLETIC NEWS

### ATHLETIC Registration Process

**\*\* Please note that 2025-26 Athletic registration will be available in Skyward Family Access starting July 1, 2025\*\***

In order to participate in practice and competitions, three requirements must be met. You must have an up-to-date physical on file at Slinger High School, you must have the \$100 athletic fee paid, and you must have the 'SHS 2025-26 Athletic Agreements and Information' form filled out in Skyward Family Access.

1.) **Physical Exam (once every two years)** – All students participating in interscholastic athletics must have a physical form dated April 1, 2024 or later on file at Slinger High School. The form must be completed and signed by a physician **AND** a parent.

<https://www.wiaawi.org/Portals/0/PDF/Forms/PPE-form.pdf>

If you would like to check the date of the physical Slinger High School has on file, or if we have one on file, please follow these steps:

- Log into Skyward Family Access
- Click on 'Health Info'
- Next to your student's name, click on 'Display Options'
- Click on 'Show Physical Exams'

2.) **\$100 Athletic Fee** - This can be paid through our online payment service (starting July 1, 2025) or dropped off at Slinger High School after July 14, 2025. Checks can be made out to Slinger High School.

3.) **SHS 2025-26 Athletic Agreements and Information Form** - You will find this form in Skyward Family Access. It covers:

- SHS 2025-26 Athletic Selection - Choose your sports
  - Alternate Year Form
  - Co-Curricular Code
  - WIAA Rules of Eligibility
  - Concussion & Sudden Cardiac Arrest Information
  - Athletic Trainer Release Form
  - Release of Liability for Student Transportation

Remember, if a SHS student wants to participate in a WIAA sport, he/she needs to get all of the above turned in **PRIOR** to practice. **Please do not bring everything on the first day of practice! You may not be able to practice.** Contact Mrs. Henschel at 262-644-5261 x1404 or [laura.henschel@slingerschools.org](mailto:laura.henschel@slingerschools.org) to verify if all requirements have or have not been met. Students and/or parents could also stop in the main office to check eligibility status.

### Mrs. Henschel's Summer Athletic Office Hours:

Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17; 7-3

Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24; 7-3

Monday, July 28 - Friday, August 2; 7-3

Monday through Fridays in August; 7-3

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## SUMMER NEWS FROM GUIDANCE

### **Summer Hours**

The counselors will be out of their offices beginning June 12 and returning in mid-August for appointment and walk-in hours. Dates and times will be shared later this summer. If you wish to schedule an appointment with your counselor, please call the high school office after August 1.

A-G – Mrs. Gehring

H-O – Ms. Arena

P-Z – Mr. Runingen

### **Final High School Transcripts**

Seniors are reminded that they are responsible for requesting a final transcript, to be sent to the college or university they plan to attend. Official transcripts should be ordered online at <https://www.slinger.k12.wi.us/schools/high/academics/transcripts.cfm>. Most universities will not allow students to register for classes until the final transcript is received.

### **Class of 2026**

If you opted in to participate in Wisconsin Direct Admit, students should be receiving their acceptance letters in late July. If you did not receive an acceptance letter from the college you hope to attend, we recommend setting up an appointment with your counselor to discuss the next steps. If you did not opt in to participate in Wisconsin Direct Admit or are wishing to apply to the University of Wisconsin Madison, La Crosse or Eau Claire, private college or any out of state colleges, they will begin accepting applications on August 1st. If you plan to get started early, you can access your unofficial transcripts in your Student Skyward account under the portfolio tab. This can be uploaded directly to your UW application. Please note if the college requires an official transcript you will need to order through Parchment <https://www.slinger.k12.wi.us/schools/high/academics/transcripts.cfm> ACT scores for the class of

2026 are still optional for many colleges; however if you wish to submit a score you can do so through your MyACT account. We do encourage you to confirm with the college(s) you are interested in applying to to make sure if they will require the ACT score for admission.

### Class Schedules

Student schedules for next school year will be released early August. Each year students fill out a course selection sheet to indicate which courses they would like to take the following school year. Based on these requests, a master schedule is built and teacher assignments are given. Schedules are balanced to equal class sizes. For this reason, **we will not be honoring class changes**. If students have extenuating circumstances, they may contact their counselor before school starts. Please note schedules are subject to change for administrative reasons.

### ACT Test

The next ACT test date is September 6th. In order to test on September 6th, students will need to pre-register in their MyACT account by August 1st. The next test date after that is October 18th and students need to register by September 12th.

### Fall Dates to Note

September 17 - Pre ACT - All 9 - 11 grade students will take a practice ACT test.

October 1 - ECCP and SCN applications due

October 14 - PSAT for sophomores (optional practice SAT test)

October 15 - PSAT/NMSQT for juniors (optional practice SAT test)

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## ATTENTION CLASS OF 2026: SENIOR PICTURE INFORMATION

In order for the Slinger High School yearbook staff to print the color senior picture in the yearbook, seniors must meet the requirements listed below.

- \* Senior portraits should be taken no later than **September 1** in order for professional photographers to complete and submit to the yearbook on time.
- \* The deadline for any photographer to turn them in is **OCTOBER 20**.
- \* The photographer of choice must provide one **color glossy head-and-shoulders digital photo, vertical layout** and the student must be looking at the camera.
- \* Digital images must have a resolution of at least 300dpi. This jpg image should be emailed to [sara.hansen@slingerschools.org](mailto:sara.hansen@slingerschools.org). Please save the image with the student's last name and first name (i.e. Smith, Joe).
- \* Clothing in the portrait must be **appropriate**:
  - \* **No** uniforms or unusual attire.
  - \* **No** pets, vehicles, or props.
  - \* **No** hats.
  - \* **Must follow school dress code** (no bare shoulders, spaghetti straps, too revealing cleavage, etc.). This is to ensure a classy, respected yearbook. Students may take other shots for their own use, but the yearbook photo should be classy and not provocative.
- \* A "soft-focus" picture may appear slightly blurry in the yearbook. This is not recommended.
- \* If a senior does not submit a photo on or before **OCTOBER 20<sup>th</sup>**, the yearbook staff will use his/her school photo ID picture.

Please email Sara Hansen (Yearbook Advisor) if you have any questions.

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### PARENT GRAD ADS!

The yearbook staff is offering parents an exciting way this fall to recognize their son or daughter's graduation or any accomplishment through Parent Ads. Flyers will be sent in September with information on how to purchase an ad online, upload photos, create text, etc. This is a very simple process, and parents can choose different sizes and layouts. Go to [www.JostensAdService.com](http://www.JostensAdService.com). Any questions, please contact adviser Sara Hansen at [sara.hansen@slingerschools.org](mailto:sara.hansen@slingerschools.org).

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### SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The high school office will be closed June 19<sup>th</sup> - July 13<sup>th</sup>. Please see our high school webpage for more detailed information.



## SLINGER HIGH SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST FOR 2025-2026

Besides the basic supplies needed, ie: spiral notebooks, folders, pens, pencils, below is a list of specific supplies required for some classes. A jump drive has become about as crucial of an item as notebooks, folders, pens, and pencils. Students in grade 9 will receive an assignment notebook, all other grades will have to supply one themselves if they'd like to use that during the school year.

SUBJECT	SUPPLIES NEEDED
Adobe Photoshop Adobe Illustrator Marketing II	2-4 GB jump Drive
Algebra I	TI 30XIIS Scientific Calculator and a 3-ring binder
Algebra II	TI 30XIIS Scientific Calculator or TI-84 Graphing Calculator and a 3-Ring Binder
Algebra Survey	TI 30XIIS Scientific Calculator and a 3-ring binder
Algebra II Survey	TI 30XIIS Scientific Calculator, 3-ring binder HIGHLY recommended
American Studies 3	3-ring binder, loose-leaf paper, notecards, cordless mouse (optional)
AP Calculus	TI-84 Graphing Calculator REQUIRED One college ruled composition notebook
AP Chemistry	Two college ruled composition notebooks
AP CS	16 GB Jump drive, 3-ring binder
AP Psychology	3-ring binder, note cards, highlighter
AP US Politics & Government	1 ½ inch 3-ring binder, loose-leaf paper, jump drive, notecards bound in spiral form (optional)
Biomed	1 College ruled composition notebook
Chamber Singers	Black 3-ring binder
Chemistry in the Community	3-ring binder, calculator, one-gallon distilled water (optional)
Computer Programming	16 GB Jump drive, 3-ring binder
Developmental Biology	Colored pencils and a calculator
Employability Skills	3-Ring Binder with a 50 pack of plastic sheet protectors
English 9 & 10	Wireless mouse (optional, but helpful), headphones, notebook, folder, and binder
General Chemistry	Two college ruled composition notebooks
Geometry	Calculator TI 30XIIS, compass, protractor, 3-ring binder
German I	1 notebook, 1 folder, pencil,
German II	1 notebook, 1 folder, pencil,
German III	1 notebook, 1 folder, pencil, pocket size German-English dictionary (recommended)
German IV & German V	1 notebook, 1 folder, pencil, pocket size German-English dictionary (recommended)
Graphics 3	2-4 GB jump drive
Honors Algebra I	TI 30XIIS calculator and a 3-ring binder
Honors Algebra II	TI-84 Graphing Calculator and a 3-ring binder
Honors Geometry	TI 30XIIS calculator, protractor, compass, 3-ring binder, notebook or loose-leaf paper
Honors Math IV	TI-84 Graphing Calculator REQUIRED and a 3-Ring Binder
Introductory to Accounting	Accounting simulation booklet; approximate cost \$10
Introductory to Psychology	3-ring binder, note cards, highlighter
Marketing I-III	Spiral notebook
Media Literacy	Headphones
Men's A Cappella	Black 3-ring binder
Intro to Public Speaking	Headphones
Personal Finance	Spiral notebook
Natural Science 9	3-ring binder or composition notebook, calculator, empty plastic 2-liter bottle
Physics	Non-Graphing calculator (TI 30XIIS Scientific Calculator best)
Photography/ Video	2-4 GB jump drive
Spanish 1	3-ring binder w/loose-leaf paper, tab dividers
Spanish 2	Notebook & Folder or 3-ring Binder
Spanish 3	Notebook & Folder or 3-ring Binder
Spanish 4	3-ring binder w/loose-leaf paper, tab dividers, Spanish/English dictionary (optional, but recommended)
Spanish 5	3-ring binder w/loose-leaf paper, tab dividers, Spanish/English dictionary (optional, but recommended), Spanish 501 Verbs Book (optional, but recommended)
AP Statistics	TI-84 Graphing Calculator REQUIRED
Trig/Pre-Calc	TI 30X IIS calculator or TI-84 Graphing Calculator, and a 3-ring binder
Vocal Jazz	Black 3-ring binder
World Studies	3-ring binder, loose-leaf paper, notecards, cordless mouse (optional)

## **2025-26 School Year SHS Important Dates**

**Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> – Student Parking Permit Application Opens via SHS website**

**Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> – HOOTIE FEST**

**Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> - Open House/Freshman Orientation 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  
(Network Photography here 5:00 - 8:00 pm for School Pictures)**

**Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> – Picture Day in the SHS Cafeteria 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

**Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> – No School/Labor Day**

**Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> – First Day of School (School pictures can be taken in the library 7am-11am)**

**Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> – Homecoming Football Game**

**Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – Homecoming Dance**

**Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – No School/Inservice Day**

**Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday – Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> – No School/Thanksgiving Break**

**December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup> – No School/Holiday Break**

**January 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> – Semester Exams**

**Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> – No School/HS Teacher Workday**

**Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> – Teacher Inservice Day**

**Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> – No School/President's Day**

**Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> – Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> – ACT Testing for ALL Juniors (Virtual day for grades 9, 10 & 12)**

**March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup> – No School/Spring Break**

**Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> – No School/Memorial Day**

**Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – Graduation**

**June 4<sup>th</sup> – June 9<sup>th</sup> – Final Exams**

**Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of School**