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# ORIOLE OUTLOOK

## 2023 National Blue Ribbon School

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### From Mr. Shockley

INSPIRED STUDENTS.  
ENGAGED LEARNERS.  
EMPOWERED CITIZENS.

I want to recognize our four juniors who were named Rising Stars of Indiana: Calleigh Neal, Connor Taylor, Matthew Vetter, and Abigail Wyndham.

They were recognized along with 1,000+ juniors from across the state by the Indiana Association of School Principals. Calleigh, Connor, Matthew, and Abigail represent some of the finest students and young people in Indiana and have accomplished so much in their academic career. I want to wish them continued success in the years to come!

The course selection process for 2024-25 began in November for sophomores and will continue for freshmen and juniors in January. The Guidance Department will provide students information about course selections and then schedule individual appointments with each student to align choices with future college and career goals. Those appointments will begin in late January and continue until spring break.

We will let parents know when that information has been shared with students so that conversations can begin at home about courses. See the [Guidance Section](#) for more information and where to find resources on the website.

AHS offices are closed over the holiday break but reopen on Monday, January 8. Students return to school on Tuesday, January 9, and they will receive a copy of their 2nd semester schedule. The week we return, our schedule will be 7 Per Day (Tuesday), A Day (Wednesday), B Day (Thursday), and C Day (Friday.)

On January 15, 2024, school will not be in session due to the observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Day.

Seniors mark your calendar for Graduation on Friday, May 24 at 7:00pm at the Indianapolis Convention Center. No tickets are required. More detailed information to come in April.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all Oriole families!

## Save The Date

### January

1st-5th	Winter Break
8th	Teacher Day, No Students
9th	Students return to school; 7 Per Day; will receive new schedule in SRT.
15th	MLK Day No School
29th-30th	ZAPS ACT Test Seminar, 6:30pm, L101 Lecture Hall

### February

1st	Junior Parent College & Career Night, 7:00pm, Auditorium
6th	Class of 2028 Parent Night, 7:00pm, Auditorium
19th	Snow Makeup Day, No School
27th-28th	ZAPS ACT Test Seminar, 6:30pm, L101 Lecture Hall

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Events

## Club Corner



Avon TV hosted their second annual "Santa Stop" on Dec. 2nd for community families. Clubs provided games, treats, hot cocoa, and more for all to enjoy. Mr. and Mrs. Claus made their arrival to hear lots of gift requests from students and some families.

Happy Holidays, AHS Clubs!

A list of current clubs can be found on the Avon High School Club webpage below.

Clubs meet after school and students interested in joining a club should message the club sponsor. Any students interested in starting a club here at AHS should message Mr. Nelson.





## Guidance Department Updates

Our counselors are excited to continue scheduling for the 2024-2025 school year. Current sophomores are wrapping up the pre-enrollment process for their junior year, and current freshmen and juniors will begin the process in January.

Pre-enrollment and scheduling materials will be presented to freshmen and juniors in SRT on Wednesday, January 17th. Students can input course requests in PowerSchool from January 17th to January 24th. Information about courses offered at Avon High School in

2024-2025 is located in our [Program of Studies](#). Avon offers hundreds of different courses in a large variety of subjects.

Counselors will be meeting individually with each freshman and junior in January and February to discuss classes for next school year, progress toward Graduation Pathways requirements, and plans after high school.

Be sure to check our [guidance website](#) or your student's Schoology for scheduling information after January 17th.

## Area 31 Enrollment

Is your current sophomore or junior interested in Area 31? Mark your calendars for the Area 31 Open House on January 25th from 5:30pm-7:00pm at the Career Center at Ben Davis. Area 31 programs are available to junior and seniors at Avon High School and 10 other area schools.

Area 31 students attend career preparation classes for a half-day every day -- either in the morning or afternoon. The other half of the day is spent at Avon High School. Most Area 31 career programs are based at the Career Center at Ben Davis High School. Bus transportation is provided for all Avon students to Area 31 program locations.

The [Area 31 Programs Video Overview](#) is a great place to start to get a better idea of Area 31 programs available. Then, be sure to go to the [Area 31 website](#) to get even more information about specific programs of interest. The [Virtual Tour](#) is another way to explore Area 31 programs. Have your student ask their counselor for more information!

**Where PASSIONS become PROFESSIONS**

**AREA 31 CAREER CENTER**

**COME EXPLORE THE OPPORTUNITIES!**

- Learn from professionals in the career field in which you are interested!
- Be career **AND** college ready upon graduation from high school.
- Programs are available to high school juniors and seniors.
- Earn college credits while in high school!
- Tuition is paid by your local school district, so there is little to no cost to you.

**OPEN HOUSE - JANUARY 25, 2024**  
**5:30PM - 7:00PM**

*See what we're all about by scanning the QR code above!*

**Visit [area31careercenter.com](http://area31careercenter.com) for more info!**

PJ's Cosmetology will offer \$5 haircuts. Cash only.

1200 N Girls School Rd  
Indianapolis, IN 46214  
Door 17

Harvest, our in-house restaurant, will be selling food and drinks!

## Graduation Pathways

Click [here](#) for a link to more information about Graduation Pathways, including an overview about requirements, charts containing Career Concentrator Courses available at Avon, and a video explaining Grad Pathways and Diploma types. Counselors have met with freshmen in first semester PCC classes regarding Grad Pathways already, and will be meeting with second semester PCC classes in January to discuss this important requirement.





# Important Senior Dates

*Class of*  
**2024**  
Avon High School

DATE	EVENT	TIME	DETAILS
Wednesday, April 17	Herff Jones Graduation Announcement and Gown Delivery	9:45am- 12:45pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Main Commons</li><li>• Anything not pickup up will be in A-JAC or JAD-Z Guidance Offices</li></ul>
Friday, May 24	Class of 2024 Commencement	7:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Indiana Convention Center</li><li>• No tickets required</li></ul>

**Watch our website for updated information  
as we get closer to each important senior date.**





# Avon Academy Graduation

**SYF** Simon Youth  
Foundation



## Congratulations to the 1st Graduates of Simon Youth Academy at Avon

Daniela Aleman  
Riley Brock  
Samuel Clemens  
William Fant  
Maria Gerardo  
Kasie Kerner  
Taylor Napier  
Jamie Nicotra  
Haylee Scheler  
Carlos Smith  
Emily Taylor  
Mar'Taja Williams

**[Click here to see all the graduation pictures](#)**

**Band Concert**



**Cake Wars**



**Choir Christmas Caroling**



**Dance Recital**



**DECA Project Angel**



**Interact Club Project Angel**



**Madrigal Dinner**



**Orchestra Concert**



**[Click here to see all the pictures from these events](#)**







# What's Happening in the Library

- **Congratulations to the Library Reading Contest Winners for November:**

**Malak Marzak, Eliza Louthain,  
Abigail Feldmann, Joseph Ajayi,  
Eli Neal, Hannah Foster,  
Aaron Abebe, & Kellie Rodkey**

- **Students have been researching social justice issues, essential nutrients, and creating research pathfinders.**
- **Students took part in a Makerspace winter craft activity.**



..... Join the .....

# Avon Schools Team!



## Become a Substitute Teacher



### SALARY BENEFITS

\$110/day (\$120 with valid teaching license)  
\$55/half day (\$60 with valid teaching license)



### BONUS

Any substitute teacher who completes 12 or more full day equivalent assignments during the course of a calendar month will receive an additional \$10/day compensation for those assignments.



### FLEXIBLE SCHEDULES

Work as few as 4 days a month to as many as 4 days a week. Assignments can be accepted in advance to have a set schedule or accepted last minute.

A minimum of 20 credits from an accredited college or university - OR - related experience in an educational setting with a high school diploma.

**Ready to Apply?**

**VISIT**



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**[Click Here for  
AHS Schedules](#)**

**WE ARE**

**AVON.**



**Inspired students.  
Engaged learners.  
Empowered citizens.**



**WE ARE**

**ONE.**





## Attendance

If your child misses school or is late for any reason, call the Attendance line, (317) 544-5000, option #1. You may call this line 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).

## Early Dismissals

Occasionally, students may need to be dismissed early from school. 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 2023-2024 school year.



## Immunizations

The Indiana State Department of Health sets the immunization requirements for students attending public schools in Indiana. For the 2023-2024 school year, all students in grades K-12 will be required to have 2 appropriately spaced doses of Hepatitis A vaccine and a second dose of Meningitis is required for seniors. 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.