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parent newsletter

October 2023

From the Desk of Principal Vernon Burden ~

Dear Athens High School Community,

As the vibrant colors of autumn surround us, I am thrilled to welcome you to the October edition of our newsletter. This month is especially significant as we celebrate a remarkable milestone – the 50th anniversary of Troy Athens High School. It's a testament to the enduring spirit of our school, and I'm excited to share this journey with each and every one of you.

Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence

Throughout the month of October, we will be commemorating five decades of academic achievement, personal growth, and community spirit. Our school has been a beacon of education, character development, and innovation, and we couldn't have achieved this without the dedication and passion of our students, staff, parents, and alumni. Please join us for special events and activities throughout the month, as we look back at our history and forward to the limitless possibilities of our future.

Parent-Teacher Conferences - October 12, 2023

We believe that open communication between parents and teachers is essential for student success. Our Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on October 12th, providing an opportunity for you to connect with your child's teachers, discuss their progress, and address any concerns. We encourage all parents to participate actively in these conferences to support your child's academic journey. These conferences will be held in either a virtual or in-person format.

Homecoming Celebration Recap

Our Homecoming celebration in September was a resounding success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of our students, alumni, parents, and staff. The energy and pride displayed during the festivities were truly inspiring. This could only be done because of the incredible sense of community we have here at Athens High School. I want to express my gratitude to everyone who contributed to making Homecoming Week a memorable event.

As we move forward into October, let's continue to embrace our school's rich history, celebrate our achievements, and work together to create a bright future for our students. The Athens community is reminded daily to live out our core values: Be Thoughtful, Act with Integrity, and Make an Impact. Thank you for your unwavering support and commitment to Troy Athens High School.

Warm regards,

Vernon Burden
Vernon K. Burden, Principal
Athens High School
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Picture Re-take Day

Friday, October 20th is the re-take date for students who are not satisfied with their original pictures. Students must turn in their picture packages to Kaiser to have a re-take on October 20th. Sign up for re-takes using the SignUpGenius https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4EA9AA22ABFB6-44595567-kaiser Re-takes are only for new photos to replace your order and in the yearbook, a new ID is not given. If you need a new ID, you can get one printed in the Media Center for \$5.

For students who are NEW to Athens or were not here for Picture Day or Make-Up Day, this is your last chance to have your photo taken for the yearbook and receive an ID Card. Sign up using the SignUpGenius below and write "Make-up" in the comments.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4EA9AA22ABFB6-44595567-kaiser

Student ID Cards

Students are **required** to carry their picture ID cards during school and at all student activities. The ID card is used for identification, for attendance late arrival, to purchase lunches, and used as a library card.



Club Photos

Club photos will be held on **October 20th** during the school day. A detailed list of the time each club is being photographed will be posted to the Schoology group for each grade one or two days before 10/20.

Students will report to the gym for a few minutes to get their picture taken with their club and then return to class. Questions? Email sbesl@troy.k12.mi.us

Student Absences

Please remember to call the **Attendance Line** if your student is going to be **absent**, **arriving late** or **leaving early**. Include student's name, student ID number, reason for absence, and the time of arrival/dismissal.

Attendance Line: 248.823.2901

See full attendance policy on page 7.

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Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for **Thursday**, **October 12th**. Parents have the option to meet teachers in-person from **12:30-3:30 p.m.** or virtually from **5:00-8:00 p.m.**

Due to the limited availability of appointment slots, please do not feel obligated to sign up for a conference if you do not feel like it is necessary.

How and When to Sign-Up:

- You may begin to sign up for conferences on Thursday, October 5th, at 6:00 a.m. You will be
 able to sign up through Thursday, October 12th, at 10:00 a.m.
- Parents will sign up for conferences with individual teachers using Conference Manager. Please visit https://athenshs.schoolsoft.com/ starting October 5th to sign up for your appointment(s). If it's your first time visiting the site, click "REGISTER NOW". Once you create an account, you will be able to select the teachers with whom you'd like to meet. If you attended previous conferences, you won't need to register again. You may simply log-in and select your teachers.
- If you are unable to schedule an appointment for conferences, please know that teachers
 are available to communicate via Schoology, email or phone about your student's progress in class.

Noteworthy Information:

- Conferences are five minutes each to allow for teachers to see as many parents as possible. Please be courteous and conscientious of this when meeting with teachers because the timing of your conference will impact future conferences.
- We recommend that, if possible, you schedule appointment(s) on the same floor near the same time, minimizing your walking. It is recommended that you leave adequate travel time between conferences.
- Please print your conference schedule and/or take a picture of it with your phone so you have that information when you arrive at Athens.
- Counselors and social workers will be available for individual, sign-up conferences.
- If you sign up for the evening virtual session, please leave your most accessible phone number when registering through Conference Manager. On the evening of conferences, a link will be sent to you containing the teacher's Microsoft Teams Link. Once you click the link, the teacher will allow you to enter the conference session. In case of any technology issues, the teacher will call the phone number provided in lieu of Microsoft Teams.

Athens Administrative Team



Athens Abroad

Join Athens students and teachers on an educational tour of England, Ireland, and Scotland in June of 2025! We will visit Dublin, London, and Edinburgh and other cities along the way! Please see our Instagram @Athens Abroad or contact Mrs. Syme (ssyme@troy.k12.mi.us) for more information. Spaces are limited!

Sue Syme Troy Athens High School Social Studies Department ssyme@troy.k12.mi.us



National Honor Society

NHS Information will be distributed later this month to juniors and seniors with a GPA of 3.500 and above. They will receive an online packet to apply for NHS membership. Applications will be collected and reviewed by a faculty committee, and new members will be inducted in January. Please contact Mrs. Rice or Mrs. Syme with further questions.

Please be aware: Many families are receiving information from an organization named NSHSS (National Society of High School Scholars). Please be aware that this organization is NOT the Athens Chapter of the National Honor Society and is not connected to Athens High School in any way.



Attn: Juniors - Class of 2025

All Juniors will be taking the PSAT/NMSQT on October 18, 2023 (details forthcoming).

Please see Ms. Henry or Mr. Munaco if you have any questions. Click the following for ways to practice test.

https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt/preparing

Parking Passes

A current PARKING PASS is required to drive to school. If you have not visited Ms. Harris in the Main Office at Athens to register your car, please do so ASAP. The cost is \$40.00. The following documents are required to purchase a parking pass - Driver's License, Proof of Insurance, your car registration. Tickets will be issued to all cars that do not have a parking pass. Please register your car today.

ATHENS
PARENT
ORGANIZATIONS

Athens Athletic Boosters: Marti Steiner Athens Band Boosters: Julie Johnson Athens PTO: Colleen Geyer, President

Clinic Volunteers: TBD

Senior All Night Party: Kristen Stachura

Congratulations!

Semifinalists in the 2024 National Merit® Scholarship Program

We are very pleased to to announce the following students who have qualified as Semifinalists 2024 National Merit® Scholarship Program and has an opportunity to continue in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

Vansh Baxi Rahul Dandavolu Rohan Gajula-Ghosh Kevin Hartwell Mahee Kavdia Brandon Mendoza Ismail Qamar Akash Sarad Ananya Sri Raja Kalidindi Raghav Subramaniam Eric Wong

Brandon Mendoza Sneha Nandwani

Commended Students in the 2024 National Merit® Scholarship Program

Abraar Baig Deeak Chilukuri Abhinav Daram Jessica Gao Ali Hakim Nikhita Kowsika Eesha Ray Alexander Rebits Chris Sebastian Saisha Srivatsan Teodor Topon

Nathan Zerilli

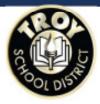




Join a team that makes a difference serving Troy School District students.

- No nights and no weekends
- Paid sick days and holidays
- Part-Time Position
- Help assist with preparing meals and serving the students!
- Shift ranges from 4-5 hours/day, Monday-Friday

Please reach out to the Food Service Office at 248-823-5245 or email ngervais@troy.k12.mi.us







TSD ATTENDANCE POLICY

There is a direct correlation between academic achievement and regular attendance. Frequent absences excused or unexcused, or tardiness in a class may seriously impact a student's academic progress.

The Revised School Code (380.1561) states that "...every parent, guardian or other person in this state having control and charge of a child from the age of six to the child's eighteenth birthday shall send that child to the public schools during the entire school year. The child's attendance shall be continuous and consecutive for the school year fixed by the school district in which the child is enrolled."

A student may be excused for chronic/serious illness, religious observances, family bereavement, mandatory court appearance, college visits or other reasons approved by a building administrator. When a student is absent from school, their parent/guardian must follow the attendance procedures outlined below.

A student with an excused or exempted absence has the right to complete the work missed and receive credit for it. Class discussions and activities cannot be duplicated. Students will receive one day for each day excused absent to make up work. This includes tests and quizzes. It is the responsibility of the student to obtain all necessary makeup work. Assignments or assessments given to the student prior to their absence will be due upon the student's return. School-sponsored activities are exempted absences. This includes field trips, athletic contests, counselor appointments, student club obligations, school business, etc.

When entering or leaving the building at times other than the beginning or end of the school day, a student must "sign in" or "sign out" in the attendance office. Students will receive an admittance slip to get into their classroom if they arrived late or the student will be given permission to leave the building if they are signing out

Attendance Procedures – Middle School & High School

<u>Tardiness</u> – Students are expected to arrive on time to all classes. Students who arrive within five minutes after the start of class will be marked tardy to the class. Students who arrive later than five minutes will receive an unexcused tardy. Students are afforded 3 tardies per class per secondary marking period without penalty. Subsequent tardies in any specific class will prompt the assignment of a detention. Ongoing tardiness in the same class shall cause additional disciplinary action.

<u>Absences</u> – Students are expected to attend class on a regular basis. Excused absences include mandatory court appearance, chronic/serious illness, religious observances, school suspension, family bereavement, school-sponsored field trip/activity, or other reasons approved by a building administrator. Students should work with their assigned building administrator to ensure that attendance records are accurate. The student and family maintain the responsibility for communicating with the school about the nature of any absences and providing all necessary documentation for absences of a specialized nature. Furthermore, any documentation substantiating special absences from school must be provided to a school administrator in a timely fashion following the absences. For an absence to be excused, a parent must call the attendance office to notify the school of the absence within 24 hours of the absence.

Long-term absences, in excess of 5 days, must be prearranged and approved one week in advance through the submission of an Extended Absence form available in each school's attendance office. This will allow students to receive assignments in advance of the absence when possible and notify the school ahead of any extended time away from school.

Long-term absences and chronic absences have a negative impact on student achievement. Many classroom experiences are not able to be recreated (discussions, lab work, group assignments) and can negatively impact a student's grade.

Families will be informed of poor attendance patterns; email communication will be provided including class attendance status at the 5, 7 and 9 absence point in any semester. The communication will be issued by the school including the course name, total number of absences, and the absence designation as excused or unexcused. Chronic absenteeism will result in a meeting with school staff and a referral to Oakland County Truancy Officer and other county resources.

If an absence is unexcused, students may not be permitted to make up the work missed or due during that period (this includes missed assessments/tests, labs, presentations, or other assignments). Any absence that is not excused within 24 hours of the absence, it will remain an unexcused absence.



THE YEARBOOK NEEDS YOUR SENIOR HEADSHOT



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO SIGN UP. LINK WILL ALSO BE ON SENIOR SCHOOLOGY

PRESTIGE WILL BE AT ATHENS ON

Thursday, October 12, from 1pm-7pm

This free headshot, taken by Prestige, will go into the yearbook and will appear on the free senior composite.

*Note: Only photos taken by Prestige are included in the senior composite, as that is a gift from Prestige. However, students who do not take a headshot with Prestige can still be in the yearbook.

SENIOR HEADSHOT FAQS

WHAT IF MY STUDENT CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE FREE HEADSHOTS ON 10/12?

Prestige will be back at Athens on 11/13 for a make-up session. Also, you can schedule an appointment with Prestige at anytime by calling their Ferndale studio at (248) 871-9898.

WHAT IF I WANT MORE POSES THAN JUST THE HEADSHOT TAKEN?

Our free event is only for headshots. You can schedule an appointment with Prestige at anytime by calling their Ferndale studio at (248) 871-9898.

WHY ARE ONLY HEADSHOTS TAKEN BY PRESTIGE INCLUDED IN THE SENIOR COMPOSITE?

The senior composite is a generous free gift that Prestige makes and gives to families of seniors. Because it something from the company, they only use the photos they take, as those are the photos they have access to.

WHAT IF I ALREADY TOOK A HEADSHOT WITH PRESTIGE?

Then you are all set! When Prestige sends all of the headshots to the yearbook, your headshot will be included.

WHAT IF I WANT TO USE A DIFFERENT PHOTOGRAPHER FOR MY STUDENT'S SENIOR HEADSHOT?

That's fine! You'll need to send in a photo that meets the below specifications.

- -Must be an INDOOR headshot photo (just shoulders and head; outdoor and full body poses are not permitted for the senior headshot section of the yearbook)
- -Must be 1.375" by 1.875" at 300 dpi in jpeg format -Must have a WESTCOTT MOONLIGHT CLOUDSCAPE background
- -Must be emailed to athensyearbook5475egmail.com by Monday December 4th, 2023 at 11:59pm
- -Late submissions will NOT be accepted.

WHAT IF MY STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE ANY SENIOR HEADSHOT? WILL THEY BE IN THE YEARBOOK?

Yes, in that case, we would include your student's ID photo.

Attn: Parents of Seniors

This last year at Athens will be an exciting an devent-filled one for you and your twelth grader. It also can be an exhausting and expense-filled year, as well. "First-timers" especially, find the numerous costs associated with getting through this last year of high school staggering. The following is an overiew of many senior expenditures. It is far from complete, but does cover major events. All fees are approximates.

Senior Portrait	Aug-Nov	\$150+	No, but Prestige will take a free composite/yearbook picture at Athens on October 12th from 1:00-7:00 pm in the Auditorium Lobby.
Senior Panoramic Photo	October 26 7:45 am in gym	\$25	No
College Application Fee	Fall - Winter	Varies	Varies
College Visitation	Fall - Winter	Varies	No (but a good idea)
Senior Class Mementoes (T-shirt, Coffee Mug, etc.)	Sept - June	\$50+	No
Yearbook	Sept - March	\$75+	No
Announcements	Online - Jostens	Approx. \$1.30 ea	No
Cap & Gown	Online - Jostens	Approx. \$40	Yes (to participate in ceremony
Prom	May 10, 2024	Ticket/attire	No
All Night Party	TBA	TBA	No (but a good idea)

Senior Calendar

October

12 Free Senior Head Shot for Composite/Yearbook 1:00-7:00 pm- Signup Genius to follow 12 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 12:30-3:30 pm, 5:30-8:00 pm 26 Senior Panoramic Photo, 7:45 am -Gym- Wear Senior Sweatshirts

November

03 No School 08 Early Release 7:20 am-12:40 pm 22 No School 23 No School 24 No School

December

06 Early Release 7:20 am-12:40 pm 22 Winter Break Begins

January

08 Back to School 16 First Semester Exams, Hours 1 and 2 17 First Semester Exams, Hours 3 and 4 18 First Semester Exams, Hours 5 and 6 19 No School

29 No School

12-16 Charity Week 19-20 Mid-Winter Break 29 Parent Teacher Conferences, 5:30 - 8:30 pm

06 Early Release 7:20 am-12:40 pm 22-29 Spring Break

April

25 1/2 Day

May

10 Prom, Andiamo in Warren 7-11 pm TBA Senior Honors Convocation Practice TBA Seniors Last Full Day

TBA Seniors Only, EXAMS Hours 1,2,3 TBA Seniors Only, EXAMS Hours 4,5,6

TBA Senior Picnic, 11:00 am-Parent Planned TBA Senior Honors Convocation, 5:00-7:00 pm

TBA Commencement TBA All Night Party-Parent Planned

Senior Pictures - Prestige Studio
• (248) 548-7660 Royal Oak or (248) 377-2444 Oakland Township Cap & Gown/Announcements – Jostens (586)781-5618

*All dates are subject to change.

SENIOR YEAR - TIMELINE CHECKLIST Seriors CLASS OF 2024



Take a Fall SAT and/or ACT if needed (have test scores you want by December)
Attend any information workshops or meetings your school hosts
Narrow down your list of colleges to apply to
Begin applying to colleges
Stay organized with your deadlines throughout the application process
Send transcripts and request letters of recommendation
Write thank you notes for letters of recommendation
Fill out the FAFSA
Attend any Financial Aid Workshops offered by your school or local universities
Send test scores through testing agencies
Apply to scholarships
Make a college decision and secure your spot by paying your deposit
Celebrate!!

ATHENS CLUB INFORMATION 2023-2024

Interested in joining a club? Check out our club list to see what Athens has to offer. We encourage all students to get involved. Please contact the advisor for club information. Note: Club list is subject to change based on minimum student membership.)

Club	Advisor	Email address
AHS TECH CREW	Mr. Minchella	gminchella@troy.k12.mi.us
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AHS POETS SOCIETY	Ms. Smit	dsmit@troy.k12.mi.us
AMBASSADORS CLUB	Ms. Lynch	slynch@troy.k12,mi,us
ART CLUB	Ms. Velk	mvelk@troy.k12.mi.us
BADMINTON CLUB	Mr. Sanders	jsanders@troy.k12.mi.us
BIOLOGY CLUB	Ms. Boogren	rboogren@troy.k12.mi.us
BSA - BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE	Ms. Briguglio &	rbriguglio@troy.k12.mi.us
	Ms. Dent	adent@troy.k12.mi.us
BOOK CLUB	Mrs. S. Vought	svought@troy.k12.mi.us
BPA	TBA	TBA
CHEMISTRY CLUB	Mr. E. Beregszaszy	eberegszaszy@troy.k12.mi.us
CHESS CLUB (November to February)	Mr. M. Reimann	mreimann@troy.k12.mi.us
CHINESE CLUB	Mr. J. Sanders	jsanders@troy.k12.mi.us
CIRCLE OF FRIENDS	Ms. B. Matti	bmatti@troy.k12.mi.us
COMPUTER CLUB	Mr. J. Pudaloff	jpudaloff@troy.k12.mi.us
COMPUTER SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY	Mr. J. Pudaloff	jpudaloff@troy.k12.mi.us
DANCE CLUB	Ms. J. Riley	jadalana612@gmail.com
DEBATE CLUB	Ms. K. Cracchiolo &	kcracchiolo@troy.k12.mi.us
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DECA	Mr. R. Holder &	rholder@troy.k12.mi.us
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GIRLS AND FRIENDS WHO CODE	Mr. J Pudaloff	ipudaloff@troy.k12.mi.us
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HUM CLUB (Helping Unique Minds)	TBA	TBA
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MATHEMATICS CLUB	Mr. M. Mitchell &	mdmitchell@troy.k12.mi.us
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ATHENS CLUB INFORMATION 2023-2024 - continued

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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY	Ms. B. Rice &	brice@troy.k12.mi.us
NATIONAL HONOR GOOLETT	Ms. S. Syme	ssyme@troy.k12.mi.us
NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONORS SOCIETY	Ms. A Olsen	aolsen@troy.k12.mi.us
NO PLACE FOR HATE	Ms. H. Nagi &	hnagi@troy.k12.mi.us
NOT LAGE FORTIATE	Ms. A. Dent	adent@troy.k12.mi.us
P7 CLUB	Ms. M. Mori	mmori@troy.k12.mi.us
PEER MEDIATION	Ms. K. Manfredi	kmanfredi@troy.k12.mi.us
PEP BAND/SPIRIT CLUB	Mr. A. Cable	acable@troy.k12.mi.us
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PING PONG CLUB	Mrs. R. Boogren	rboogren@troy.k12.mi.us
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PROJECT LEAD	Ms. B. Rice	brice@troy.k12.mi.us
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	Mr. R. Holder	rholder@troy.k12.mi.us
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Athens Theatre Company Presents...



November 10, 17 - 8:01 pm November 11, 18, 19 - 3:00 pm

\$20.00 Adults / \$15.00 Students/TSD \$5.00 Seniors / Special Patrons All Seats Reserved ~ Call 248.823.2923 to reserve tickets

> Athens High School 4333 John R Troy, MI 48085 www.athens.k12.mi.us



TICKET ORDER FORM

Performance Dates

Friday, November 10 8:01 pm

Saturday, November 11 3:00 pm

Friday, November 17 8:01 pm

Saturday, November 18 3:00 pm

Sunday, November 19 3:00 pm

Please circle the performance and indicate in the box below the number of tickets needed, name, and phone number.

Use ONE form for each performance.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ATC

Name (please print)
Phone Number
<u>līckets</u>
\$20.00 Adults \$15.00 Students/TSD
\$5.00 Seniors / Special Patrons
AHS Staff () TSD ()

Patron YES NO

ALL SEATS RESERVED

Total # of Tickets:

NO ADDITIONAL TICKETS ARE ABLE TO BE ADDED ONCE THIS RESERVATION IS
RECEIVED. BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR WHOLE PARTY ON ONE ORDER.

Albens Theatre Company

4333 John R Road Troy, MJ 48085 Attn: Krista Manfredi

For assistance or any questions, call: 248.823.2923



ATHENS HIGH SCHOOL WINTER SPORTS 23-24





Your current sports physical must be uploaded into Final Forms prior to any sport tryout, www.finalforms.com

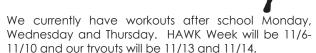
BOYS BASKETBALL -

Varsity Coach - Dave Scott <u>dscott@troy.k12.mi.us</u>

If you are interested in playing boys' basketball this season, join our Schoology group for all information about this upcoming season. Our Schoology access code is:

WFVBK-NSHZR

Also, follow us on Twitter and Instagram: @troyathenshoops



GIRLS SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING -

Head Coach - Lori Uchwal-Hollier

For information please contact the coach at: luchwal@trov.k12.mi.us



BOYS SWIM & DIVE -

Head Coach - Matt Butka



For information please contact the coach at: mattbutka62@gmail.com

BOYS / GIRLS BOWLING Head Coach - Angie Vieira

rayv1228@gmail.com

The season runs November - February

Tryouts are Monday, November 13th and Tuesday, November 14th, 5:00-7:00 pm at Escape Lanes.

First practice is Thursday, November 16th, 5:00-7:00 pm at Escape Lanes and we practive there Monday -Thursday 5:00-7:00 pm.

COMPETITIVE CHEER -

Varsity Coach - Tina Brown troyredhawkscheer@gmail.com

Competitive Cheer tryouts will be November 6-10, 6:00-8:30 pm West Deck.

GIRLS BASKETBALL -

Varsity Coach - Stacie Klumpp sklumpp@troy.k12.mi.us

Lady Red Hawk Basketball: Please find more information at Twitter @AHSGirlsHoops and Schoology Group Access Code: **B9MJ9-7H227**

Open gyms and Conditioning: Sessions are voluntary and prospective players in all grades are encouraged to attend. They will take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays 2:30-3:30 pm and Thursdays 6:00-7:00 pm.

<u>Tryouts 2023-2024:</u> Prospective players attend all sessions prior to Team Selections

Monday, November 20 -5:00-7:00 pm in Main Gym

Tuesday, November 21 -5:00-7:00 pm in Main Gym

Wednesday, November 22 - TBD

Monday, November 27 -6:30 pm Program Parent Meeting In TACC

WRESTLING -

Head Coach - Robby Keyes keyesrobby@gmail.com



First practice is November 13th and will be held on the East Deck from 3:00-5:00 pm. There are no tryout and no experience is necessary. There are boys and girls divisions. Please contact the coach with any questions.

TROY UNITED HOCKEY -

Coach Josh Brown - jbhockey0827@gmail.com

11/2-11/3 3:15-4:45 pm \$10 each skate @ Buffalo Wild Wings Arena

Contact the coach for any additional information.



For additional information, contact: Todd Heugh theugh@troy.k12.mi.us or Lisa Buscemi <u>lbuscemi@troy.k12.mi.us</u>

College Board Student Search Service - Is your student planning to go to college? Please follow the link below to learn more about what the College Board Student Search Service can do for your college-bound student.

https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/about/benefits/student-search-service

- AP Testing Please see flyers on pages 19 & 20 for AP Registration.
- For specific standardized testing information visit <u>www.sat.org</u> and <u>www.act.org</u>
- Transcripts Request your transcript through www.parchment.com Create an account to request transcripts for colleges and NCAA. Instructions can also be located on the Counseling Weebly website: http://athenscounseling.weebly.com

Michigan College Month Application Fee Waivers

October 2023



COLLEGES WITH NO APPLICATION FEES

Adrian College
Albion College
Alma College
Alpena Community College
Aquinas College
Concordia University Ann Arbor
Davenport University
Ferris State University
Glen Oaks Community College
Gogebic Community College
Grand Rapids Community College
Grand Valley State University
Henry Ford College
Hope College

Jackson College
Kalamazoo College
Kellogg Community College
Kettering University
Kirtland Community College
Lake Superior State University
Macomb Community College
Madonna University
Michigan Technological University
Muskegon Community College
North Central Michigan College
Northern Michigan University
Northwood University
Oakland Community College

Oakland University
Rochester University
Saginaw Valley State University
Schoolcraft College
Siena Heights University
Southwestern Michigan College
Spring Arbor University
University of Detroit Mercy
University of Michigan*
University of Michigan-Dearborn
University of Michigan-Flint
University of Olivet
West Shore Community College

* Students can request a fee waiver in the application. Waivers are automatically granted to students who qualify for free or reduced price lunch.

COLLEGES WAIVING APPLICATION FEES

Institution	Dates	Waiver code (if needed)
Calvin University	Oct. 1-31	1876
Central Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	None for CMU app, FireUp2024 on Common App
Eastern Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	MCAM
Lawrence Technological University	Oct. 1-31	OCTOBER1932
Michigan State University	Oct. 1-21	Spartan1855
MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology	Oct. 1-31	
Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College	Oct. 1-31	
Western Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	

For institution-specific information on all 83 public and private, 2-year and 4-year institutions in Michigan, including admissions and financial aid, please visit MCAN's Michigan Institution Updates page at tinyurl.com/mcanupdates or scan the QR code below with your smart device.







OCTOBER 16-20

MONDAY- COLLEGE CONVERSATION DAY

TUESDAY- CAREER DAY

WEDNESDAY- OUIZ DAY & JUNIOR PSAT

THURSDAY- CLASS CONTEST DAY

FRIDAY- COLLEGE SHIRT & RIVALRY DAY

UPCOMING COLLEGE REP

KETTERING UNIVERSITY	10/2/2023	8:30 AM
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY (auditorium)	10/3/2023	12:30 PM
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (auditorium)	10/5/2023	9:30 AM
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	10/9/2023	8:30 AM
OAKLAND UNIVERSITY	10/10/2023	8:30 AM
ALMA COLLEGE	10/11/2023	12:30 PM
• KALAMAZOO COLLEGE	10/16/2023	1:15 PM
PURDUE UNIVERSITY	10/17/2023	8:30 AM
- UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA	10/20/2023	12:30 PM

All visits in Counseling Office, Room 134, unless otherwise noted. Go to Sign-Up Genius to reserve your spot. Juniors & Seniors only. Please be sure to check in with hour teacher.

<u>U.S. Selective Service</u> - Registration for Men 18-25

Selective Service registration is required by law as the first part of a fair and equitable system that, if authorized by the President and Congress, would rapidly provide personnel to the Department of Defense while at the same time providing for an Alternative Service Program for conscientious objectors. By registering, a young man remains eligible for jobs, state-based student aid in 31 states, Federally-funded job training, and U.S. citizenship for immigrant men.

https://www.sss.gov/Home/Registration

Selective Service accepts early registrations as young as 17 years and 3 months. The Selective Service System has not now, or in the past, collected or shared any information which would indicate a man's immigration status, either documented or undocumented.

MAP

Michigan Assured Admission Pact

Beginning with the class of 2024, MAAP ensures every Michigan high school graduate with a 3.0 GPA or higher will be admitted to participating universities.





















REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT INFORMATION FOR THE 2024 ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS

SEPTEMBER 11 - OCTOBER 30, 2023: 1ST SEMESTER & FULL-YEAR AP COURSES DEADLINE

JANUARY 22 - MARCH 4, 2024: 2ND SEMESTER AP COURSES ONLY DEADLINE

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT CHECKLIST:

You must register for EVERY AP Exam that you plan on taking using the "Join Code" provided by your AP teacher(s). After joining your AP Classroom, you are automatically enrolled for the exam. You must notify the counseling department if you no longer wish to take the exam BEFORE the deadline.

_____ Complete payment for your exam(s) through the School Pay tab on the PowerSchool Parent Portal, or by check to "Athens High School". The cost of each AP exam is \$100.00. AP Seminar & AP Research is \$145.00 each.

1 Exam*	\$100
2 Exams*	\$200
3 Exams (1 is AP Seminar)	\$345
4 Exams*	\$400
AP Research OR AP Seminar	\$145

Example Number of Exams

Any student that has not completed all required steps will not have exams ordered. There are no refunds or late-testing exam orders after the registration deadline.

Families who are enrolled in the **National Free and Reduced Lunch Program** may contact Mrs. Blazoff (<u>kblazoff@troy.k12.mi.us</u>) for a reduced-price request. All requests are subject to review.

Example of Cost

Athens Schedule for the First Week of AP Exams

	ARRIVE AT 7:20AM	ARRIVE AT 11:20AM
Monday May 6	U.S. Government	Chemistry
Tuesday May 7	Human Geography Microeconomics	Seminar Statistics
Wednesday May 8	English Literature	Computer Science A Comparative Government and Politics
Thursday May 9	Environmental Science	Psychology
Friday May 10	United States History	Macroeconomics

Athens Schedule for the Second Week of AP Exams

	ARRIVE AT 7:20AM	ARRIVE AT 11:20AM
Monday	Calculus AB	
May 13	Calculus BC	
Tuesday		Physics C: Mechanics
May 14	English Language	Physics C: Electricity
May 14		and Magnetism (2PM)
Wednesday	Franch Language	Computer Science
May 15	French Language	Principles
Thursday	Spanish Language	Biology
May 16		Japanese Language
Friday		Physics 2
May 17		,

For additional information, please visit the College Board website or the Athens Counseling Weebly Page:

http://athenscounseling.weebly.com/ap-testing.html

ATTENTION PARENTS OF THE CLASS OF 2024: SENIOR PORTRAIT, YEARBOOK, SENIOR RECOGNITION AD INFO

The following few pages contain everything you need to know regarding **senior portraits**, **purchasing yearbooks and purchasing senior recognition ads**.

SENIOR PORTRAITS

Prestige:

- The following page contains a detailed letter from Prestige Portraits. Prestige is the preferred photographer of Athens. The yearbook program automatically receives the portraits of all students who take their portraits with Prestige. Once the portrait is taken, students will need to select their preferred pose. After that, everything is taken care of for them regarding the yearbook.
- Students can make their own appointment at any Prestige location anytime before the deadline.
- Athens will also be providing two dates in the fall for students to get their portraits taken at school for **FREE** (this is only for the headshot pose; any other desired senior poses would require an appointment). **Exact dates will be announced in the fall.**
- Students who take their headshot with Prestige also receive a copy of the senior composite.
 This is a free gift from Prestige that includes all students photographed by Prestige. Because it is a gift from Prestige, students who do not take a photo with Prestige cannot be included. However, the senior composite is not the same thing as the yearbook; students who do not take a headshot with Prestige can be included in the yearbook (see below for more info).

Independent Photographers:

- While we do prefer students to enjoy the convenience and professionalism of Prestige, we
 understand that some may prefer to use an independent photographer. If you would like to
 submit a senior portrait from an independent photographer, the <u>required</u> specifications are
 below:
 - Must be an <u>INDOOR</u> headshot photo (just shoulders and head; outdoor and full body poses are not permitted for the senior headshot section of the yearbook)
 - Must be 1.375" by 1.875" at 300 dpi in jpeg format
 - Must have a WESTCOTT MOONLIGHT CLOUDSCAPE background
 - Must be emailed to athensyearbook5475@gmail.com by

Monday, December 4th, 2023 at 11:59 pm

• Late submissions will **NOT** be accepted.

Note: If you do not take a headshot with Prestige or submit your own from an independent photographer, we will include your school ID photo.

PURCHASING YEARBOOKS:

- Yearbooks must be purchased online at www.jostens.com
- Search for Troy Athens High School once there
- More info/dates on following pages

SENIOR RECOGNITION ADS:

- Senior recognition ads must be purchased online at www.jostensadservice.com
- You will design the ad on this website; the yearbook staff does not design ad
- More info/dates on the following pages

MORE INFO ON SENIOR PORTRAITS FROM PRESTIGE

Dear Parents & Seniors of the Class of 2024 -

Congratulations! The excitement of senior year is just around the corner. Now is a good time to give your some information regarding your senior portraits.

The senior portrait - is there a more captivating or cherished remembrance of the senior year? We expect the ver best portrait program for our Red Hawk seniors. That is why **Prestige Portraits** has been serving our Athens community for many years and will continue to do so this year. These are just a few benefits of **Prestige Portraits** that we'd like to pass on:

- **Unsurpassed service and value!** Prestige offers early-bird specials and other incentives throughout the year to fit any budget. Assistance is also provided to every customer to help you select the best package to fit your needs!
- Full-service yearbook support! Your yearbook photos are delivered to the Athens yearbook adviser for you! Prestige also provides professional group and candid photos for the yearbook.
- **State-of-the-art facilities!** We encourage you to visit any of Prestige's convenient locations to check out the newest sets and backgrounds. Plus, each studio has steamers, hair dryers, and health/beauty supplies to be sure you look your best!
- Class Composite! As a gift you to and Athens, Prestige provides a class composite for the school and a copy for every student photo- graphed by Prestige.



Prestige wants to make our senior portrait experience as enjoyable as possible. Please call their **Ferndale Studio at 248.871.9898** or **Oakland Township at 248.377.2444** if you have any questions. If you would like to schedule an appointment, please do so early in order to guarantee availability.

Deadline to be photographed (by Prestige) for the 2024 yearbook: NOVEMBER 18th, 2023 Deadline to SELECT your preferred portrait/pose (through Prestige) for the yearbook:

DECEMBER 4th, 2023

at 11:59PM

*If you do not select a portrait by the deadline date, the default portrait will be selected for you.

The professional and friendly staff at Prestige are looking forward to hearing from you and are happy to assist you with your needs.

Sincerely,
Sadie Besl
sbesl@troy.k12.mi.us
Athens High School
The Odyssey Yearbook Adviser

PRESTIGE PORTRAITS LOCATION

Royal Oak/Ferndale 1230 Woodward Hts 248.871.9898 Oakland Township 4906 Adams Rd. 248.377.2444 Novi 40000 Grand River Ave. 248.427.1002 Shelby Township 46855 Hayes Rd. 586.532.9300

MORE INFO ON PURCHASING A SENIOR RECOGNITION AD

Senior recognition ads are a great way for parents, families, and friends to commemorate student achievements and important milestones. In addition, revenue from senior recognition ads helps our school create a better yearbook. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions below. Jostens is managing all yearbook ad sales for Athens, so please do not send materials to the school regarding senior ads. Please take into account the content guidelines below when creating your ad.

Order your ad by January 26, 2023

Ads are full color

Full Page Ad

(includes a free yearbook): \$375

Half Page Ad: \$190Quarter Page Ad: \$100

• Eighth Page Ad: \$65

EASY PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE FOR ORDERS OF \$30 OR MORE

CONTENT GUIDELINES AND FAQS

- Athens reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication
- We retain the right to remove any explict text, graphic photos, or copyright-protected imagery or photos
- For your ad to appear in the yearbook, your ad must be purchased by the order deadline
- We will make every effort to use your layout and text as indicated. A proof will not be provided and no changes can be made after purchase.

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Ad prices are determined by the school. The revenue from ads helps support our yearbook and keep it affordable for everyone.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for yearbook.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop or mobile devices.

Can I send my materials to the school?

No, please do not send your materials to the school. Athens has selected Jostens to assist with our ad program. Please call our customer service number (800.358.0800) if you have questions or need assistance creating your ad.



MORE QUESTIONS? CALL JOSTENS AT 800.358.0800

INFO ON PURCHASING A YEARBOOK FOR ALL GRADES

The Athens yearbook class works hard throughout the year to create a full color, over 200 page, inclusive yearbook. We love sharing the book with Red Hawks each spring! Check out our website:

https://athenshighschoolyearbook.weebly.com/



YOU CAN ALSO PERSONALIZE YOUR YEARBOOK IF YOU'D LIKE

To personalize your book, it must be purchased by January 31, 2024.

Purchasing yearbooks early secures you the best price. The price increases throughout the year, starting at \$75 and reaching \$100. Questions about purchasing a yearbook can be directed to Sadie Besl at athensyearbook5475@gmail.com or sbesl@troy.k12.mi.us



SUPPORT TROY YOUTH ASSISTANCE



Troy Youth Assistance is a non-profit organization focused on prevention and dedicated to the protection and advancement of at-risk youth.

We have been supporting youth and families in Troy since 1958. As one of 26 Youth Assistance programs in Oakland County, our office operations are tri-sponsored by the Oakland County Circuit Court-Family Division, the Troy School District, and the City of Troy. We rely on personal donations to fund the majority of our youth programs.

Services provided:

- · Casework Services offer confidential, short-term, family-centered counseling and referral services for youth
- Family Education offers youth workshops and parenting programs tailored to today's issues
- Camp/Skill Building provides scholarships for activities to youth who may need financial assistance
- Mentors Plus matches adult volunteers with youth who may need a mentor
- Youth Involvement sponsors activities to help youth interact positively with one another and their community
- Youth Recognition awards "Boost Grants" to high school students to help them overcome obstacles and
 continue their journey toward reaching their academic and professional goals

Contact us at 248-823-5095 or TroyYouthAssistance@troy.k12.ml.us www.TroyYouthAssistance.org

Please help us continue our work with your donation!

Scan the QR code to give online

or visit www.TroyYouthAssistance.org/Donate



Mail your check to Troy Youth Assistance with this form:

TYA, 4420 Livernois Rd., Troy, MI 48098

Name:	
Email:	
If you have a child in Troy schools, which schoo	1?



We are a community-based nonprofit dedicated to supporting **Troy School District** students and teachers. Each year, we aim to give up to \$100,000 in **scholarships** for graduating seniors and **grants** to teachers, schools, and the whole district!

This year, we're asking for your help in reaching our goal!

RECENT TFEE GRANTS

More than \$35,000 granted to classrooms, bringing teachers' great ideas to life for our students \$55,000 granted to create classroom libraries for every TSD Middle School English, Language Arts and Special Education Teacher Every TSD elementary school received thousands of new teacher selected books thanks to a \$40,000 literacy grant

With your support, we can do even more!

Giving is simple! You can donate online by visiting

TroyFoundation.org/Donate, scanning the QR code to the right, or by mailing a check made out to the Troy Foundation for Educational Excellence to 4400 Livernois Rd., Troy, MI 48098.



Scan to give online!

P.S. Do you know of a business that would be interested in supporting the TFEE? Contact us at troyfoundation@gmail.com to learn about our new business partnership program!

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	Mail donation and form to TFEE, 4400 Livernois Rd. Troy, MI 480g8 or visit troyfoundation.org/donate to give online today!	
Name:		
Address:_		
Email:		
If you have	e children attending TSD, which school(s) do they attend ?	

OCTOBER

04..... Count Day

06...... Football Game - Home vs. Royal Oak 7:00 pm

11...... PTO Meeting 7:00 pm

12...... 1/2 Day - Conferences - Afternoon & Evening

12...... Prestige Free Senior Headshots 1:00-7:00 pm

13...... Football Game - Home vs. Troy 7:00 - 9:30 pm

15...... AHS/THS Choir Cabaret at Athens 2:00 pm

17...... Orchtoberfest - 7:00 pm

18...... Juniors ONLY - PSAT/NMSQT

20...... Picture Re-Take Day

20...... Football Game Away - Henry Ford II 7:00-9:30 pm

26...... Senior Panoramic 7:45 am Main Gym

AHS Administration

Mr. Vernon K. BurdenPrincipal

Ms. Megan Henry Asst. Principal A - L

Mr. Mike Munaco Asst. Principal M - Z



NOVEMBER

02...... End of 1st Marking Period

03..... NO SCHOOL

22-24 ... Thanksgiving Recess - NO SCHOOL

TSD Administration

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Mrs. Christine DiPilato
Asst. Superintendent,
Secondary Instruction

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Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall.

- F. Scott Fitzgerald