



SOUTH HADLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT'S NEWSLETTER



September 11, 2026

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Remembering 9/11



25 Years
September 11, 2001-2026

As we mark the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001, we pause to remember and honor the nearly 3,000 people who lost their lives, including the 343 members of the New York City Fire Department who died that day. We also remember the extraordinary courage and selflessness of the first responders and all those who stepped forward to help others during an unimaginable tragedy.

The photos included here are from my time in Kinsale, Ireland, where I had the opportunity to visit the Kinsale 9/11 Garden of Remembrance. The garden honors the 343 members of the FDNY who lost their lives on September 11. Seeing this beautiful memorial so far from New York was a powerful reminder of how deeply the events of that day were felt around the world and of the importance of ensuring that those who were lost are never forgotten.

Twenty-five years later, September 11 also reminds us of the importance of safety, preparedness, and caring for one another. The safety and well-being of our students and staff will always be our number one priority in South Hadley Public Schools. As we remember those we lost, we honor their memory by continuing to build school communities rooted in compassion, kindness, courage, and care for one another.





Whether you're ready to rent,
have questions, or just want to learn more about
the instrument options, Rental Night is for you!
TONIGHT 6-8pm at MESMS

Keeping Our Community Informed: ACL – Protect Act

As part of SHPS's standard policy review process, District Administration is presenting the current working version of policy ACL – Protect Act to the School Committee for review. Draft policy updates are shared throughout the year as part of our commitment to keeping the community informed and involved.

The proposed policy addresses protections established under the PROTECT Act, which states:

“Civil arrests for civil law enforcement, including federal immigration enforcement, are not allowed on school grounds during school hours, student drop off and pick up windows, before- and after-school programming and school-sponsored events without a Judicial Warrant or Judicial Order,” except as otherwise required by state or federal law.”

Community members are invited to review the draft and share feedback at policies@shschools.com

WE ARE HIRING!

**South Hadley Public Schools
is looking for a Psychologist,
BCBA, History Teacher, &
Paraprofessionals**



If you or someone you know is interested please
email kmclaughlin@shschools.com

**Upholding the Rights of Immigrant Students
to Enroll in School**
Click [HERE](#) for resources.

Upcoming Dates

September 16:

**School Committee Meeting
7pm (Hybrid) SH COA & Zoom**



**Meet.
Explore.
Connect.**

**September 17 6-8pm
SHHS Open House**

September 21:

**Community Conversation – Special Edition
4pm at HJSS**

September 24:

HJSS Open House 530-7pm

September 28:

**Mosier Open House 430-6pm
MESMS Open House 530-7pm**

October 7:

**School Committee Meeting
7pm (Hybrid) SH COA & Zoom**

October 12:

No School – Indigenous People's Day

October 21:

**School Committee Meeting
7pm (Hybrid) SH COA & Zoom**

October 21-23:

Parent Conferences PreK-8th / Half days

**Community Conversations
Schedule Here**



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