



ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS



MAY 2018

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

MRS. HAMMER - ELEMENTARY

MR. LICHTY — HS/MS

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

As we enter the month of May and the last few weeks of school for the 2017-2018 school year, students and staff are very busy with end of the year activities. Awards programs, concerts, sporting events, and student programs highlight the month of May. Please check the district calendar and support our students with your attendance at these celebrations. Students will likewise be in a celebration mood with their last day of school arriving Friday, May 18.

As the end of the year approaches, I can't help but think back to all the amazing things that took place in our school this year. Thank you to all the parents and family members that worked with us to ensure our students received the best education possible. I'm extremely proud of not only our accomplishments in the classroom, but the constant drive our students displayed to work on building "Character." I saw "Teamwork" all around the building as we focused on that trait in April. To wrap up the year, our students will be working on "Motivation." As the weather gets nicer, we need to motivate ourselves to finish the school year strong.

SPRING ASSESSMENTS - We will be wrapping up Spring Assessments during the first week of the month. I would like to thank the students for their effort. I'd also like to thank the staff for their dedication and effort in preparing our students.

BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL
 Apr 30 5:00 @ North Central
 May 3 5:00 @ Woodlan
 May 4 5:00 Home w/Eastside
 May 7 5:00 Home w/Montpelier
 May 8 5:00 Home w/Crestview

The end of April and the first two weeks of May are also times to celebrate and recognize the efforts of our faculty. School Secretaries Appreciation Day was Wednesday, April 25. Ohio School Bus Driver Appreciation Day is designated for May 7. May 7-11 is National Teacher Appreciation Week with May 8 as National Teacher Day. May 9 has been designated National School Nurse Day. Please make an effort during this time frame to thank a bus driver, teacher, aide, school nurse, or other school employee who made a difference in your child's life. We are proud of all our employees and believe they make a huge difference in the lives of children every day.

We have several field trips coming up this month. Depending on the grade level, our students will be visiting places such as Science Central, the canals at Grand Rapids, Sauder Village, Spangler Candy Factory, and the local park.

SENIORS - Please remember that all academic requirements must be met and all school fees/fines must be paid prior to graduation practice. Students must take part in graduation practice during the morning of Thursday, May 17 in order to participate in our Commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 20.

JV BASEBALL
 May 1 5:00 Home w/Fairview
 May 2 4:00 @ Hicksville

The Class of 2018, our 134th graduating class from Antwerp High School, will celebrate Commencement on May 20 at 2:00 p.m. with doors opening at 12:30. The ceremony will take place in the Main Gymnasium. The senior video will be shown in the Auditoria beginning at 12:30. This 15 minute video, with highlights of the Class of 2018, will be continuously looped until 1:50. We congratulate our senior class on their many accomplishments in reaching this milestone and wish them the best as they continue on a journey of lifelong learning.

Our kindergarten recently visited our local Subway, bank, and post office to learn about our local businesses. Thank you to all three establishments for allowing our students to check out our local businesses and meet some awesome people that work in our community.

GRADE CARDS - Middle School and High School grade cards will be available on Friday May 25 in the High School office.

GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL
 May 1 5:00 @ Ottoville
 May 4 5:00 @ North Central
 May 5 11:00 Home w/Hilltop
 May 8 5:00 Home w/Lincolnview
 May 11 5:00 @ Woodlan

Several construction projects will start up during the summer months. Work will get underway in late May and early June with the installation of a new bleacher system on the east side of the Football/Track complex. Meanwhile, plans have been completed to upgrade our sound systems in the auditoria, both gymnasiums, and music classrooms. We will also replace the hot water tank, boilers, and pipework in our boiler room with a state of the art solar powered hot water system. In addition, the main gymnasium floor will be refurbished and painted during the month of July.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT - Our first and second graders have been working hard to support our local animal shelter. First graders made dogs and cats using paper mache, and these animals were adopted by people from our Facebook page for \$5.00. All proceeds went to the local animal shelter. In addition, our second graders made dog toys and sold them to people in our building. They also donated their proceeds to the shelter. Thank you to everyone that adopted an animal or bought a dog toy!

ACADEMIC AWARDS ASSEMBLY - Our annual Academic Awards assembly will be held on Wednesday May 2, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditoria. Families will be notified of awards to be received prior to May 2. Our first batch of invitations have already been mailed. We will continue to contact families as scholarship award information becomes available.

JV SOFTBALL
 Apr 30 5:00 Home w/Woodlan
 May 3 5:00 Home w/Wayne Trace

Energy production data from our Solar Array can now be viewed on the school website by clicking on the picture of the solar array. The Dashboard icon screen will appear and provides numerous forms of data for viewing. The data is updated every three minutes. Viewers can also click on the Power Flow icon to view an animated screen that shows the "real time" flow of power from the solar array to our building and out to the power grid.

AWARDS - Our volunteer breakfast and elementary awards ceremony will be held the morning of the last day of school. We invite those who volunteered in the elementary this year to attend our volunteer breakfast from 7:15-8:00 a.m. in the auditoria. Also, everyone is welcome to attend our elementary awards ceremonies. Our ceremony for grades 3-5 will be at 8:30, with our K-2 ceremony starting at 9:15.

Thank you to everyone involved in making this school year a success!

VARSAITY TRACK & FIELD
 Apr 30 4:30 w/Edgtn/Cntl/Ft.Jennings
 May 4 4:30 Antwerp Invitational
 May 11 4:00 GMC @ Ayersville
 May 14 4:30 @ Paulding/Wayne Trace
 May 17 TBA District @ TBA
 May 19 TBA District @ TBA

I want to thank the community for the support given to the Staff throughout this school year. Antwerp is a wonderful school district with excellent staff, students, and parents. The 2018-2019 school year will begin Wednesday, August 22. In the meantime, enjoy the long summer days with your family and friends.
 ~ Dr. Miller

ELEMENTARY GRADE CARDS - Grade cards will be sent home the week after school is out. If you have not already done so, please send in your child's self-addressed and stamped grade card envelope. Otherwise, you may pick up the grade card in the office the week after school is out during normal hours. Additionally, please be sure your school fees and library fees for missing books are up-to-date in order to receive your child's grade card.

GUIDANCE NEWS

The AP Exam schedule is as follows:
 Mon., May 7 AP Chemistry (AM)
 AP Psychology (PM)
 Tues., May 8 AP Physics (PM)
 Tues., May 15 AP Calculus (AM)
 Wed., May 16 AP Eng/Comp (AM)
 Thurs., May 17 AP Statistics (PM)

JUNIOR HIGH TRACK & FIELD
 Apr 30 4:30 @ Ayrsvl/Frvw/St.Paul
 May 8 4:30 @ Paulding Relays
 May 15 4:00 GMC @ Hicksville

KINDERGARTEN - It is not too late to register for kindergarten. Call the elementary office for details at 419-258-5421, ext. 2200. Your child will need to participate in a kindergarten screening to enter kindergarten in the fall.

INNOVATION CENTER

Plans continue to be discussed and examined regarding the creation of an *Innovation and Aqua-Horticulture Center (IAH Center)* to be located in the patio area at the school. Funding for the project will come from funds received through the wind turbine farm payments received by the school. Initial estimates are that the school will receive \$190,000 a year. The *IAH Center* will serve as the hub for our STEM and STEAM initiatives and will capitalize on the success, momentum, and enthusiasm students and staff have exhibited within the initiatives. Coinciding with the development of the *IAH Center*, our staff will receive professional development opportunities that will assist with the acceleration of a culture of teaching and learning within a STEM/STEAM framework. The professional development opportunities will enhance our teaching to advance student academic achievement, student engagement, and inquiry based learning.

DISTRICT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 2 HS Academic Awards 6:30
 May 7 Show Choir Auditions
 May 13 Mother's Day
 May 15 Last Day of Class for Seniors
 May 17 Seniors-Graduation Practice
 May 18 Volunteer Breakfast 7:15-8:00
 May 18 Elementary Awards 3-5 8:30
 May 18 Elementary Awards K-2 9:15
 May 18 Last Day of School for K-11
 May 20 Graduation 2:00
 May 25 Grade Cards Ready for Pickup
 May 28 Memorial Day

HERE'S THE SCOOP!

Tues., May 1 Chicken Nuggets, Baked Fries, Warm Apples, Milk
Wed., May 2 Fish on Bun, Peas, Orange Smiles, Milk
Thurs., May 3 Vegetable Soup, Bread & Butter, Cheese Stick, Pears, Milk
Fri., May 4 Pepperoni Pizza, Carrots, Applesauce, Milk

The complete menu is available on our website or feel free to pick up a copy in any of our offices.
Happy summer from your Lunch Ladies!

LAST CALL FOR YEARBOOKS
 Yearbook orders will be accepted until May 18 for HS/MS (\$45) and Elementary (\$15).

OPEN ENROLLMENT

We still have a few Open Enrollment forms that have not yet been returned to us for the 2018-2019 school year. These are for families who do not reside in our district, but their children attend here. If you have not yet returned your form, please send it in this week so you can be given full consideration.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

The Athletic Boosters are taking donations now for the 2018-19 sports programs. Your donation of \$20 or more will designate you as a patron in the program. Please email tomdee94@metalink.net to have a form emailed to you. Your donation can be mailed to: Antwerp Athletic Boosters, Attn: Deanna Wann, PO Box 615, Antwerp, OH 45813 by Friday May 18 for the 2018-2019 school year. Be sure to list your name exactly as you would like it to appear in the program. (Ex: Mr. & Mrs. John Doe/ John & Jane Doe, John & Jane Doe Family)