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# Solvay Union Free School District February 2017

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|        |   |                                      | 1                                    | 2   | 3                                    | 4                       |
| 5      | 6<br>SES PTO Mtg. 6:30 p.m.                     | 7                                    | 8                                    | 9<br>SMS PTO Mtg. 7:00 p.m.                         | 10                                   | 11<br>ACT not at Solvay |
| 12     | 13<br>Board of Education Mtg.<br>7:00 p.m.      | 14<br><i>Valentine's Day</i>         | 15                                   | 16<br><i>Celebrate with Song @ SMS</i><br>9:45 a.m. | 17                                   | 18                      |
| 19     | 20<br>District Closed<br><i>Presidents' Day</i> | 21<br>School Closed<br>Winter Recess | 22<br>School Closed<br>Winter Recess | 23<br>School Closed<br>Winter Recess                | 24<br>School Closed<br>Winter Recess | 25                      |
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# DISTRICT STADIUM POLICY

## **Philosophy**

In the Solvay Union Free School District, we hope to create a safe and enjoyable environment for all spectators and participants at stadium events. We also want to protect the stadium from damage. Therefore, we have these guidelines for behavior, sportsmanship, respect, and stadium use.

## **Behavior**

All participants and spectators will be expected to politely and courteously conduct themselves at all times. For example, there will be no fighting, pushing, or shoving. Additionally, spectators will not be running through the stadium, especially on the bleachers and handicap ramp. Inappropriate or dangerous behaviors will not be allowed.

The stadium environment will be respected and spectators will not be allowed to throw objects or to litter the facility. Violators will be asked to leave the stadium and school grounds.

## **Sportsmanship**

The Solvay Union Free School District expects all spectators and participants to display good sportsmanship. According to Section III rules noisemakers of any type are not allowed at athletic contests. This includes, but is not limited to thunder-sticks, penny-filled containers, air horns, etc. We also expect all spectators and participants to comply with Section III of the N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A. The spectator code of behavior/ethics includes:

1. Direct all energies to encouraging your team.
2. Avoid actions that offend visiting teams or individual players.
3. Show appreciation of good play by both teams.
4. Learn the rules of the game in order to be a more intelligent spectator.
5. Treat all visiting teams in a manner in which you would expect to be treated. Respectfully accept the judgment of coaches and officials.
6. Encourage other spectators to participate in the spirit of good sportsmanship.
7. Be positive and support your team.
8. Be respectful of and comply with the directives of all stadium event staff.
9. All portions of the Solvay High School Code of Conduct are in effect and will apply to infractions.

## **Respect**

The Solvay Union Free School District expects all spectators and participants to behave respectfully and conduct themselves in a positive manner. We will not tolerate the use of profanity, abusive language, taunting of athletes, officials, spectators, or event staff. The Dress Code will be enforced. There will be no indecent exposure. Spectators will comply with our Code of Conduct that prohibits inappropriate displays of public affection. Violators will comply with event staff directives, or they will be asked to leave the stadium and school grounds.

## **Stadium Rules**

Spectators will leave all pets at home. The only animals allowed in the stadium are assisted living or seeing eye dogs. New York State Law prohibits the possession or use of tobacco products, drugs, or alcohol anywhere on school grounds at any time. Spectators will not possess or throw recreational objects, such as beach balls, Frisbees, balls, etc. All student spectators will be seated in the bleachers. All spectators may be seated at the discretion of event staff for health and safety reasons. Spectators will not stand in the "No Loitering Zones".

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| April 2017 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday                          | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday                                      |
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|   |  |   | 1<br>SMS Open House 6:30-7:30 p.m. | 2<br>SES Open House 6:30 p.m.                               | 3   | 4   |
| 5   | 6<br>Early Dismissal<br>Staff Development Day<br><br>SES PTO Mtg. 6:30 p.m.<br>Spring Sports Begin | 7   | 8                                  | 9<br>SMS PTO Mtg. 7:00 p.m.                                 | 10<br>SHS Spring Musical                              | 11<br>SHS Spring Musical<br>SAT not at Solvay |
| 12<br><i>Daylight Savings Time Ends @ 2:00 a.m. Remember to move clocks ahead one hour.</i> | 13   | 14<br>All District Band Concert @ SHS 7:00 p.m. | 15                                 | 16<br>All District Band Concert @ SHS 7:00 p.m. (Snow Date) | 17<br>SHS St. Baldrick Event<br><br>St. Patrick's Day | 18  |
| 19  | 20<br>Board of Education Mtg. 7:00 p.m.  | 21  | 22                                 | 23  | 24<br>SMS Musical 7:00 p.m.                           | 25<br>SMS Musical 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.       |
| 26  | 27   | 28  | 29                                 | 30  | 31  |   |
| Gr. 3-8 NYS ELA Assessments March 28-March 30   |  |   |                                    |   |   |   |

## IMPORTANT MESSAGES

### **Attendance**

Legal reasons for absences or tardiness include: college visit, cooperative work program, court appearance, disciplinary action, family emergency, field trips, funeral, health appointments, illness, impassable roads or weather, late bus, military obligations, quarantine, religions observance, road test, or sanctioned academic or athletic event. Absence or tardiness for any other reason is considered illegal. Parents are required to write a signed excuse to the school when a student returns after being absent or tardy. New York State requires the district to maintain a file of written excuses for at least one year.

At the high school, the Board of Education has established a minimum attendance rate of 85% as a requirement for successful completion of each course. Whenever a student's attendance falls below 85% in any course, for any reason, his/her grade is automatically carried as an incomplete.

### **Anonymous Reporting of Bullying/Cyberbullying, Discrimination and/or Harassment**

Any student who believes that he/she is being subjected to bullying/cyberbullying, discrimination and/or harassing behavior, as well as any other person who has knowledge of or witnesses any possible occurrence of such, may report the behavior anonymously utilizing the "BULLY BUTTON" located on the District webpage at [www.solvayschools.org](http://www.solvayschools.org)

### **Tobacco-Free Schools**

Smoking/tobacco use, including e-cigarettes/e-cigs/vaporizers, are prohibited within and on all district owned, rented, or leased buildings, property, and vehicles. This prohibition applies to public, staff, and students, and extends to private vehicles when on school property. The penalty for smoking on school property may be as high as \$2,000 for each violation.

### **Permission Slip Requirement**

Permission slips are required for the following: all field trips and special transportation requests. A physician's note and other requirements are necessary for medications administered in school.

### **Academic Eligibility for Sports and Co-curricular Activities**

Students in grades 7-12 who wish to exercise their privilege to participate in sports and school-sponsored clubs must carry at least five (5) classes plus physical education, maintain an overall average of 65 and be failing no more than one (1) subject to remain eligible. Eligibility must be maintained each marking period for participation to continue. A complete copy of the eligibility policy is available in the main office of the middle and high schools.

### **Use of District Facilities (Brief Summary)**

Community organizations wishing to make occasional use of school district facilities are directed to contact the main office of the building where the specific facility (e.g., classroom, gymnasium, or athletic field) is located to request a Facility Use Request form. Once the form is completed, the request must go to the Board of Education for approval. To ensure that there is sufficient time for the board to consider a request, such requests should be submitted to the Superintendent at least five (5) weeks before the planned event for which the facility is needed.

### **Visitors to our Schools**

District residents are always welcome in our place of learning. However, we ask that all visitors report immediately to the building's main office to sign-in and receive a visitor's pass. It is more important than ever before to ensure the proper identification of everyone who enters and moves about in our buildings so that we may ensure the security of the buildings and the safety of students, staff, and guests.