



# Bear Express



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Dear Summit Families,



We are off to an exciting start to the year here at Summit! Our classrooms were alive with the buzz of learning in our first week of classes. As we head into week two, we look forward to welcoming back our 9th grade class from their week-long high school orientation trip in the Teton Mountains of Wyoming. This second annual trip marks the start of the high school experience at Summit. We are so thrilled to see our 9th grade class grow as leaders, scholars, and people in their first year of high school.

The energy on campus right now is inspiring, and it is truly a reflection of the joy our families, faculty, and students bring to Summit each day. It was so great to see so many families out for our Back to School Picnic last Thursday. Know that Summit is a community for all our families, and we truly hope to see you here on campus throughout the year to support our children, celebrate this amazing school, and build community with one another.

Friday's Big Reveal of Chloe's Lemon-Aid Stand was an inspiring testament to what is possible when a committed group of families, students, staff, and community members come together in partnership behind a shared vision and dream of what is possible. As Josh Crawford so passionately spoke to on Friday--dreams come true. In two short months this summer, and with the generous matching gifts from Dr. Barbara Carlton & Kitty and T. Wayne Davis, Chloe's Lemon-Aid Stand for Education raised \$202,864 for our school this year! These generous gifts and the many hours of service from across our school and community to make this possible reflect the PRIDE that is the heart of our roots at Summit, and what makes our school so special.

The future of Summit is in our hands to shape. Let's all take pride in that. Let's all make Summit the school that makes us proud today, and ten years from now when our children are off making this world a better place.

With gratitude,

Kurt

**Strengthening our roots...building for our future!**



# SFA NEWS

SFA wants to thank everyone who came out to the Back to School picnic.  
It was a great way to kick off the new school year!

SFA needs a Volunteer Coordinator and a Christmas Parade Chair.  
Contact Tracie Jernigan at [tracieanne26@gmail.com](mailto:tracieanne26@gmail.com) if interested.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SummitFest, Oct. 12, 1:00- 3:00 p.m.

Family Thanksgiving Feast, Nov. 22, 11:45 a.m.



FACULTY MEMBER OF THE WEEK: KIM STIWINTER



## IMPORTANT DATES

September 6: 1st Free Dress Day for Volunteering at the Lemon-aid Stand

September 6: Middle School Campout

September 12-13: 8th Grade Water Monitoring

September 13: Free Dress for Filling Out SFA Volunteer Form

September 17: SCS Board Meeting 4:30

September 24: SCSF Board Meeting 4:00

September 26: 3rd & 4th Grade to Cashiers Historical Society for Founder's Day + Community

Grand Opening of New Facilities

September 27: No School / Faculty Workday



## CARLINE PROCEDURES

Safety for our students is our number one concern. Please keep in mind the following procedures:

Students should not be on campus prior to 8:10 AM unless they are being tutored.

Morning Carline is 8:10 - 8:30 AM.

Afternoon Carline begins at 3:30 PM.

Students arriving after 8:30 AM must be accompanied by an adult to the office to sign in and receive a Pass for Class.

Our neighbors have asked that we obey all traffic laws including Speed Limit and all Traffic Signs, including the **STOP** Sign at the end of our driveway.

We ask that you please do not be on your cell phone during carline.

Do not pull out of carline to pass a car or bus that is loading or unloading children.



## JAM REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Junior Appalachian Musicians (JAM) is an after school program for Summit and Blue Ridge students. JAM introduces children to "old time" and bluegrass music on instruments common to the region, such as guitar, fiddle, mandolin and banjo.

The program is open to students in grades 3-12 and will begin on September 9th on Monday afternoons, 3-5 PM, at Blue Ridge School.

More information and registration forms are in the Summit's front office lobby.

## MEDICATION POLICY

Teachers are not allowed to keep or distribute medicine in the classroom. All medication will be kept in the office to be distributed at the appropriate time.

In accordance with North Carolina statutes, all medication must be in its original container and accompanied by a doctor's note. Parents are responsible for notifying the front office of all medication needs and for personally delivering the medication to the front office.

The school staff cannot administer any medication (prescription or over the counter) to a child unless it is ordered and prescribed by a doctor. We must have a doctor's note on file indicating dosage, the amount to be given, and the time of administration for each medication. All medications must be brought to the front office by parents in the original container, and the markings on the container must match the doctor's note. Medications may also be brought in and administered by a parent on school grounds. No student may possess any type of medication (including cough drops and inhalers) while attending school or a school function. This policy is in accordance with the NC Department of Public Instruction.

# 2019 MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL SPORTS



## 2019 Middle School Soccer

- 9/3 Summit @ Highlands 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/5 Summit @ Murphy 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/9 Summit @ TFS 4:30 p.m.**  
**9/11 Cherokee @ Summit 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/12 Rabun Gap @ Summit 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/16 Swain @ Summit 4:30 p.m.**  
**9/18 Summit @ Rabun Gap 4:30 p.m.**  
**9/19 Highlands @ Summit 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/26 TFS @ Summit 4:30 p.m.**  
**Tri-State Tournament**  
**9/30 Semifinals 5 @ 4**  
**10/2 Semifinals 4 @ 1 and 3 @ 2**  
**10/4 Championship @ Highlands TBA**



## 2019 Middle School Volleyball

- 9/3 Summit @ Highlands 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/5 Eagle Ridge @ Summit 3:30 p.m.**  
**9/9 Summit @ Rabun Gap 4:30 p.m.**  
**9/12 Rabun Gap @ Summit 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/19 Highlands @ Summit 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/23 Summit @ Eagle Ridge 4:00 p.m.**  
**10/4 Championship @ Highlands TBA**



## 2019 Middle School Cross Country

- 9/4 Cross Country @ Summit 4:00 p.m.**  
**9/10 Cross Country @ TFS 4:15 p.m.**  
**9/14 Cross Country @ Cherokee 11:00 a.m.**  
**9/17 Cross Country @ Highlands 4:30 p.m.**  
**9/19 Cross Country @ Towns County 4:30 p.m.**  
**9/24 Cross Country @ Rabun Gap 4:30 p.m.**  
**10/1 Championship @ Summit 4:15 p.m.**

