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ARHS Happenings Newsletter



So much of our culture is focused around lamenting school. Television advertisements celebrate the liberation of parents based on the start of the school year. Children are taught to dread Mondays and love Fridays. This year at ARHS, we are celebrating the beginning of school and gearing up for an amazing school year where we will “make it happen.” As you read last week, the first day of school on Monday, August 29th, will begin at 7:34 **for all students**. We ask all students to wear Amity gear/clothing (even if it is from middle school), as we will be having our very **first school spirit day this Monday**. Freshmen will arrive and report directly to the

cafeteria and follow the Link Crew Freshman Orientation program. Sophomores, juniors and seniors will report to their homeroom/Spartan Seminar locations for a brief overview of the day's activities and will then move to their designated location to begin the speaker series by 8:00am. More information about the speakers for the "Spartan Stories" speaker program can be found [here](#).

We are so excited to start the school year and can't wait to welcome all of our students to ARHS on Monday. Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon
Principal

High School Happenings and Information

Monday Schedule/Student Summer Work: As mentioned, we will be holding a special schedule on Monday where we will celebrate welcoming students back to school and focus on building a community where we "make it happen!" Due to the focus of the day, and the limited time in the class schedule, **all summer work will be due starting on the first day of class on Tuesday, August 30th.**

Underclassmen Picture Days: Underclass pictures will be taken during English classes on Thursday, September 1st and Friday, September 2nd; English teachers will inform their classes of which day to prepare for. Documentation with photo package information will be distributed during homeroom on Tuesday, August 30th. Please disregard the dates on the top of the order forms, as they are incorrect. If you would prefer not to fill out the hard copy order form, we're excited to offer you the opportunity to order and prepay for your child's photos online—just visit the yearbook website, amitymembers.com. If you have any questions, please contact the yearbook advisor, Ken Clark, at ken.clark@reg5.k12.ct.us.

Exciting News! During the month of August, Amity Regional School was listed in the "Top 10 in-demand school districts" in the country by Realtor.com.

Amity High School PTSO: Join the PTSO to support your students and school. Mail in your form today and guarantee yourself an Amity High School Student Directory, which will be mailed in the fall. Some of the many things the PTSO contributes to are senior scholarships, the Amity Hall of Honor, Teacher of the Year Award, Link Crew, Student Government, senior t-shirts and breakfast, the Holiday Family Outreach, and various luncheons and refreshments. Membership is \$15 for families and \$10 for faculty. A PTSO Membership Form can be found [here](#). Join today and support Amity High School PTSO! There is also an option to join the PTSO [online](#).

Support the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation: The Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation is a tremendous supporter of arts educational experiences at Amity Regional School District. To support the arts at Amity, the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation runs a number of fundraisers throughout the year. Come out on Saturday, September 10th at the Quick Center on the campus of Fairfield University. Please come for a fun night and to support the arts at Amity. More information can be found [here](#).

National Art Honor Society Calendar Fundraiser: District Calendars have arrived and are being sold through the National Art Honor Society. Calendars are filled with important contact information for the district, a plethora of important dates, and fabulous student artwork. The District Calendar has been recognized by the Connecticut State Board of Education for excellence in school publications. The District Calendar will be available for purchase for \$10.00 at the Back to School Nights. All proceeds benefit the Amity National Art Honor Society. For more information or to arrange purchase of a District Calendar, please contact the National

Art Honor Society Advisory, Jessica Zamachaj at jessica.zamachaj@reg5.k12.ct.us.

?Booster Club Sign Up: Join the Amity Athletics Booster Club! We are dedicated to supporting ALL of Amity's Athletes and Teams. Your membership provides support for projects and purchases outside of the regular athletic budget. See our page on the Amity Athletics webpage for a full list of our contributions. The membership form can be found [here](#).

Important Reminders

2016-2017 Student Schedules/Form Sign Off: Student Schedules were available in PowerSchool beginning last week. Please ask your child to take some time to identify the location of his/her Spartan Seminar (the same room as homeroom). All sophomores, juniors and seniors will be reporting directly to that location on Monday morning, August 29th. When students and parents first log on, you will be prompted to read and sign off on important documents, such as the student handbook, TurnItIn and the acceptable use policy forms. Please note: when you are prompted with this page, you must read and indicate you have done so on the form in order to access your PowerSchool account.

Student Agenda Pads: School-issued agenda pads for the 2016-2017 school year will be distributed on Tuesday, August 30th to all students.

One Book/One Amity: As a reminder, this year's school-wide summer reading is *The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind*. We will be discussing the book throughout the first semester as a part of our school-wide theme of "Make It Happen." Students will be assessed during the first two weeks of school through English class.

Back-to-School Nights: Mark your calendars, Back-to-School Night for parents of 9th and 12th grade students will be held on Thursday, September 8th. Back-to-School Night for parents of 10th and 11th grade students is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14th. Back-to-School Nights begin at 6:30 pm in the Brady Center. More information about Back-to-School Nights can be found [here](#).

Student Parking: [Student parking](#) at Amity High School is restricted to juniors and seniors. Eligible students who wish to drive to school must register their vehicles and pay a \$100.00 registration fee. Payments will only be accepted online using the MyPaymentsPlus System. Students must provide a copy of their driver's license and complete the attached vehicle registration [form](#). Vehicle registration forms must be returned to the attendance secretary in the Main Office. Please find directions for accessing and paying the registration fee using MyPaymentsPlus [here](#).

Notes from the Counseling Department

Schedule Changes: As a reminder, schedule changes may only be made for students missing courses or requesting additional electives. Please come to the counseling department to fill out a schedule change form for your counselor.

Important ARHS Dates/Social Media: In an effort to communicate early and often, the counseling department has created a brief list of important dates for the 2016-2017 school year. In addition, we will be updating our website and sending information through our newsletter and, in certain cases, AlertSolutions (i.e. weather related impacts and emergency announcements). Please see [this list](#) of important dates and social media contacts.

Athletics at Amity

Fall registration and tryouts: Fall athletics for the high school began Thursday, August 25th. All athletes must register online and have a physical on record with the nurse that is valid from August 25th through November 15th. Athletes must be marked APPROVED on the Form Release registration site prior to an athlete being able to participate. Please follow this [link](#) to our athletics webpage which has the registration information and tryout information as well. GO SPARTANS!

Amity Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame: The Amity Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame will induct six new members at the annual Amity Hall of Fame Dinner on **Thursday October 6, 2016** at Grassy Hill Country Club in Orange CT at 5:30 p.m. The 2016 inductees include: Debbie Davis, unified sports coach and physical education teacher; Jeffery Lassen class of 1979, baseball and basketball; Chrissy (Parmelee) McVeety, Class of 2002, volleyball, basketball, and softball; Gina Mondo, Class of 2005, softball; Theresa Napolitano, field hockey and softball coach; Joseph Seymour, Class of 1975, ice hockey. The dinner tickets for this event are \$45 in advance with a purchase deadline of September 29th. Make checks made payable to the Amity Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame and send to Amity High School Athletic Department Att. Lori Bonney 25 Newton Rd. Woodbridge CT 06525

Community Happenings:

GirlUp Fundraiser: The ARHS Girl Up Club is hosting a fundraiser at the Milford Chipotle Friday, September 2nd. Enjoy a burrito bowl and feel extra good knowing that 50% of the profits will help to end the high rates of violence young girls face in many third-world countries. It's simple. Eat Chipotle: help save the world. Please see this [flyer](#) for more information.

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