



STUDENT SERVICES EVENTS CALENDAR



SOUTH
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Office of
STUDENT LIFE & LEADERSHIP

**FALL
2026**



Dear Students,

Welcome to a new semester! It is my pleasure to welcome you to campus and wish you success as you begin another exciting chapter in your educational journey. Whether you are attending your first class at South Suburban College or returning to continue your studies, know that you are an important part of our college community.

Your success extends beyond the classroom. I encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities available to you throughout the semester. Attend campus events, participate in student organizations, connect with your classmates, and build relationships with faculty and staff. The connections you make today can become a valuable source of support, encouragement, and lifelong friendships.

Remember that asking for help is a sign of strength. Our Student & Enrollment Services team is committed to providing the resources and support you need to achieve your goals. Whether you need academic advising, tutoring, financial aid assistance, career planning, accessibility services, counseling, or help navigating college, we are here for you every step of the way.

As you move through the semester, I encourage you to:

- Attend class regularly and stay engaged in your learning.
- Keep track of important dates and deadlines using this calendar.
- Utilize campus resources before challenges become obstacles.
- Get involved in campus activities and discover new opportunities.

Take care of your physical and mental well-being while maintaining a healthy balance between school, work, and family responsibilities.

This calendar is your guide to important academic dates, campus events, and student engagement opportunities. I encourage you to keep it nearby and use it throughout the semester as a tool to stay informed and connected.

On behalf of the entire Student & Enrollment Services team, thank you for choosing South Suburban College. We are honored to support you on your educational journey and look forward to celebrating your achievements along the way.

I wish you a semester filled with learning, growth, meaningful connections, and success.

Sincerely,

**Vice President,
Student & Enrollment Services
Title IX Coordinator**

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Title IX visit:



Preventing Sexual
Violence in Higher
Education:



CIVILITY AWARENESS MONTH

August is National Civility Month! As we embrace this special time, let's come together to spread kindness and positivity throughout our community. Show your Bulldog spirit by doing a kind deed every day during Civility Awareness Month!

30 DAYS OF KINDNESS CHALLENGE

Throughout the month of August, participants will be encouraged to complete intentional acts of kindness that promote civility, empathy, inclusion, civic responsibility, and community engagement.

CIVILITY PRESS CONFERENCE

Date: Tuesday, August 4

Time: 9:30-10:45am

Location: Chicago Urban League
(4510 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60653)

Pastor Anthony Williams will discuss the importance of Civility Awareness month with local media outlets.

KINDNESS POP-UP TABLE

Date: Monday, August 3, & Monday, August 24

Location: Student Mall Area (2nd Floor)
Time: 1-2pm

Visit the Student Life & Leadership pop-up table to grab affirmation cards, write thank-you notes and discover ways to practice kindness and civility on campus.

SCOOP OF KINDNESS

Date: Wednesday, August 26

Time: 1-2pm

Location: SSC Atrium

Complimentary ice cream, Kindness Pledge board and distribution of affirmation cards for students and employees.

THE POWER OF CIVIL DIALOGUE

Date: Thursday, August 27

Time: 1-2pm

Location: MB Financial Room

Workshop facilitated by Dr. Anissa Jones, Dean of Student Development on the importance of

emotional intelligence and kindness to support civil discourse. Books and resources on the topic will be highlighted and reserved in the SSC Library.

CIVILITY RESOLUTION PRESENTATION

Date: Friday, August 28

Time: 1-2pm

Location: SSC Atrium

Reading of the Illinois Civility Month Resolution by Illinois Representative

William Davis, remarks from college leadership and invited officials; and the opportunity for attendees to support the Civility Pledge.



Fall 2026 Events Calendar

Sponsored by the Office of Student Life and Leadership

Bulldog Market Fall Hours



Date: Monday, August 24, 2026

Time: Monday: 2pm-4pm,
Tuesday: 11am-1pm,
Wednesday, 12pm-2pm,
Thursday, 5pm-7pm,
Friday, 1pm-3pm **Location:** Cafeteria

The on-campus food pantry offers students a variety of food options provided by the Greater Chicago Food Depository. Students must present a current SSC student ID to access the pantry.

Self-Care and Burnout Prevention

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: MB Financial Room

Student Life and Leadership will collaborate with the Multicultural Health and Wellness Center for a wellness workshop focused on stress relief, self-care, and healthy coping strategies through engaging and calming activities.

A Message from Your Student Trustee



Welcome to Fall 2026 at
South Suburban College!

I am honored to serve as your Student Trustee and represent the voice of our students. As we begin a new semester, I encourage you to get involved, take advantage of campus resources, and make meaningful connections.

Wishing you a successful and rewarding semester. Let's make Fall 2026 a great one!

Grace Ojo
Student Trustee

STUDENT APPRECIATION WEEK



MONDAY | SEPT. 14
POP INTO APPRECIATION
1–2 PM | Student Mall Area

Grab some popcorn and kick off Student Appreciation Week!

TUESDAY | SEPT. 15
DO YOU KNOW SSC? KAHOOT CHALLENGE
1–2 PM | MB Financial

Test your SSC knowledge and see how much you really know!



WEDNESDAY | SEPT. 16
WELCOME BACK WEDNESDAY
12–2 PM | SSC Courtyard

Kick off a successful school year with an opportunity to engage with other students & learn about campus clubs & resources.

THURSDAY | SEPT. 17
FUEL YOUR FUTURE
1–2 PM | MB Financial

Create your own appreciation jar filled with positive affirmations.



FRIDAY | SEPT. 18
BULLDOG SPIRIT STATION
1–2 PM | Student Mall Area – 2nd Floor

Stop by the Bulldog Spirit Station for your chance to reach inside the Bulldog Swag Bag and pull out a surprise SSC swag item. While supplies last.



SSC Toy Station Express Collection

Date: Monday, September 14th - December 1st

Time: Business hours of the college

Drop off Location: Student Life and Leadership

All toys will be given to SSC spring registered students.



Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month

Date: Month of September



Come together to learn, grow and support on a journey to mental well-being. In observance of suicide prevention and awareness visit the Student Life and Leadership webpage for resources.

Check-In Booth: Suicide Prevention & Awareness

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: Student Mall Area (2nd Floor)

Safe welcoming space for students to pause, reflect, and check in on their mental well-being. Stop by to share how you're feeling, grab your stress relief kit and resources to be reminded you're not alone.

9/11 Memorial Climb

Date: Friday, September 11, 2026

Time: 11am-12pm

Location: 1st Floor Ramp

On 9/11 first responders climbed not knowing if they'd return. Honor their sacrifice with us. The climb will begin at the first-floor ramp, and continues to the 4th floor. Return to the first floor and receive a small token.

Student Government Petitions

Date: Monday, September 14th- Thursday, September 17th

Time: Campus business hours

Location: SSC Campus

Pick-up your SGA petition packet to run for a student leadership position and make a difference on campus. For more information Contact StudentLife@ssc.edu

Voter's Registration Zone: Your Voice Starts Here, Scan to Register to Vote

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2026

Time: 12pm-1:30pm

Location: MB Financial

Students are invited to visit the Voter's Registration Zone to register to vote, check their registration status, or update their information. This interactive space makes civic engagement quick and accessible, with on-site assistance and QR codes for easy digital registration.





LATINO HERITAGE MONTH

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026 –
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026**

Latino Heritage Month Kickoff

Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: Student Mall Area (2nd Floor)

Celebrate the start of Latino Heritage Month with music, culture, and community at SSC. Students are invited to stop by for a festive kickoff honoring Latino culture and traditions.

Latino Heritage Display

Date: September 15th -October 15th

Time: Business hours of the campus

Location: Bulletin Board 2200 Hallway

Visit the Latino Heritage Display to learn about influential Latino leaders, history, culture, and contributions celebrated throughout Latino Heritage Month.

Spanish Phrase of The Week

Date: September 21st - September 25th

Time: Hours of LRC (Latino Resource Center)

Location: Latino Resource Center

Expand your language skills by learning a new Spanish phrase each day during the week. Stop by the Latino Resource Center to participate and explore Hispanic culture through language.

Latino Heritage Celebration

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2026

Time: 12pm-2:00pm

Location: Cafeteria

Join SSC as we celebrate Latino Heritage Month! Enjoy food, games, and fun history trivia while learning more about Latino culture and heritage.

Meet the SGA Candidates

Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: MB Financial Room

Meet your SGA candidates and learn more about their platforms. Students are encouraged to ask questions, share ideas, and engage in conversation about improving campus life.

Student Government Elections

Date: Tuesday, September 22, 2026 - Thursday, September 24, 2026

Time: Campus Business Hours

Location: SSC Campus

Students can actively participate in shaping the future of our campus by voting in the Student Government Elections.

Student Clubs and Connections

Date: Wednesday, September 22, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: Student Mall Area (2nd Floor)

Explore student organizations, connect with campus leaders, and learn how to start your own club.

STAND UP. SPEAK OUT. STOP HAZING

Stand Up. Speak Out. Stop Hazing Rally

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2026

Time: 9am-11am

Location: Free-speech area (1st Floor)

Join us in taking a stand against hazing. Learn how your voice and actions can help promote respect, accountability, and belonging for all students.



“Find Your Why” Reflection & Goal Mapping Experience.

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2026

Time: 12pm-1pm

Location: MB Financial Room

Take time to pause, reflect, and refocus. This interactive experience helps students explore their motivations, set meaningful goals, and create a clear path toward personal and academic success.

See the Signs. Break the Silence: Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Date: Entire month of October

Time: Campus Business Hours

Location: 2nd Floor Ramp

An interactive awareness display designed to educate students on the warning signs of abuse while providing access to important resources and support services.



A Walk for Pink

Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2026

Time: 12pm-1pm

Location: SSC Atrium



Wear your pink and join Student Life & Leadership for the "Walk for Pink"! Lace up your sneakers and walk the perimeter of the Main Campus as we raise breast cancer awareness and show our support. Register by Friday, September 25, at StudentLife@ssc.edu.

Leadership Workshop

Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: SGA Office

Join us for an interactive leadership workshop focused on building communication, teamwork, and leadership skills to help students grow both personally and professionally.

Fall Fest

Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2026

Time: 1pm-2pm

Location: PAC

Celebrate the season at Fall Fest! Join us for an afternoon of seasonal activities, music, food, and fun while connecting with campus resources. Students will also have the opportunity to register for the Spring 2027 semester on the spot, meet with campus departments, and learn about the services and programs available to support their success.

Día de Muertos Ofrenda

Date: October 26 - November 2

Time: Business Hours of the campus

Location: 2200 Hallway Bulletin Board

Students and staff are invited to honor and remember loved ones by submitting photos and small non-perishable items to be displayed on the Día de Muertos Ofrenda. Informational boards will also share the traditions and meaning behind the celebration. Contact Latino Resource Center Liaison, Fernando Diaz, Fdiaz@ssc.edu for more information.

Red Ribbon Awareness Campaign

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2026

Time: 12pm-1pm

Location: Student Mall Area (2nd Floor)



Students can pick up red ribbons, educational materials, and facts about HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention, and testing.

Finals Surviving Station

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2026

Time: 12pm-1pm

Location: Student Mall Area (2nd Floor)

Get Prepared, stay organized, and finish the semester strong. Gear up for finals week with everything you need to study smarter, not harder. While supplies last!

VETERANS APPRECIATION WEEK



Veterans Appreciation

Date: Monday Nov 9- Friday November 13

Time: Business Hours of the College

Location: SSC Atrium

In honor of Veterans Appreciation Day, there will be a special display dedicated to honoring our very own SSC Veterans.

Veterans Resource Fair

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2026

Time: 12pm-2pm

Location: SSC Atrium

Stop by a meaningful event dedicated to connecting veterans with valuable campus and community resources.

Las Posadas Refreshment and Craft Hour

Date: December 9

Time: 1:00pm-2:00pm

Location: MB Financial Room

Students and staff are invited to enjoy Mexican hot chocolate and pan dulce while creating simple holiday decorations and learning about the traditions of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The event will also feature a display honoring her significance in Mexican culture, along with a Christmas tree decorated with traditional Mexican ornaments. Contact Latino Resource Center Liaison, Fernando Diaz, Fdiaz@ssc.edu for more information.

SSC Toy Station Express

Date: Wednesday, December 16, 2026

Time: 4pm-6pm

Location: SSC Atrium

Register for the Spring semester & Join the Holiday Fun! Come out to the SSC Toy Station Express and enjoy a festive holiday moment on campus. While Supplies Last!





FALL 2026 STUDENT SUCCESS SEMINARS

Please email AAC@ssc.edu with any questions.

How to Navigate Your Online Courses

Tuesday, August 11, 9am - 10am

Wednesday, August 12th, 1pm - 2pm

Monday, August 17, 9am - 10am

Monday, August 17, 1pm - 2pm

Monday, August 17, 3pm - 4pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager—Career Center, Rm. 2250

Do you have questions about your Online or Virtual course? You aren't alone. Join us for a brief walkthrough of D2L, Bongo, and we will answer the questions you have about your online courses.

Setting S.M.A.R.T. Goals

Tuesday, August 18, 2pm - 3pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager—Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264

Learning how to set goals for yourself is crucial to moving forward in college and life, but a poorly planned goal can lead to failure and frustration. Please join us for "Setting S.M.A.R.T. Goals," where we will discuss the S.M.A.R.T. goal-setting method and how you can create productive goals for yourself.

Strategies for a Successful Semester

Thursday, August 20, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Presented by Rebecca Arnold, AAC Student Specialist—AAC, Room 2264

New to SSC? Looking for ways to have a more successful semester this Spring? Unsure what resources may be available to you? In this in-person seminar, AAC Student Specialist Rebecca Arnold will talk about several habits of highly effective students, campus resources that are available to you, and strategies to get the most out of your classes.

Strategies for Taking Effective Notes

Thursday, August 20, 1pm - 2pm

Tuesday, September 1, 1pm - 2pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager—Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264

Taking effective notes can make all the difference when studying for an exam. Join us in this seminar where we will discuss and practice a variety of notetaking strategies that will make studying easier.

How to be Organized

Thursday, August 27, 11am - 12pm

Presented by Rebecca Arnold, AAC Student Specialist—AAC, Rm. 2264

Losing your assignments or notes can cause a lot of unnecessary stress and extra work. This hour-long seminar will help you learn how to organize your course materials (and more!) to help you become a more successful student.

How to Manage Time Effectively

Thursday, August 27, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Presented by Roger DeSouza, Student Specialist—AAC, Room 2264

So many things to do, so little time to do them! Do you find yourself in this category? If so, join AAC Student Specialist Roger DeSouza to learn about the fundamentals of time management. The myths, facts, and features of time management will also be explained.

The Basics of APA Citations

Wednesday, September 2, 11am - 12pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager—Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264

Do you find APA citations confusing? Then you will benefit from attending this seminar, where we will discuss the basics of creating in-text citations, reference lists, and formatting your APA paper correctly. In addition, we will share other helpful resources for making sure your work is properly cited.

The Basics of MLA Citations

Thursday, September 3, 2pm - 3pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager—Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264

Do you find MLA citations confusing? Then you will benefit from attending this seminar, where we will discuss the basics of creating in-text citations, works-cited pages, and formatting your MLA paper correctly. In addition, we will share other helpful resources for making sure your work is properly cited.

Working with Fractions

Tuesday, September 8, 2pm – 3 pm

Tuesday, November 3, 2pm – 3 pm

Presented by Rebecca Arnold, AAC Student Specialist—AAC, Rm. 2264

Working with Fractions is a seminar designed to review adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions. Whether you're looking for a general review or looking for help to study for your MTH 093 Midterm, this seminar will help you feel more confident with your fraction arithmetic.

How to Manage Test Anxiety

Thursday, September 10, 11am - 12pm

Wednesday, October 7, 11am - 12pm

Thursday, November 5, 11am - 12pm

Wednesday, December 2, 11am - 12pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager — Multicultural Wellness Center, Rm. 2348

Even the best students can become anxious while taking a test. Join us for our “How to Manage Test Anxiety” seminar, where we will discuss strategies for relieving test anxiety before and during the test. Additionally, we will present resources available to SSC students experiencing persistent anxiety.

Study Tips and Techniques

Thursday, September 17, 11 am – 12 pm

Presented by Rebecca Arnold, AAC Student Specialist-AAC — Rm. 2264

Everyone has a different method of studying. What works for your friend may not work for you! It's important to know several different study techniques. During this seminar with AAC Student Specialist Rebecca Arnold, you can learn a wide variety of study tips and techniques that can help you in any course.

Managing Midterm Stress

Tuesday, October 6, 1pm - 2pm

Presented by Monique Mobley, Student Assistance Program (SAP) Therapist from All One Health — Multicultural Wellness Center, Rm. 2348

Do midterms stress you out? Are you tired from all of the studying you have done the past several weeks? Then join us for a seminar on strategies you can use to manage your stress and improve your mental health in the long term.

Basic Computer Operations

Thursday, October 15, 2pm-3 pm

Presented by Roger DeSouza, AAC Student Specialist—AAC, Rm. 2264

Technology has impacted every aspect of our lives. Those who have limited to no knowledge of computers are disadvantaged in today's job market. Join this session and learn the skills you need to hunt for jobs, attach files to emails, write cover letters, and create a resume.

Mastering Personal Statements and Recommendation Letters

Tuesday, October 20, 1pm - 2pm

Presented by William Radtke, AAC Manager—Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264

Do you have difficulty writing personal statements? Do you dread asking for letters of recommendation for your college applications? Then please join us for our seminar and learn about strategies for creating an effective personal statement and the Do's and Don'ts of asking for letters of recommendation.

Factoring

Thursday, November 19, 11am - 12pm

*Presented by Rebecca Arnold, AAC Student Specialist—
Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264*

This in-person factoring seminar will review all the factoring methods presented in MTH 095 and MTH 097. This seminar is perfect for students enrolled in MTH 095 or MTH 097, who are preparing for their final exams.

How to Study for Final Exams

Friday, December 4, 1pm - 1:50pm

*Presented by Sarah McAley, AAC Academic and Career
Advisor—Academic Assistance Center, Rm. 2264*

Even the best students can become anxious while taking a test. Join us for our "How to Manage Test Anxiety" seminar, where we will discuss strategies for relieving test anxiety before and during the test. Additionally, we will present resources available to SSC students experiencing persistent anxiety.

Student Resources

Bulldog Market

Cafeteria

Monday: 2pm-4pm,

Tuesday: 11am-1pm,

Wednesday, 12pm-2pm,

Thursday, 5pm-7pm,

Friday, 1pm-3pm

Contact Student Life & Leadership

Room# 2329 or Ext: 5737

Housing Resources

My Entry Point

(877)426-6515

Entry Point: Connect

Myentrypoint.org

Respond Now

(708) 755-4357

Respondnow.org/resources

SAP (Student Assistance Program)

800-456-6327

On Campus Contact:

Monique Mobley

Email: MMobley@ssc.edu

708-596-2000 Ext: 2511

SSC Homelessness Liaison

Multicultural Wellness Center

Room: 2350

Latino Resources Center

Centro de Recursos Latino

Main Campus (Room 2363)

Monday – Friday

(708) 596-2000, ext. 2214

LRC@ssc.edu

Veterans Resources Center

Main Campus (Room 2363)

Monday – Friday

(708) 596-2000, ext. 2233

VRC@ssc.edu

Academic Assistance Center: Rm. 2264,
Ext. 2397 • AAC@ssc.edu

College & Career Success Center: Room 2350,
Ext. 5724

Campus Police: Room 1215, Ext. 2235

Clubs and Organizations: Rm. 2329, Ext. 5737 •
StudentLife@ssc.edu

Financial Aid: Rm. 2134, Ext. 5780 • sscfinaid@
ssc.edu

Library: Rm. 1249, Ext. 5751 • ReferenceDesk@
ssc.edu

Math Lab: Room 3260

Reading Center: Rm. 3228, Ext. 2899

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Office:** Rm. 2268, Ext. 2572 • DisabilityServices@
ssc.edu

Speaking Center: Rm. 3236, Ext. 2368

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SSC Foundation: Room 2134 • foundation@ssc.
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Transfer Center: Rm. 2250, Ext. 5724

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