

Board of Trustees ED Report

June 24, 2021



AMSA

ADVANCED MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY

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Report Overview

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2. Graduation
3. Fall Back-to-School
 - a. Mask Guidance - Summer and Fall 2021
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Summertime Thank Yous

We APPRECIATE our:

- Teachers
- Counselors
- Staff
- Administrative Team
- Our Board of Trustees

A Special Thank you to our:

- CBA Negotiations Team
- Back-To-School Planning Team
- Crisis Response Team



Class of 2021 - Graduation

- Friday, June 4th
- Held at ForeKicks
- No mask or distancing requirements
- Huge **Thank YOU** to Lynn McCluskey, Mike Nawrocki, Brianna Murphy and the planning committee
- <https://www.facebook.com/23098997791/videos/849567292584156>

Congratulations to the Class of 2021



Happy, happy graduates and families!!



An absolutely
lovely and
inspiring night!



Fall Back-to-School Guidance

- ***Back to “normal” this fall!!!***

- Most recent Mask Guidance for Fall

“For summer programs: Masking indoors and maintaining other health and safety guidance is not required, but is encouraged. The DESE summer guidance is in alignment with state guidance encouraging unvaccinated individuals to continue to mask.”

“For the fall: At this time, all health and safety guidance including **masking and physical distancing will be lifted**. We will collaborate with the Department of Public Health (DPH) to issue any additional health and safety recommendations over the summer should they become necessary.”



Razzle



Dazzle

Sunovion & Quest Partnership



- 3rd year - 5 seniors and 2 juniors met with the Sunovion team on five occasions to learn about neuroscience. Developed a unit on the human brain and presented it to seven 7th grade classes.
- Sunovion offered the five seniors a \$2,500 scholarship and a cool "swag bag".



- 1st year - Five seniors had a paid internship during the second semester working Mondays at Quest.
- All five students were offered summer employment and four of them accepted.
- The Metrowest Daily News gave a featured article about the program.
- <https://www.metrowestdailynews.com/story/news/2021/05/05/quest-diagnostics-internship-gives-amsa-students-firsthand-experience-lab-environment/4889025001/>

Sunovion Interns



AMSA Sports

9 Seniors will play College Sports!

Zachary Marchese – Track & Field – Bowdoin College

Liam Genninger – Track & Field – Springfield College

Allison Silva – Track & Field – Carnegie Mellon University

Axel Estavillo – Track & Field – WPI

Andrew Cash – Soccer – WPI

Morgan Fensky – Soccer – Arcadia University

Kirstin Hailey – Tennis – Bradley University

Elena Cardoso – Tennis – Plymouth State University

Trey Fuccillo – Baseball – Emerson College

Central Mass. Athletic Directors Association Tournaments - AMSA Champions

MHS/AMSA **Boys Tennis** won all three of it's matches and were crowned champions with a 3-2 win over Groton-Dunstable.

AMSA **Girls Tennis** won all three of it's matches and were crowned champions with a 5-0 win over Hudson.

AMSA **Baseball** won all three of it's games and were crowned champions after a come-from-behind, walk-off 4-3 win over Oakmont Regional.

Softball earned its first two post-season wins in program history and advanced to the semifinals.

Outdoor Track & Field recipient of the 2021 Central/West Division 3 Chris Lane Team Sportsmanship Award



ED Focus for 2021 - 2022



AMSA MISSION & CORE VALUES

- We are committed to educating **ALL** students from **ALL** backgrounds and **ALL** abilities - helping them excel in **ALL** subjects!
- We are committed to AMSA's Core Values: integrity, excellence, and community

Six Areas of Focus

- **Trust and Respect - culture**
- **Teaching and Learning Initiative**
- **AMSA 2025 Initiative**
- **DEI Initiative**
- **Purchase and Construction Project**
- **Development and Fundraising**



Focus: TRUST & Respect

Always #1

- Trust & Respect is the foundation of our ALL of our relationships
- Empowering our staff to use their voices
- Continuing to improve our collaborative environment
- Committed to transparency and communication

Focus: Teaching and Learning Initiative

Welcoming back our students and getting them back on track! How?

Way 1: continue to pursue excellence through our advanced curriculum, keeping expectations high, and supporting students socially and emotionally

Way 2: working with department chairs and teachers to assess students and establish clear plans to help them get back on track!

Way 3: the creation of a useful and robust 2021-2022 PD program

Focus: “AMSA 2025” Initiative

- Building consensus around AMSA’s teaching philosophy through community wide “2025 AMSA Forums”
- Key questions: **How can we improve?** What have we learned the past few years?
- We have a mission but not a philosophy - it's time to build a **shared philosophy!**
- Our goal: **unite behind the best** Teaching and Learning practices while also embracing different teaching methods!

FOCUS: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiative

Our goals:

- To create a school culture where all students of all backgrounds and abilities (our mission!) are welcomed, cared for, respected and feel they are safe and belong! How?
- AMSA DEI Self-Assessment
- To continue to demonstrate a clear commitment to DEI in our curriculum
 - our day to day teaching and learning

FOCUS: Purchase & Construction Project

- Target - own 199 and 201 Forest Street by early fall
- Work through design and permitting phase winter and early spring
- Break ground late spring/early summer

Monitor costs. Fiscal responsibility remains a priority.

FOCUS: Development and Fundraising

- Contracted with a Development Consultant
 - Feasibility Study this summer
 - Betsy Grenier, Founder of Hannah Street Consulting
 - Study has begun



Have a Great Summer!
Go Eagles!

