

August 12, 2011

Dear Parents,

Our school will be participating in the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools (SCACS) Fine Arts Festival in March. We want you to be aware of the events available to your child and give plenty of time for planning ahead and practicing.

Sumter Christian School will have a "Fine Arts Week" in late January to choose those students who will represent our school at SCACS. At SCACS our students will be evaluated by qualified judges, given creative comments, and awarded certificates for attaining superior or excellent scores. You will receive more information as January approaches. High School students may advance to the National Competition. Our school bands will be expected to participate and attend the SCACS competition. There will be a fee of \$9.00 for each elementary student (grades 1-6) attending the SCACS State Fine Arts Competition and a fee of \$10 for each high school student (grades 7-12) attending. The state competition is divided into four levels: Level I (grades 1-3), Level II (grades 4-6), Level III (grades 7-9), and Level IV (grades 10-12).

ACADEMIC TESTING: The fee for Elementary students is \$4 per test. The fee for Jr. high and High school students is \$6 per test. The tests will be administered after school one day in January. I will contact you when I receive more details from SCACS.

ART: All artwork must be completed by January 26, 2012. Please see me for guidelines.

BIBLE: All students in grades 1-12 may compete in Bible memory. Students in grades 7-12 may participate in the Bible Quiz team, preaching, or Bible teaching contests. See Mr. Glass for a list of this year's Bible memory verses or for more information about the high school competition.

NATIONAL ESSAY and POETRY CONTEST: Students in grades 4-9 may participate. I will be given the topics at the SCACS Teachers' Convention. Please contact me after October 1.

MUSIC: Soloists must submit two ORIGINAL copies of their music by January 26, 2012. Each soloist and group must provide their own accompanist. Several teachers can play the piano and may be asked if you are unable to find another accompanist. It is the student's responsibility to find an accompanist and schedule time to meet with them. The accompanist must be available for local judging in January and must attend the state competition. See me for help finding music.

SCIENCE FAIR: Students in grades 7-9 may participate. Please see your science teacher.

SPEECH and DEBATE: Any student interested in a solo, group, or debate, please see Mrs. Lundy for details.

SPELLING BEE: Each elementary class will conduct a spelling bee to determine who will participate in our Spelling Bee on January 12. Four of the six winners from our spelling bee will represent our school at SCACS. Please see your teacher for more information. The high school does not have a formal spelling bee, but students who have interest in competing at the state level should see Miss Liles.

Please place a checkmark beside any event on the next page in which your child would like to participate or stating that your child will not be participating and return it to the school office. I will keep you informed about the categories in which you are interested. Parents are encouraged to get involved as well. Feel free to email me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lundy

SCS Fine Arts Director

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PLEASE PLACE A CHECK BY THE EVENT(S) YOUR CHILD WOULD BE INTERESTED IN

TESTING IS AVAILABLE IN THESE AREAS:

Grades 7-8:

- Bible Knowledge Testing
- Creative Writing: Poetry
- English
- Expository Writing: Essay
- History/Geography
- General Mathematics
- Pre-Algebra
- Algebra I
- Science

Grades 9-12:

- Bible Testing (on specific books)
- Accounting
- Creative Writing: Poetry
- English
- Expository Writing: Essay
- History/Geography
- Home Economics
- Advanced Mathematics
- Algebra I
- Algebra/Geometry
- Political Science/Economics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Spanish
- Music Theory

OTHER EVENTS AVAILABLE AT SCACS:

Grades 1-3:

- Bible Memory
- Vocal Solos
- Vocal Ensembles
- Instrumental Solos
- Instrumental Ensembles
- Piano Solos
- Piano Duet or Trio
- Poetry
- Scripture Passage
- Lettering
- Crafts
- 1 Color Drawing
- Multi-color Drawing
- Oil Painting
- Acrylic Painting
- Still Life Photography
- Landscape & Architecture Photography
- Plants & Animals Photography
- Printmaking
- Sculpture
- Textiles
- Watercolors
- Mixed Media

Grades 4-6:

- Bible Sword Drill
- Bible Memory
- Vocal Solos
- Vocal Ensembles
- Instrumental Solos
- Instrumental Ensembles
- Piano Solos
- Piano Duet or Trio
- Humorous Speech
- Patriotic Speech
- Poetry (non-religious)
- Religious Poetry
- Religious Speech
- Scripture Passage
- Group Speech
- Lettering
- Crafts
- 1 Color Drawing
- Multi-color Drawing
- Oil Painting
- Acrylic Painting
- Still Life Photography
- Landscape & Architecture Photography
- Plants & Animals Photography
- Printmaking
- Sculpture
- Textiles
- Watercolors
- Mixed Media
- Math

_____ Spelling

_____ English
_____ History
_____ Science
_____ Spelling

Grades 7-8:

Bible: _____ Bible Quiz Team
_____ Bible Memory
_____ Bible Teaching
_____ Bible Preaching
Music: _____ Vocal Solos
_____ Vocal Ensembles
_____ Instrumental Solos
_____ Instrumental Ensembles
_____ Piano Solo
_____ Piano Duet

Speech: _____ Debate
_____ Declamation
_____ Dramatic Interpretation
_____ Duet Acting
_____ Extemporaneous Speaking
_____ Humorous Interpretation
_____ Original Persuasive Oratory
_____ Poetry
_____ Religious Reading
_____ Scripture Passage
_____ Readers' Theater
_____ Choric Speaking

Art: _____ Calligraphy
_____ Crafts
_____ Monochromatic Drawing
_____ Polychromatic Drawing
_____ Acrylic Painting
_____ Oil Painting
_____ Black/White Photography
_____ Color Photography
_____ Digital Photography
_____ Printmaking
_____ Sculpture
_____ Textiles
_____ Watercolors
_____ Woodworking

Academics: _____ Spelling Bee
_____ Science Projects

Grades 9-12:

_____ Bible Quiz Team
_____ Bible Memory
_____ Bible Teaching
_____ Bible Preaching
_____ Vocal Solos
_____ Vocal Ensembles
_____ Instrumental Solos
_____ Instrumental Ensembles
_____ Piano or Organ Solo
_____ Piano Duet
_____ Piano & Organ Duet
_____ Debate
_____ Declamation
_____ Dramatic Interpretation
_____ Duet Acting
_____ Extemporaneous Speaking
_____ Humorous Interpretation
_____ Original Persuasive Oratory
_____ Poetry
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_____ Textiles
_____ Watercolors
_____ Woodworking
_____ Digital Media
_____ Spelling Bee
_____ Science Projects

(Please note that some of our event names are simplified in this letter.)

Student's Name

Date

Parent's Signature