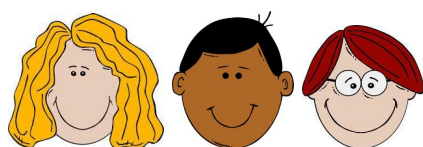


Welcome to South Hill Elementary School!

We're glad you're here.

This booklet will give you some information about our school and our local Ithaca community.



Student Support Team



Afterschool Programs



PTA

The Ithaca Community



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Hi! I'm the South Hill mascot! I'm a hawk. **Go Hawks!**

South Hill Library

Hello! My name is Ms. Jones, I am your Teacher-Librarian. The SH library allows families of SH students to check out books. So, not only can your student check out books during the school day, but you can visit the library and select books as well. Call 607-272-3651 for more information.

South Hill Shines Assembly

Once a month, the entire school comes together in our Gym from 8:00am-8:30am for South Hill Shines. Families are welcome, too! South Hill Shines is a time when students and classrooms put on presentations about what they've been learning. Through singing, skits, poems, and other creative ways, the whole school can see what students are working on. Sometimes professional entertainers come, too. For more information, please call 607-274-2129.

South Hill Band & Orchestra

Orchestra is available to 3rd-5th graders. They can learn viola, violin, cello, and bass.

Band is available to 3rd-5th graders. They can learn percussion and wind instruments like flute and clarinet.

For more information about instruments offered and scholarship opportunities please call Hickey Music at 607-272-8262.



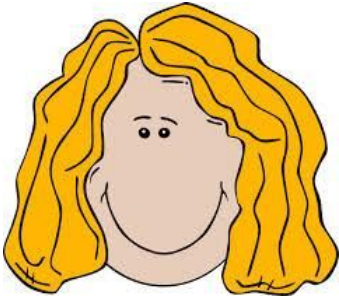
Science Olympiad

Available to 3rd-5th graders, Science Olympiad is a great program. It gives students a challenge and a set of materials to use so they can address the challenge. Science Olympiad gets students who love science, engineering, problem-solving, and creative thinking to work together to reach their team goal.

SH students meet weekly for a specified period of time to learn and grow together and prepare for the culminating event. Please contact Sheri Meminger at 607-274-2129 for more information.

South Hill Hawk Support Staff

Hi! I'm the **School Psychologist**, Rachelle Walsh

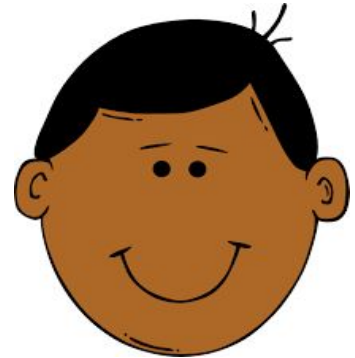


I teach social skills lessons to whole classrooms, provide counseling services to students, and I assist teachers with students who might be experiencing behavioral difficulty in the classroom.

I work closely with families who may need support in managing challenging behaviors or who need assistance with accessing community supports and resources. I also conduct evaluations for students who may be in need of special academic supports.

Hi! I'm the **School Social Worker**, Teresa Vossen

I teach social skills lessons to whole classrooms and also have lunch and groups with students. I provide counseling services and I am happy to help students work on friendship skills and on improving behaviors.



I can help connect you to programs outside of the school that provide help like counseling, housing, clothing, employment, and nutritional assistance.



Hi! I'm the **School Nurse**,

I make sure all students are up to date with their immunizations and wellness exams, and if they aren't I will help you get your kids get the health services they need. With a doctor's order I can administer medication at school if a student needs medication during the day. I also screen students to make sure they don't have a vision or hearing difficulty. If a child needs glasses I can help you find some.

I help families find local pediatricians and dentists. If you don't have health insurance I can connect you with services to help you get it.

Call 607-274-2129 to speak with one of our Student Support Staff providers.

South Hill Area After School Programs

South Hill After School Program

Open until 5:30 pm.

Call Roxi or Jerrod at 607-273-1473 for details.

Bright Futures Program

At St. Paul's Church, 402 North Aurora St. Your kids can take the bus from SH. Bright Futures is open Mon-Fri 2 to 6 PM. They also open during school breaks and over the summer from 9 AM to 5 PM. Call 607-280-7619 for details.

GIAC

From 2 to 5:30 PM, Mon - Fri.

GIAC has an art program, computer room, homework spot, multicultural activities center (MAC), quiet area, and a recreational program. Call 607-274-6570 for details.



Southside Community Center

From 2 to 5 PM, Mon-Fri. SSCC welcomes elementary kids with a variety of activities, homework help, and dinner served at 5 PM. Call 607-273-4190 for details.

YMCA and IC3 are also programs many SH students attend after school. Students can take the bus from SH. Call YMCA 607-257-0101 and IC3 607-257-0200.

Coddington Road

Community Center is located at 920 Coddington Rd. Your students can take the bus from SH.

CRCC's afterschool program approach is based on the emerging ideas and interests of the children. Lessons are developed around shared interests and facilitated by the teachers. Call 607-277-1434 for details.

South Hill Tots is also a program that SH students attend after school. Located at 209 W Northview Rd. Call 607-227-7792 for details.

South Hill's PTA Does Great Stuff!

The SH Parent Teacher Association (PTA) helps connect SH to our families.

- PTA encourages ALL families to join and participate at ANY level. Membership supports many school events each year.
- PTA meets once a month starting at 6:00PM. Pizza and childcare is available during the meeting.
- Meetings include conversations about SH, education related topics, and student friendly activities.
- PTA puts on interactive events for whole families: Math nights, Science nights, Music nights, and a Movie night.
- PTA hosts a welcome Fall Festival each fall.

Join the Facebook group: SH Families.

Sign up for the SH PTA email list to keep up-to-date on events. Events are open to ALL SH families, regardless of membership. Go to: southhillelem-subscribe@yahogroups.com

Join the group!



Ithaca Housing Support



Ithaca Housing Authority helps families and individuals to get safe, clean, and affordable housing in accordance with Federal

HUD guidelines. You can find an application by calling 607-273-8629 or feel free to visit the office between 8:30 AM-3:30 PM, 607-798-800 South Plain Street, Ithaca, NY. www.ithacaha.org has more information.

Women's Shelter: Advocacy Center of Tompkins County

PO Box 164
Ithaca, NY - 14851
607-277-3203
<http://www.theadvocacycenter.org>

Rescue Mission Ithaca

- Rescue Mission Emergency Shelter: 607-273-9177
- Rescue Mission Friendship Center: 607-273-6684
- Court Street Place: 607-241-1020

Ithaca Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.

115 W Clinton St, Ithaca, NY 14850
607-277-4500
<http://ithacanhhs.org>

Non Profit Organization that provides housing assistance.

Better Housing For Tompkins County, Inc.

950 Danby Rd #102, Ithaca, NY 14850
607-273-2187
<https://www.betterhousingtc.org>

Non Profit Organization that provides housing assistance.

Tompkins Community Action, Inc.

701 Spencer Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850
607-273-8816
<http://www.tcactionweb.org/joomla/>
Non Profit Organization that provides housing assistance.

Alternatives Federal Credit Union

125 Fulton St., Ithaca, NY 14850
607-216-3416
<http://www.alternatives.org>
Agency that provides HUD Approved Housing Assistance Programs.

Food Pantries



American Red Cross of Tompkins County

607-273-6684, State St / Martin Luther King Jr. St near Meadows St, Ithaca, NY

The Food Pantry offers food baskets containing 3 meals for 5 days for each member of the family. Tuesday and Thursday 4:00 PM-7:00 PM Wednesday and Friday 2-4:00 PM and Saturday 11:00 AM-3:00 PM

Loaves and Fishes

607-272-5457, Ithaca, NY

FREE MEALS Monday 12-1:00 PM Tuesday 5:30-6:30 PM Wednesday 12-1:00 PM Thursday 5:30-6:30 PM Friday 12-1:00 PM. Free nutritious meals & advocacy services provided Monday through Friday throughout the year.

Caroline Food Pantry □Brooktondale

Community Center □ 522 Valley Road, Brooktondale □
5:30-7:00 PM 1st and 3rd Monday

Brooktondale (Caroline) Mobile Food Pantry

Brooktondale Community Center 522 Valley Road, Brooktondale □
4th Wednesday 1-2:00 PM □February, April, June □

Danby Food Pantry

607-272-1687 (leave message) Danby Federated Church 1859 Danby Road, Ithaca □
3-6:00 PM 3rd Thursday □DanbyFedChurch@clarityconnect.com
Mobile Food Pantry 4th Monday 1-2:00 PM

Enfield Food Distribution □

Enfield Community Building □ 182 Enfield Main Road, Ithaca □
3-5:00 PM 4th Tuesday
Mobile Food Pantry 2nd Tuesday 1-2:00 PM

Ithaca Baptized Church of Jesus Christ

607-272-1984, 412 First Street, Ithaca □ 10-12:00 PM
Wednesdays; □ 10-12:30 PM 3rd Saturday

Immaculate Conception Church

Serves Tompkins County 113 North Geneva Street, Ithaca 1-2:00 PM Tuesdays

Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard

607-273-2400 Serves City of Ithaca

The Salvation Army Building 150 North Albany Street, 1:30-3:00 PM Monday-Thursday;
1-2:30 PM Fridays

Southside Community Center

607-273-4190, 305 South Plain Street, Ithaca 4-6:00 PM Monday-Friday

Emergency Food Pack 12-2 PM every 4th Saturday

County Rescue Mission

607-273-6684, 618 West State Street, Ithaca

2-4:00 PM Mondays; 9-11:00 AM & 2-4:00 PM Tuesday through Friday

Tompkins Community Action Food Pantry

607-273-8816, 701 Spencer Road, Ithaca NY

2:30-4:30 PM Monday; 10:30-1:30 PM Tuesday ruth.williams@tcaction.org

Rescue Mission

607-273-6684, 618 West State Street, Ithaca NY

Bagged lunches Tuesday & Thursdays 12-12:30 PM, Saturday meal served at 4:00 PM

Our Brother's & Sister's Table

607-273-2400 The Salvation Army 150 N Albany St Ithaca NY

Lunch Saturday 12:00 PM, Sunday meal 3:00 PM

Dryden United Methodist Church

607-844-9861, 9 East Main Street Dryden NY

5:30-6:30 PM 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Wednesdays

Transportation Services

Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit (TCAT)



Bus 14 services much of West Hill, including Linderman Creek, Overlook Apartments, Conifer Village, and Chestnut Street Apartments. The bus brings you to a hub at West Seneca St. and North Albany St. at The Commons. BJM is about two blocks away. Call 607-277-RIDE or 607-277-7433 and go to <http://tcat.nextinsight.com> for a map and

schedule.

School Success Transportation Coalition

Enables student and parent engagement in academic and extracurricular activities by providing transportation support. Contact Carrie Kerr, carriek@frontiernet.net and 607-659-5003 for assistance. Go to www.schoolsuccesstc.weebly.com

Way 2 Go

Helps community members without dependable transportation get to important events, like doctors appointments, school events, and service meetings.

Resources

- Catholic Charities 607-272-5062
- FISH- Friends in Service Helping 877-211-8667
- Gadabout 607-273-1878
- Ithaca CarShare 607-277-3210
- Zimride.com
- vRide Vanpooling 1-800-826-7433



Visit www.way2go.org for more information.

Learning Resources



The Village at Ithaca

We work for excellence and equity in Ithaca's public schools, by developing strategic community relationships, programs, and services to ensure that students, particularly African American, Latino, and low-income students, consistently meet or exceed local and New York State standards of achievement.

609 W. Clinton St., Suite 109

Ithaca, NY 14850

<http://villageatithaca.org>

607-256-0780

Resources

- Staff ready to connect you to Ithaca's many youth and family services.
- Student Success Center
- Achievement Coaches for students
- Family Advocacy Program (FAP) helps adults work with Ithaca City School District, teachers, special-ed teachers, principals, and other people involved in your child's education.

Southside Community Center

Since its incorporation in 1934, the Southside Community Center continues to affirm, empower, and foster the development of self pride among the African-American citizens of greater Ithaca. Through forums and activities in education, recreation, political and social awareness, the Southside Community Center is a community resource center.

305 S. Plain St, Ithaca.

607-273-4190

www.scccithaca.org.

Resources:

- Computer Lab
- Unity Studio for music, beats, recording.
- Afterschool Program
- Summer Program
- Afterschool Tutoring
- Health and Recreation
- Pet Clinic
- Recycled Ithaca Bicycles



GIAC

The Greater Ithaca Activities Center (GIAC) is a center for all ages, particularly youth and teens. It serves the immediate neighborhood and the greater Ithaca area by providing multicultural, educational, and recreational programs focused on social and individual development.

Resources

- Activities for adults 60 years and older.
- XBox
- Computer Lab
- ESL classes
- Tae Kwon Do classes
- Board Games
- Organized field trips: skating, theater, movies, and museums.

Sciencenter

Inspiring excitement for science through interactive exhibits and programs that engage, educate, and empower.

601 1st St, Ithaca.

607-272-0600

www.sciencenter.org

Resources:

- Mini-golf course open during warm months.
- Preschool Story Time.
- Science Together: a time to do hands-on experiments with Sciencenter Staff.
- New Exhibits! There is always something fun to see and do at the Sciencenter.
- Outdoor play structure open during warm months.
- Free membership for families who qualify.

Tompkins County Public Library

101 East Green St, Ithaca

607-272-4557

www.tcpl.org

Resources

- Audiobooks for all ages
- DVDs
- Computer Lab
- Volunteers read to your child or your child reads to them.
- Baby and Toddler Playtime. Babies, Books and Bounce: stories, songs, and socializing for parents with infants to 18 month olds.

