

Avon High School  
May 2021



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## From Mr. Shockley...



What a school year this has been! I am so proud of our students and staff for how they have adapted to changes, persevered, and maintained a positive attitude. We still had so many successes to celebrate, and those could not happen without the strong support of our parents in the Avon community. Thank you for your patience, faith and trust in us to serve and educate your students during a most challenging school year!

AHS summer office hours will be Monday-Friday 7:30am-3:30pm. AHS is closed June 28 - July 9 and then reopening again on Monday, July 12.

For students entering grades 9-12, Oriole Preview Days are on two Wednesdays: July 14 and July 21, 9am-7pm. Various tasks will be completed including school pictures, laptops, demographic and health updates, shot clinic and addressing course schedule problems. More information will be emailed home in late June.

This school year, we switched to a different daily bell schedule due to COVID-19 and to mitigate its spread with fewer classes and passing periods each day and allowing for four lunches to facilitate social distancing. Protocols for next school year have not yet been determined as we await guidance from state and local health departments. We expect to learn more in mid to late June. A decision on our bell schedule for next school year may be impacted by whatever guidance is received. We may stay on the current schedule from this school year, return to our prior schedule (implemented in 2016), or consider a different option.

The first student day is Thursday, July 29 with classes beginning at 8:25am. See [new start/end times](#) here.

To our graduating seniors, I offer my congratulations and gratitude for your positive contributions to our school. I wish you the best in your chosen field of endeavor after AHS!

Enjoy your summer!

GO ORIOLES!

# Save the Dates



May 28– Graduation, AHS HRH Stadium 7pm  
May 31– Memorial Day, No School  
June 5– SAT Exam, ALC Lecture Hall 115 8:00-10:00  
July 14– Oriole Preview Days, 9:00-7:00  
July 21– Oriole Preview Days, 9:00-7:00  
July 21– Class of 2025 Parent Night , Auditorium 7:30-8:30  
July 23– Freshman Orientation, AHS Cafeteria 8:30-2:00  
July 29– First Day of School

## **EARLY DISMISSALS**

Please **email** early dismissal information to [AHSStudentServices@avon-schools.org](mailto:AHSStudentServices@avon-schools.org). 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 **any reason**, call the Attendance line, **317-544-5000**, 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](mailto: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.

All students still not up to date with their immunizations need to have appointments made. Parents please call the AHS clinic with the appointment dates. Students with future appointment dates will not be excluded from school. Thank you!



## Guidance

# May is MENTAL HEALTH MONTH



May is Mental Health Awareness Month and a great time to become more informed of mental health challenges our students may face. Every person has mental health and wellness needs, and the more we are proactive in supporting and recognizing these needs, the better outcomes we all have.

Here in Avon, we care about and support our students' mental wellness by having a guidance counseling staff who are available and able to offer social and emotional support to students as needed. If it is identified that students require more in depth support, we also have a mental wellness program with licensed clinical social workers who can support students through small groups or individual sessions. If students and families find that they want more intensive support, Avon schools partner with Cummins Behavioral Health, and students may be eligible to attend sessions with trained therapists right here in our building during the school day.

While the summer offers students a much deserved break, it is also a time where there may be less structure and routine, causing students to feel off balance. If you are in need of helpful tools to explore mental health and wellness with your student, please look into the website [www.mentalhealththishealth.us](http://www.mentalhealththishealth.us) to search a variety of topics and resources related to coping with and managing challenges they may be facing. If you are interested in or looking for a local provider, please check out Hendricks County Health Partnership (click on box to the right) for a comprehensive list of mental health resources in our area.



### THE GUIDANCE OFFICE STAFF WISHES YOU A WONDERFUL SUMMER!

The Guidance Office clerical staff is in this summer, and our counselors will be on summer break until the last part of July. Our Avon students' well-being is very important to us. We want to make sure during the summer months that you have the resources you need at your fingertips. In addition to the website and Hendricks County Health Partnership noted above, here are more opportunities that are available:

If you or our child is in need of immediate mental health help, please contact 911 or click below for the National Suicide Prevention Hotline.



Avon Schools partners with Cummins Behavioral Health System. Call 1-888-714-1927 or click below for more information and to set up an appointment.



Check out our ACSC Counseling and Mental Wellness page by clicking on the box below. Be sure to explore the [Virtual Calming Space](#).



**INDIANA ONLINE SUMMER COURSES** If your student is taking classes through Indiana Online this summer, be sure they are staying current on their work, they are completing assignments, and progressing on time. Look for emails



# May

is Mental Health Awareness Month


Mental health—how you think, feel and act—can change over time due to factors like workload, stress and work-life balance. The COVID-19 pandemic and quarantining certainly qualify as stressful factors.

**1 in 5** Americans experience mental illness each year.

**1 in 25** Americans live with a serious mental illness.

 2.4 million live with schizophrenia.

 6.1 million live with bipolar disorder.

 16 million live with major depression.

 42 million live with anxiety disorders.

Here are some strategies to help you thrive during uncertain times:



#### Find the positive.

It's natural to go through a grieving process after the loss of a relationship, job or loved one. Remember the good times and focus on what makes you happy.



#### Create healthy routines.

Healthy routines include eating a nutrition-rich diet, exercising and getting enough sleep. It's OK if your routine is not the same every day. Start with small changes.



#### Own your feelings.

It can be easy to get caught up in emotions as you're feeling them. Taking the time to identify what you're feeling can help you better cope with challenging situations.



#### Connect with others.

Connections help enrich your life and power through the tough times. Whether in person or virtually, connect with and lean on your support group.

If you're struggling with your mental health during these trying times, you're not alone. If you have concerns about your mental health, please contact a mental health professional.





## Summer Reading Fun!

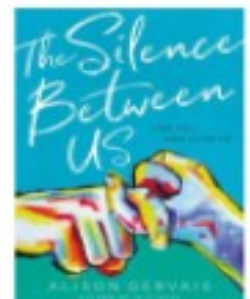
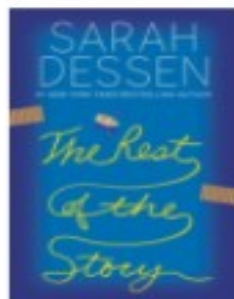
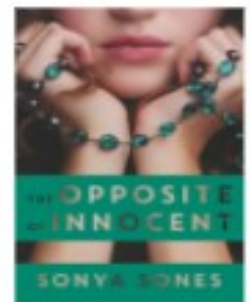
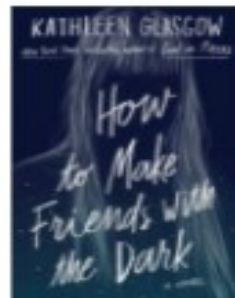
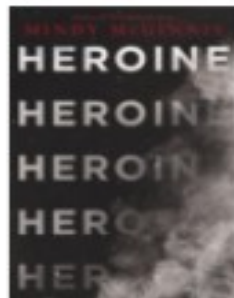
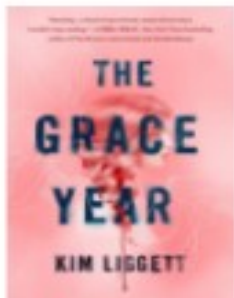
**ACCESS SORA OVERDRIVE APP  
FOR EBOOKS AND AUDIOBOOKS**

1. Download the Sora by Overdrive App on your device.
2. Look for Avon High School. We are part of the West Central Indiana Schools Shared Digital Collection -- this should come up automatically.
3. Login with your AHS computer network login and password.
4. Search for any book or audiobook and borrow it.
5. This will automatically return in 2 weeks.
6. You can also access this on your computer from the AHS Library website. Click on Sora - Books & Audiobooks.

# Library News



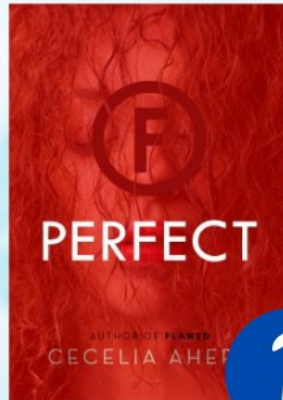
## Rosie Nominees 2021-2022





## Top 5

Books checked  
out of the  
AHS Library  
May 2021



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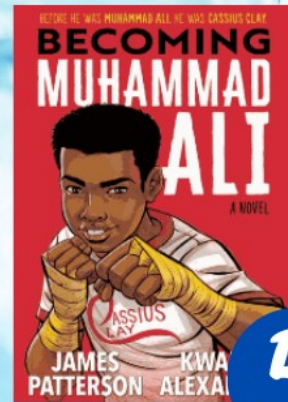
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# Athletics News

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



[Athletic Home Page](#)

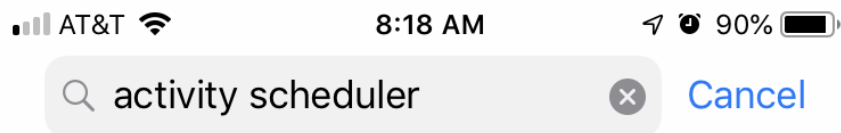
## How to view Avon High School Events

**Avon High School website** [www.avon-schools.org/ahs](http://www.avon-schools.org/ahs)

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.

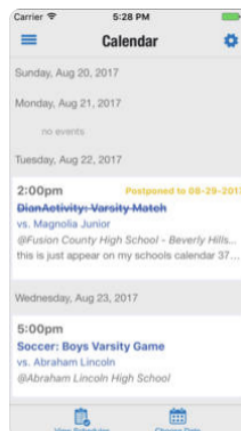


**Activity Scheduler**

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# Important Information



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

## Download the ParentSquare app today!

Stay involved with your child's learning  
and activities at school. From anywhere.



 ParentSquare



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

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

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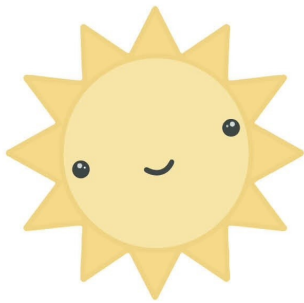
[www.avonhighschool.ShutterflyStorefront.com](http://www.avonhighschool.ShutterflyStorefront.com) click on Shop Shutterfly and log into your own account to create/purchase your items, then AHS will receive 8% of all sales. You pay the same price you usually would, but now AHS benefits from it. Please share the link with your family and friends.

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## Important Information

**ACSC Families—The Mary Lee Maier Community Food Pantry is Open This Summer on Thursdays**



MARY LEE MAIER  
*community pantry*

**OPEN THIS SUMMER**

*when*

Thursdays 5-6 PM  
Closed July 1st

*where*

AIS East  
Door 13



# Important Information

## AVON COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

### 2020-2021

REVISED 12/14/2020

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F	First Day of School
D	K-12 Staff Development Days (Grades K-12 on one-hour delay)
V	Vacation - School Closed
S	Snow Make-Up Day - If cancellation occurs 5 or more days prior to this day
N	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

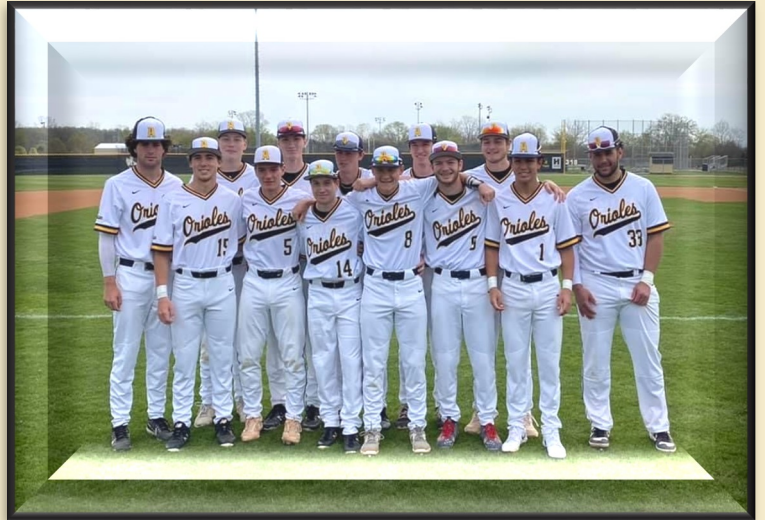
## AHS Arbor Day





# AHS Highlights

## Senior Night



**Senior Boys Baseball Left to Right Front Row:** Matt Bond, Reece Soel, Cal Keith, Alex Kraus, Seth McClain, Alex Bell **Back Row:** Anthony Costello, Caleb Mosteller, Nick Simpson, Tanner Simpson, Bishop Akers, Henry Hesson, Chris Adams,



**Senior Girls Softball Left to Right:**  
**Front Row** Madi Lockridge, Kendallyn Davison, Olivia Burke, Brayton Nihiser  
**Back Row:** Savahana Scott, Cassidy Hubner, Brooklyn McCord



# AHS Highlights

## Senior Night

### Boy's Golf



**Austin Mayo**



**Kevin Hoake**



**Kyle Morgan**



**Kyle Stoller**

# AHS Highlights

## Senior Night



**Boys Senior Track and Field: Front Row:** David Enz, Zach Tandoc, Luke Demerly, Jason Portillo, Trenton Heim, Matty Bullock, Joseph Kujore, Elliott Beck

**Second Row:** Armanda Moreno, Sam Crook, Ben Bradley, Landon Sims, Zion Pruitt, Ja'Kai Gordon, Riley Wittkamper, Alex Rosenau,

**Back Row:** Gassison Hirst, Kevin Martinez, Ben Hochgesang, Josh Davis, Tyler Sisk, Logan Shaffer, Korbin Russell



**Girls Senior Track and Field**

**Bottom from Left to Right:** Isabella Wall, Valentina Pena, Alicja Stopppel, Juliana Wall, Alexys Sanders, Kaila Springer, Arianna Mack.

**Top:** Ava Eszenyi, Abigail Gambrall, Aaliyah Raij, Hadassah Brent



# AHS Highlights

## Senior Night



**Girls Senior Tennis L-R Far Left:** Meghan Harrington, Erika Becker, Noelle Mputu, Amelia Collier, Sara Smith, Kailyn Dickerson Yamana Uno



### Unified Trach & Field Seniors Left to Right:

**Front Row:** Hannah Macavage, Sam Miller, Caroline Jackson, Jazmyynn Peterson, Trinidad Turner, Chris Supra, Lucy Krienke Ma'Kay Harris Alondra Colin

**Back Row:** Kyleigh Baker, Cam O'Mara, Thomas Hancock, Elijah Brown, Elijah Dixon, Ellie Misner, Madelyn Grueneberg, Kaitlyn Weaver



# AHS Highlights

## Summer Sports Signing



Coba Bakhayokho-University of Northwestern, Ohio (Basketball)



Mitch O'Mara-Franklin College (Basketball)



Logan Shaffer-Wabash College (Cross Country)

# AHS Highlights

## Summer Sports Signing



# AHS Highlights

## Class of 2021 Harris Graduates!





# 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](http://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.