

AHS Parent Newsletter: Friday, Oct. 14

Principal's Message

Homecoming week is wrapping up. The amount of teen spirit on campus today is amazing. I'm writing this before the rally so I am hoping to report to you next week that the latter half of today was as fun as the first half. I didn't visit float building this year so I am looking forward to seeing all the creativity that the students put into their floats tonight during halftime of the varsity game against Arroyo. Although a short week for students, I hope they have enjoyed the week. I know it exhausted me, but it is worth it if it creates lasting memories for them. I always consider these days as payback to Mr. Berry, Mr. Morash, Ms. Summers, and all the other teachers who had to tolerate me and my immaturity on days such as these when I was in high school. We still have the football game, halftime floats, parade of the homecoming court, and band performance tonight; I'm looking forward to all of it in addition to the football game.

Homecoming Dance

We were pleased to see a lot of interest in tomorrow night's Homecoming Dance. Tickets are no longer on sale for the dance, but we were happy to see more than 400 students buying tickets for the dance. The dance will be held in the New Gym here on campus -- doors will open at 6:30 pm and the dance will end at 9:30 pm. Staff members volunteer to supervise the dance, so please be timely in picking up your child if they are going to the dance. After the long week of Homecoming and their giving up their Saturday evening, it can be a bit frustrating when staff members have to wait around an hour or more after the dance ends because a student hasn't been picked up. It would be great if all students attending the dance were picked up no later than 9:45 pm. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this.

End of the Quarter

Today is also the last day of the first quarter. Teachers will work between now and Wednesday to grade projects and papers and any last tests; grades will be submitted by next Wednesday. For students, all work for this quarter is due today unless an individual teacher has made other arrangements with them. Grades should be posted by next Friday. A reminder to any basketball and soccer players: these grades will be the determinant for sports eligibility this winter. The semester grades in December may also impact a player's eligibility.

Senior Panoramic Picture

Seniors will take their Senior Panoramic picture on Tuesday, October 18 during SMART period.

Summer Travel 2024

The following was sent to me by a group of AHS teachers and sounds like an incredible opportunity for someone who is interested: 2024 Summer travel opportunity! Love nature? See the Amazon before it disappears! Computer Science teacher, Nancy Read, is planning another summer travel experience, this time in conjunction with our AHS Spanish Department! Sra. Speckels and Sr. Viera plan to join her in leading a group of students to experience the Peruvian Amazon in June 2024. *Registering early for this amazing opportunity ensures an affordable experience*. To learn more, please attend an informational meeting on Zoom next Thursday, 10/20, at 7pm. Register for the zoom link https://bit.ly/3TIKMEu.

School Site Council

AHS will have our first School Site Council meeting this coming Wednesday, October 19, at 5:30 pm on Zoom. At this first meeting, we will review our goals for this year; look at some of the data from last Spring's California Healthy Kids Survey; and discuss the 2022-23 school year to date. The council members include: Montserrat Arellanes, Nelly Baranyi, Sara Custer, Charlie Ferguson, Stephanie Hipps, Lily Le, Alice Myeroff, Natalie Olsen, Rebecca Shoshan, and myself. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time to provide perspective and suggestions to help make AHS a better place. The meeting is open to all and if you'd like to join us, the link is: https://alamedaunified.zoom.us/j/82738612259

If you have any questions or concerns, you may email me at rithurburn@alamedaunified.org or you can call the school at (510) 337 – 7022 and I will try to address them.

Sincerely,

Robert Ithurburn Hornet Pride!!

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	Saturday, October 15th, 2022	
6:30pm-9:30pm	Homecoming Dance	New Gym
8:00am 4:15pm 5:30pm 6:45pm 6:00-8:00pm	Monday, October 17th, 2022 Women's Golf-All Levels Women's Volleyball Freshman vs Piedmont Women's Volleyball JV vs Piedmont Women's Volleyball Varsity vs Piedmont College Application Help Night	Period 0-6 Monarch Bay GC AHS New Gym AHS New Gym AHS New Gym Media Center Pit
SMART 1:20pm/SMART 3:45pm 4:00pm 4:45pm 5:45pm 6:30pm	Tuesday, October 18th, 2022 Senior Panoramic Picture Oberlin College (in person) Women's Tennis All Level vs Berkeley Men's Water Polo JV vs Piedmont Men's Water Polo Varsity Women's Water Polo Varsity vs Piedmont Women's Water Polo JV vs Piedmont	Per 0,1,2,5, smart,6 New Gym CCC Berkeley Hearst Tennis Cts EHS Swim Center
3:30-4:30pm 3:30pm 3:30pm 4:00pm 5:15pm 6:30pm 5:30pm 6:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, October 19th, 2022 Dartmouth College (virtual) Cross Country All Levels Meet Women's Tennis JV vs Tennyson Women's Volleyball Freshman vs O'Dowd Women's Volleyball JV vs O'Dowd Women's Volleyball Varsity vs O'Dowd School Site Council Meeting College Application Help Night	Periods 0,1,3,4,6 CCC Oyster Bay AHS Tennis Courts BOD Knauss Gym BOD Knauss Gym BOD Knauss Gym Zoom Media Center Pit
8:30 – 10:30 am 1:20pm/SMART 3:15pm 3:30pm 3:30pm 4:00pm 4:15pm 5:00pm 7:00pm	Thursday, October 20th, 2022 Make Up Picture Day (by appt) Pomona College (in person) Men's Water Polo JV vs Encinal Women's Tennis All Level vs Piedmont Women's Tennis JV vs Piedmont Men's Water Polo JV vs Encinal Women's Water Polo vs Encinal Women's Water Polo vs Encinal Brown University (must RSVP)	Per 0,2,3,4, smart,5 C208 CCC EHS Swim Center AHS Tennis Courts TBA EHS Swim Center EHS Swim Center EHS Swim Center Kofman Auditorium
4:15pm 7:00pm	Friday, October 21st, 2022 Football JV vs Newark Memorial Football Varsity vs Newark Memorial	Periods 0-6 Thompson Field Thompson Field