

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 5, 2020

❖ Welcome and Introduction

❖ Athletic Attendance Policy – Lisa Quednow, Activities Director

- AHS is looking to review the current attendance policy for student athletes.
 - The current policy requires students to be in attendance at school the entire day of an event unless they have a medical excuse. Also, they cannot have an unexcused absence the day after the event.
- Parents should contact Lisa Quednow, Activities Director, if they are interested in being a part of the committee to review the current policy.

❖ Testing – Joe Ott, AHS Counselor

- ACT Test – Tuesday, February 25
 - College entrance exam
 - Open to all Junior students at AHS
- AP Tests – various dates in May
 - Open to students who are taking a corresponding AP Course
 - Students who score a 3, 4, or 5 may be eligible to earn college credits
- ASVAB – monthly test dates
 - Armed Services exam which helps to assess which jobs students are best suited to perform
- MCA's – April 14-15
 - State mandated testing to measure student's progress in academic standards
- MTAS
 - MCA Test alternative designed for eligible students
- Access
 - Assessment which measures student progress in learning the English language

❖ Registration Update – Andrea Malo

- Students are working on completing their 4-year high school plan
- Registration information can be found on the AHS Website at:
<https://www.austin.k12.mn.us/ahs/Pages/counseling/registration.aspx>

❖ Step Up – Andrea Malo

- Summer internship opportunity for eligible junior students
- Applications are due February 24th

❖ Construction – Andrea Malo

- Some areas of the AHS Office, Counseling Office, and Food Service are getting paint and new flooring due to an unexpected water leak and flooding.
- Construction in the Annex continues to progress.
 - Starting to drywall on the second level.
 - Band and Orchestra classes may be in their new rooms by the end of March or early April.