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From Mr. Shockley...



On Thursday, October 29, AHS will administer the PreACT in grade 9 and the PSAT in grades 10 and 11. Students in grades 9-11 will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Thursday, October 29. Bus transportation service will be provided.

Freshmen will take the PreACT. In addition to being a practice for the ACT, a college admissions test, the PreACT includes a very useful career and skills interest inventory. We use the PreACT to help students consider career options and to measure col-

lege readiness.

Sophomores and juniors will take the PSAT. The PSAT is a practice SAT and measures college readiness. PSAT scores are used for course placement and help us evaluate student progress. For juniors, scores from the PSAT may qualify them for the National Merit Scholarship Competition (NMSC) where they can earn National Merit Commended, Semifinalist, or Finalist recognition as well as numerous scholarships.

Due to the PSAT on Thursday, October 29, <u>seniors will not need to attend school on this day.</u> We encourage you to plan college visits, military recruitment meetings, or even a job shadow. You may continue researching and completing college applications and scholarships. You might also take care of any doctor appointments, etc. if possible. Please take advantage of October 29 to accomplish something for your senior year and beyond.

As you review the parent newsletter, enjoy reading about the success of our students who have earned National Merit Semifinalist and Commended recognitions. See photos from Fall Sports and Band Senior Nights, along with a peek into a few of the classrooms at AHS. Also, read the "Guidance" section to stay abreast of upcoming events and deadlines that are important to note for your student.

Remember that <u>Fall Break is Monday</u>, October 12 through Friday, October 23. All AHS offices will be closed during the two week recess. Work permits will be completed at ACSC Admin Center on State Road 36.

GO ORIOLES!

Save the Dates



September 30 Parking Lot Pops

October 3 SAT Exam

October 5 9th-11th Grade Picture Day (Retakes or New to Avon)

October 7 1 Hour Delay

October 8 12th Grade Picture Day (Retakes or New to Avon)

October 12-23 Fall Break No School

October 29 9th Grade Pre-ACT, 10th-11th Grade PSAT, 12 Grade No School

EARLY DISMISSALS

Please **email** early dismissal information to <u>AHSStudentServices@avon-schools.org</u>. Please include **student name, grade, time student is to be dismissed and reason for dismissal**. Or, you may call Student Services at 317-544-5000 ext. 5200 and leave a message with all of the aforementioned information. We will deliver the early dismissal pass to the student before dismissal time.

BUS PASSES

We will not be providing bus passes for the 2020-2021 school year.

ATTENDANCE

If your child misses school or is late for <u>any reason</u>, call the Attendance line, <u>317-544-5000</u>, option #1, 24 hours a day.

Students will be marked 'unverified' (unexcused) without a call from a parent.

If your student was marked unverified in a class for the day, you will receive an automated call that evening. An unverified absence means we have not received a phone call from a parent/guardian about the absence. If you receive this phone call and feel it is in error, please have your student talk with the teacher who marked the absence or you can contact the teacher via email. If the absence needs to be marked differently, the teacher will contact the Attendance Office to make the change.

All medical verification can be emailed to AHSAttendance@avon-schools.org

The Indiana State Department of Health sets the immunization requirements for students attending public schools in Indiana. For the 2020-2021 school year, all students in grades K-12 will be required to have 2 appropriately spaced doses of Hepatitis A vaccine. Contact your health care provider to ask what vaccines your child may need. Low cost immunizations are available at the Hendricks County Health Department at 317-745-9222.

Thursday, October 1st – Students without proper immunization documentation will be excluded from school until proper documentation is received.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING UPDATES

• In an effort to support the safety and well-being of our students, we have prevention programs happening over the course of this semester. Our topics include suicide prevention in September and bullying prevention in October. In November, we will partner with Sheltering Wings and Susie's Place which promote healthy relationships and work to prevent sexual abuse.



We will also be administering surveys asking students about their own mindsets and approaches to learning as well as their
perspectives on school climate If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Bode, assistant principal for the
Guidance Department.

UPCOMING PSAT AND PreACT TESTING FOR UNDERCLASSMEN

- The PSAT will be administered to sophomores and juniors at Avon High school on the morning of Thursday, October 29, in SRT. Students will receive the *Official PSAT Student Guide* during their class meetings. The booklet has useful test information, test-taking tips, and practice questions.
- The PreACT will be administered to freshmen on Thursday, October 29, in SRT. This exam by the ACT offers an excellent career and interest inventory component for students.
- Click on the pictures below for more information.





AP EXAM REGISTRATION

• Students in AP courses were given information about online test sign-up using Total Registration for AP exams in late August. Online registration opened on September 8 and will continue until October 30. Please click on the picture for more information.



COUNSELORS VISIT SRTs

• Our Guidance Counselors have been busy visiting freshman and sophomore SRTs and Prep for College and Career classes. During the SRT meetings, counselors have been discussing their roles and introducing themselves. In the PCC classes, students were given information about post-secondary options.







SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS FOR JUNIORS AND SENIORS

• Click on the picture to the right to see upcoming Virtual College Fairs during SRT at Avon High School.





- Juniors and seniors can sign up in Naviance to engage virtually with college representatives during SRT.
- Questions are answered and information is given about admission requirements, financial aid, campus life, and more!

ON-CAMPUS COLLEGE VISIT INFORMATION:

• Students are allowed two College Visit days per school year, but due to this year's environment, Avon High School is being flexible for on-campus visits. Please contact your child's assistant principal for more information if needed.

HENDRICKS COUNTY VIRTUAL APPRENTICESHIP & TRADES FAIR

- You are invited! Not sure if "traditional" college is for you? Considering a skilled trade? Love working with your hands...or managing a team of crafts-people? A career in the skilled trades or an apprenticeship might be right for you!
- For more information about this incredible opportunity to learn more about local apprenticeships and trades, please click the picture to the right.

HENDRICKS COUNTY VICTUAL APPRENTICESHIP & TRADES FAIR Where: hendrickscollegenetwork.org/TradesFair When: September 28 - October 2, 2020

INDY WESTSIDE COLLEGE FAIR

- Don't miss this virtual event to learn more about almost 100 colleges! There will be four 30-minute blocks with over 20 colleges per session.
- Click on the picture to the right for more details about this informative and beneficial event.

Indy Westside Virtual College Fair WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

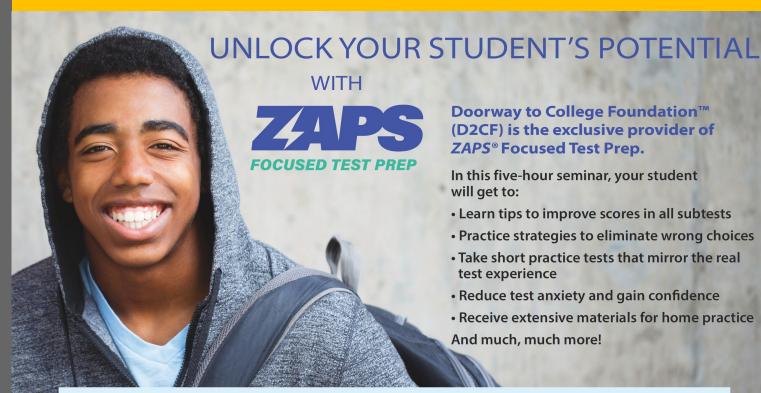
6:00PM - 8:00PM

UPCOMING FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION DATES

- <u>VIRTUAL FINANCIAL AID NIGHT</u> will be presented on October 6th at 6:30 by INvestED. Information and a link to the presentation will be sent to senior parents soon!
- <u>FAFSA DAY</u> will be November 12th. Time and format will be determined soon. Check back for more info.

PLEASE VISIT THE GUIDANCE WEBPAGE OFTEN FOR LOTS
OF STUDENT AND PARENT RESOURCES AVAILABLE ALL
IN ONE PLACE! Click on the picture to go straight to our webpage...





Doorway to College Foundation™ (D2CF) is the exclusive provider of ZAPS® Focused Test Prep.

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- Learn tips to improve scores in all subtests
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- Take short practice tests that mirror the real test experience
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Spots will fill up quickly, so sign up today!

Avon High School is partnering with us to bring our Nation's Leading Test Strategy Prep direct to you!

ACT and PSAT/SAT test dates are coming up soon, but there's still plenty of time to prepare with us. For only \$95.00, you can register for a 5-hour livevirtual or recorded seminar and wake up on test day with the confidence, **skills**, and **strategies** to achieve the score of your dreams!

ACT Test Dates: September 12, 13, 19 **PSAT Test Dates: October 29**

October 10, 17, 24, 25

December 12

SAT Test Dates: September 26

October 3 November 7 **December 5**

Register at www.doorwaytocollege.org or call 877-927-8378

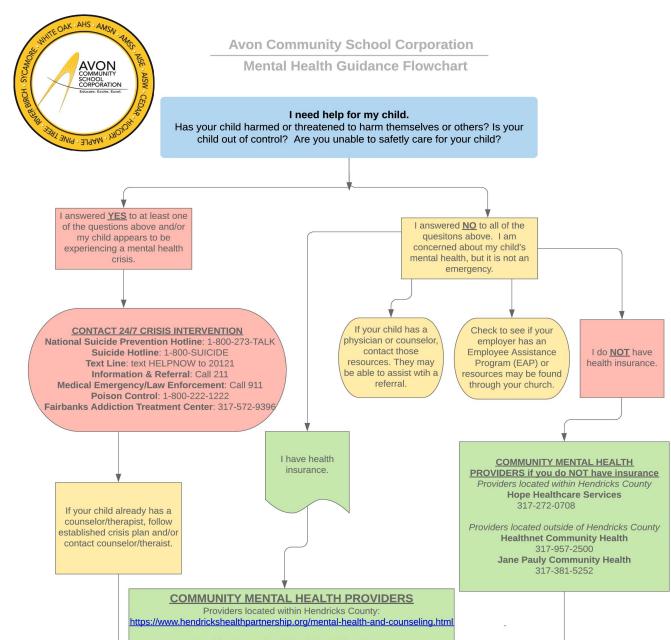


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Providers located outside of Hendricks County: Community Health Hospital - Behavioral Center 800-273-8255 Crisis Line 317-621-5700 Families First

317-251-7575 Crisis Line or Text CSIS to 839863 Indiana University Health Methodist Hospital - Behavioral Health 317-329-7313

Reach for Youth 317-920-5900

Riley Hosptial for Children (IU Health) - Child & Adoescent Psychiatry 317-944-8162

St. Vincent Stress Center 317-338-4800

FOR MORE EXTENSIVE REFERRAL

INFORMATION

Mental Health America - Hendricks County http://mhahs.com/ Connect2Help: Contact 211

www.connect2help211.org

School-based services may also be option.
Please consider signing a release of information to make sure all providers are aware of any concerns and/or referrals

Avon High School Library Guidelines

Contact Mrs. Robyn Young, Teacher Librarian, via email (rryoung@avonschools.org) or Schoology for help.

Remember to use Social Distancing Guidelines and stay 6 feet apart!





Books, like other paper-based materials, are not considered a high risk for transmission; however, the covers can be a higher risk. Most cleaners and disinfectants damage books, but there are steps we can take to prevent transmission from shared materials.



- 1. **Virtual browsing and holds.** Reserve books in online catalog to allow browsing without touching books. Books will be delivered to classrooms. Use your school network login. https://bit.ly/AHS-bookcatalog
- 2. **Browsing precautions**. Students and teachers will wash or sanitize hands before and after entering the library and after handling any books. Students should only touch books they intend to borrow.
- 3. **Digital materials.** Ebooks and audiobooks are available from the <u>school library</u>. Use your school network login. Also from the <u>Avon Public Library</u>. Please put 1207 in front of your student ID number to use digital resources.
- 4. **Quarantine materials.** After use, books will be quarantined for 72 hours before reshelving or loaning to another student or teacher.



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Other Changes to Library Procedures

- 1. Masks will be worn at all times.
- 2. Only one class allowed in the library at a time.
- 3. The library will be closed to students for lunch.
- 4. Library/Research instruction will be done virtually prior to students visiting the library. Mrs. Young will provide instructional videos specific to your class needs.
- 5. The library will be closed during SRT for students staying in the library.

Source:

Research Shows Virus Undetectable on Five Highly Circulated Library Materials After Three Days. (2020, June 22). Retrieved from https://www.imls.gov/news/research-shows-virus-undetectable-five-highly-circulated-library-materials-after-three-days





To keep your students safe, the AHS Library is now delivering library books to the classrooms. Students may reserve a book through our online catalog and the book will be delivered during SRT. Students are also welcome to pick up the book if they would prefer.

Books may be reserved at https://sites.google.com/view/ahs-library/home - click on Library catalog and sign in with network user name and password.



Athletics News

We ARE NOT offering any All Sport Passes this year due to the capacity limits because of Covid.



Athletic Home Page

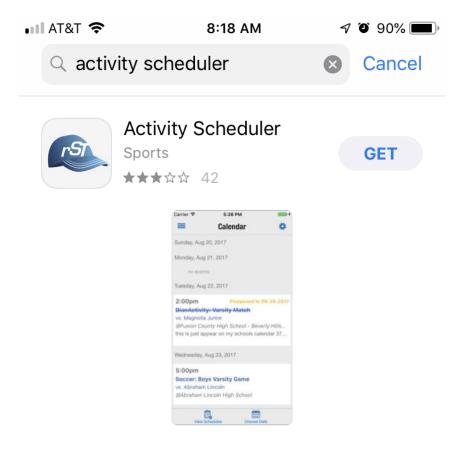
How to view Avon High School Events

Avon High School website <u>www.avon-schools.org/ahs</u>

Select Calendar from the gray bar. All upcoming events will be listed. At the bottom of the screen you can click more events to see the entire month.

Download the rSchool Today Activity Scheduler App

You will be able to view upcoming events on the main screen as well as select specific team or club schedules. Once you have selected the team/club you are interested in viewing you will have the option to download the schedule to your device.





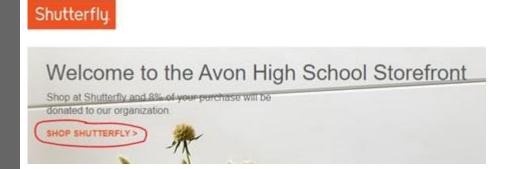
Don't forget to register for ParentSquare, to choose your preferences for preferred language and how you'd like to receive our messages (email, text, push notification)



Use the email address or cell phone number you provided your school.

You may also register at https://www.parentsquare.com/signin

Do your order things from Shutterfly.com? If you will now use this link www.avonhighschool.ShutterflyStorefront.com click on Shop Shutterfly and log into your own account to create/purchase your items, then AHS will receive 8% of all sales. You pay the same price you usually would, but now AHS benefits from it. Please share the link with your family and friends.



Picture Day (Retakes or new to Avon)

Last Chance to be in the 20-21 Yearbook

Monday, October 5

9th- 11th Grade

Upper East Gym

8:00am -2:30pm

School appropriate attire required.



Alpha breakdown schedule will be sent to students through Schoology closer to the day.

If you are an Oriole Semester Online (100% virtual student) and would like to be in the year-book, please come to AHS anytime between 8-2:30pm. Please enter Door 33 on the west side of the building and bring your school ID to scan into the building. If you don't have an ID, come take your picture anyway. Masks are required while in the building, but will be taken off briefly for the picture.

To order pictures prior to Oct. 5, please go to www.mylifetouch.com and use this unique picture code: EVT2PJNTK

Pictures or Proofs will be mailed to AHS and given to students during SRT. Then they will be available for pickup in A101.

Thursday, October 8

12th Grade

ALC LGI 215

7:30am-3:00pm

Gentleman should wear a shirt and tie.

Ladies should wear a nice blouse or sweater.

Alpha breakdown schedule will be sent to students through Schoology closer to the day.

If you are an Oriole Semester Online (100% virtual student) and would like to be in the year-book, please come to AHS anytime between 7:30-3pm. Please enter Door 13 on the east side of the building and bring your school ID to scan into the building. If you don't have an ID, come take your picture anyway. Masks are required while in the building, but will be taken off briefly for the picture.

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If you haven't received your pictures or proofs from Oriole Preview Days in July, those are in A101 for students or parents to pick up between 7:30-3:45. Enter Door 1.



Temporary Free Meals

Dear ACSC Families:

To address the hardships that many families are facing due to Coronavirus, the USDA (U.S. Department of Agriculture) has implemented a <u>temporary</u> program under the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) that will allow all school breakfasts and lunches to be provided free of charge. ACSC started this program on Monday, September 14th.

Breakfasts and lunches will be provided free of charge—regardless of whether your child qualifies for free/reduced lunch. However, this program is **temporary** and will only be available by the USDA until December 31st or until the funds run out.

A la carte items will still be available for sale and we encourage all families to leave current funds in your child's lunch account as the program could end at any time. Families will still be able to add funds to your child's lunch account for a la carte items using the Titan Family Portal or by sending cash or check to the school.

Families are still welcome to pack lunches as participation is completely optional.

Please direct all questions to the Food Service Department at (317) 544-6000.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

ACSC Families—The Mary Lee Maier Community Food Pantry is Open on Thursdays—Register Today!



The Mary Lee Maier Community Pantry is open every Thursday (when school is in session) at Avon Intermediate School East.

Enrollment is simple. Please complete your 2020-2021 enrollment before you shop. Use this QR code to open the link, or visit https://forms.gle/RdqJRMkbJkdkqwhg7 to access the form.



Be sure you press the **SUBMIT** button at the end of the form or your results will not be saved.

Español

Por Favor complete su inscripción de 2020-2021 antes de comprar.

Utilice el código QR para abrir el enlace, o visite https://forms.gle/RdqJRMkbJkdkqwhg7 para acceder al formulario.

Asegúrese de presionar el botón **ENVIAR** (SUBMIT) al final del formulario o sus resultados no se guardarán.



AVON COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

2020-2021

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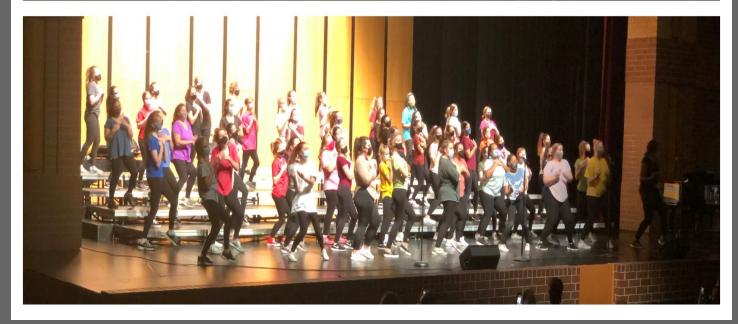
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First Day of School K-12 Staff Development Days (Grades K-12 on one-hour delay) V vacation - School Closed Snow Make-Up Day - If cancellation occurs 5 or more days prior to this day Teacher Day - No School E/N Student E-learning Day/Teacher PD Day
Teacher Organization - July 27
Teacher In-Service - July 28
First Student Day - July 29
Last Student Day - May 27
Fall Break - October 12-23
Winter Break - December 21-January 1
Spring Break - March 22-April 2
1st Grading Period - Sep. 25 (42 days)
2nd Grading Period - Dec. 18 (47 days)
3rd Grading Period - Mar. 12 (47 days)
4th Grading Period - May 27 (44 days)
Semester 1 T = 91 days Semester 1 S = 89 days
Semester 2 T = 94 days
Semester 2 S = 91 days
Teacher Days Total = 185 Student Days Total = 180

AHS Highlights Choir Fall Fling



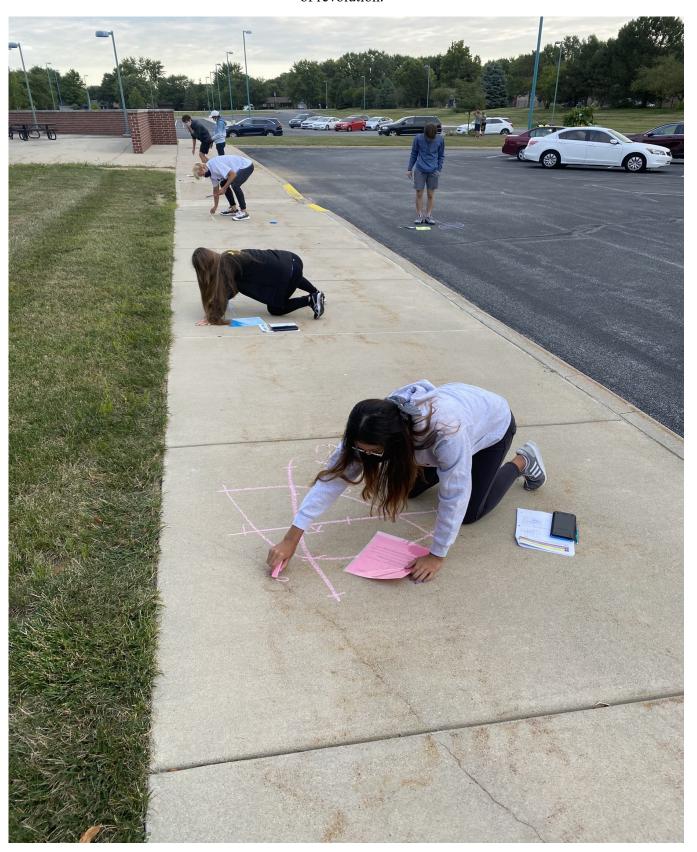




Tony Record, and the AP Calculus BC class are social distancing with sidewalk chalk practicing volumes of solids of revolution.



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AHS Students Named National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

Avon High School Principal Matthew Shockley announced that four students have been named Semifinalists in the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Competition. These academically talented high school seniors will continue in the competition for 7,600 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$30 million.

Congratulations to Sriya Koganti, Jason Le, Adam Schenk and Alicija Stoppel!

More than 1.5 million juniors in approximately 21,000 high schools entered the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2019 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), which served as an initial screen. The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest scoring entrants in each state.



Eight AHS Students Recognized in National Merit Competition

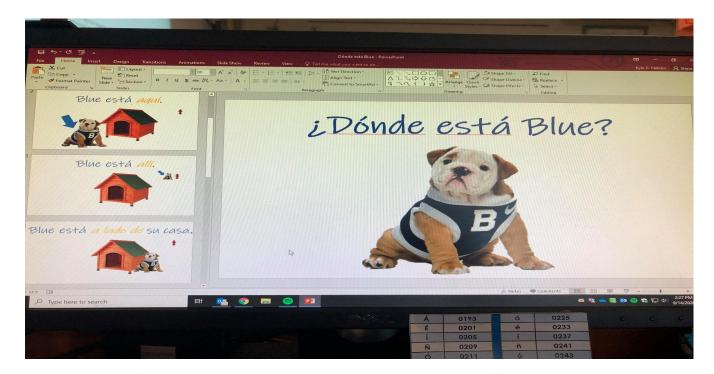
The National Merit Scholarship Competition named eight Avon High School students as Commended Students. Congratulations to William Cunningham, Samuel Crook, Sophia Ko, David Enz, Kevin Rostam, Samantha Miller, Natalie White and Colton Scott.

Although they will not continue in the 2021 competition, it is noteworthy that these Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2021 competition by taking the 2019 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®).

Visit www.nationalmerit.org for more information.



Kyle Nelson, Spanish Teacher, Teaching grammar with puppies



Avon Marching Black and Gold at football game



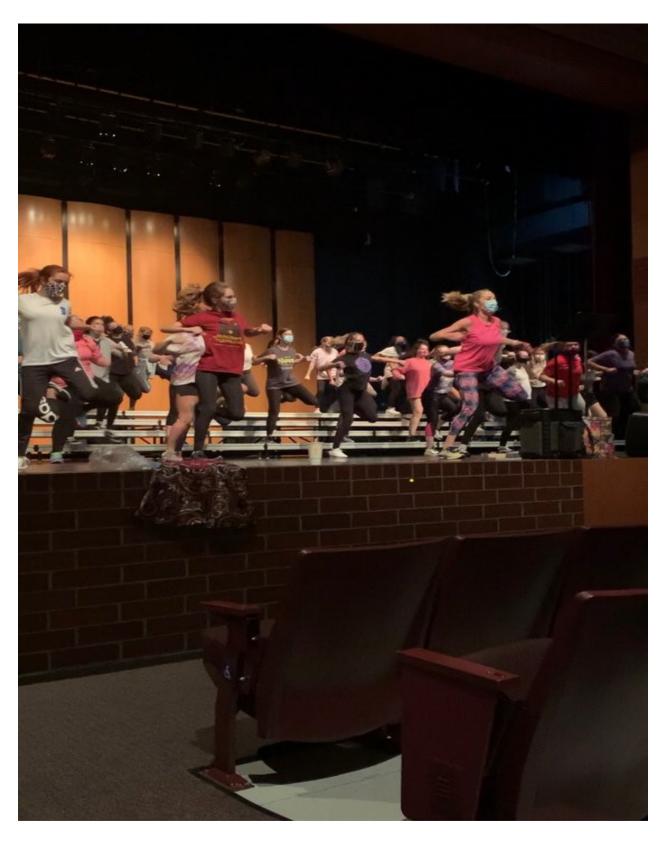
Canzonetta Quartet practicing for June European Tour



Amanda Leahy's AP Statistics 2nd period Barbie Bungee Click photo to view video



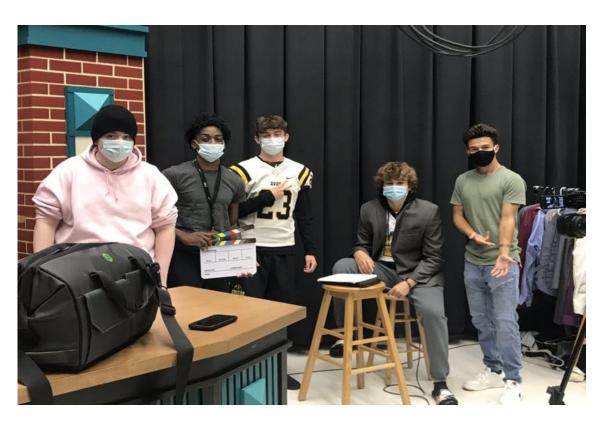
Attraction Choir



Lisa Kern, AP Environmental Science class – Beautiful day at the pond with students studying biodiversity and getting vitamins D and N.



Lauren Tauer, Broadcasting -Introduction to Communication students are working on their first newscast project!



AHS Girls Golf



AHS Girl Senior Soccer



Senior Football



Boys Senior Tennis



AHS Girls Cross Country Seniors



AHS Boys Cross Country Seniors



AHS Cheerleading Seniors



AHS March Band and Guard– photo courtesy of Brad Poreda and Lesa Nelson of Performing Arts Photography



Community News

Community Flyers

Did you know that ACSC has a designated page where you can find flyers featuring important information in Hendricks County? Sections include Community Events, Arts, Athletics and Educational. New flyers are added to this page regularly, so be sure to visit often!

Click here: http://www.avon-schools.org/domain/46

Clothing Voucher Program

The Washington Township Assistance Program has launched a Clothing Voucher program for school-aged children enrolled in a school within Washington Township.

The process is similar to the current process for applying for Township Assistance. One must come into the office to pick up an application and set an appointment. The household will need to verify all pertinent information the same as any other application: Identification, Household expenses, Resources, Income. In addition, for clothing, verification of school enrollment within Washington Township will be required. The income standards are set at the same level as Free Lunch Program, 130% of poverty level.

If approved, a voucher will be issued for Burlington Coat Factory in Plainfield to purchase school clothing. Permitted items are: Shirts, Pants, Shorts, Dresses/Skirts, Underclothes, Shoes, Socks, winter outer clothing, and belts. Clients who are approved are eligible for up to \$300 a calendar year per child. This, at the discretion of the Assistance Director, may be distributed in 2 separate vouchers of \$150 each. This is to ensure that children have enough and appropriate clothing throughout the seasons of the school year.

Apply at the Washington Township Trustee, 311 Production Drive, Avon or call 317-272-1835 with questions.



Be a Sub.

Avon Community School Corporation is currently recruiting

Qualified Substitute Teachers

Benefits include...

- A Flexible Schedule to choose your own work days.
- The ability to choose which buildings you want to work in.
- The option to select the assignments that appeal to you.
- An opportunity for advancement.
- Earnings of \$80 per day or \$40 per half day.
- Licensed Teachers with a current/valid license \$100.00 a day.

Education and Licensing Consideration (Need one of the following to qualify):

- Valid Teaching License
- Minimum of twenty (20) credits from an accredited college/university.
- Related experience in an educational setting with a high school diploma.

How do I apply?

Complete an online application at www.avon-schools.org

https://www.applitrack.com/avonschools/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Substitute

- If you meet the minimum considerations, an HR representative will contact you.
- You will be required to complete a Criminal History Check and apply for a Substitute Teaching Permit (Unless you have a current teaching license.)
- Upon a successful background check, your substitute permit will be approved and you will be contacted to schedule a new hire orientation.