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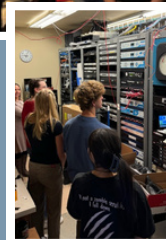
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MediBridge 2024 was a huge success! Nearly 200 students from North, East, and West rotated through twenty stations. Students had 1:1 conversation with volunteers in a wide variety of medical careers, coming away with contact information for networking. Our community is a great support of our future healthcare professionals! Extra thanks to all who helped support this career exploration project!



WOODWARD COMMUNITY MEDIA

Today four North students joined another six from East and West to tour Woodward Community Media. Woodward Community Media is an employee-owned media company that informs, entertains and connects our local communities through audio, video, digital and event content. They manage several radio stations and produce Insight Magazine. Students met employees in broadcasting, journalism, sales, marketing, photography, and graphic design and toured studios and equipment areas. While there, they produced a radio advertisement for Appleton North High school which will air throughout Monday 10/25 on WHBY. Be sure to listen for a special Rodney shout-out!





IMPORTANT DATES

DATES

Nov 1: End of 1st Quarter
 Nov 7: Reality Check
 Nov 7: National Honor Society Induction - 7 pm
 Nov 8: Jazz Clinic East/West/North - 12-3:30 pm
 Nov 19: One Act Performance State Send-Off Performance - 7:30 pm
 Nov 21-23 - State One Act Festival
 Nov 26 - North marching Band in Appleton Holiday Parade
 Nov 27-29 - No School - Thanksgiving Break
 Dec 5: Band Concert - All 3 Bands
 Dec 6: Tuba Christmas - 7 pm
 Dec 7: Drama Day - Grade 1-3
 Dec 12-13: North Choir Wintersong

Dec 14: Improved - 7:30 pm
 Dec 16: Jazz Band Holiday Concert
 Dec 19: North Drama Musical Auditions
 Dec 19: North Music Ensemble Tour
 Dec 23-31: Winter Break (classes resume Jan 2)



END OF SEMESTER 1 SCHEDULE

Monday, January 13th	Tuesday, January 14th
Regular Bell Schedule	Regular Bell Schedule

Wednesday, January 15th	
7:55 - 9:10	Period 1
9:10 - 9:20	Break
9:20 - 10:35	Period 2
10:35 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:00	Period 3
12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH
1:00 - 2:15	Period 4
2:15 - 3:30	Make Ups/Re-Takes
Bus Pick Up	

Thursday, January 16th	
7:55 - 9:10	Period 6
9:10 - 9:20	Break
9:20 - 10:35	Period 7
10:35 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:00	Period 8
12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH
1:00 - 2:15	Period 5
2:15 - 3:30	Make Ups/Re-Takes
Bus Pick Up	

Friday, January 17th
No School Professional Development Day

Students with lunch, study hall, or campus option/privilege do not need to report to the building during that time (on Wednesday, January 15th and Thursday, January 16th only).

STUDENT/TEACHER EXPECTATIONS

Student attendance:

Students do not need to attend during study hall, release, or lunch periods.
 Students need to attend all scheduled class periods

Teacher expectations:

All classes have scheduled learning activities during exam periods which may include assessments, culminating learning experiences, or celebrations of learning.
 Communicate that all students must attend all scheduled classes.

school drop-off/pick-up PROCEDURE

Parents, please remember that the drop off zone for your students (AM and PM) is in the back of the school parking lot, not the front. The entrance is either on Ashbury or Edgewood Dr (JJ). However, exiting the parking lot is only from a specific exit found near the baseball field. This exits onto JJ. Please see the MAP on the right for details.



FRONT STAFF PARKING LOT
ABSOLUTELY NO PARKING/DROP OFF/PICK-UP
BUS LANES
NO PARKING/DROP OFF/PICK-UP
7:30 AM TO 8:30 AM / 2:30 PM TO 4:30 PM

The front of the school is reserved for all cabs, Valley Transit and Lamers buses that drop off and pick up our students. Additionally, we have designated buses that provide transportation for students with special needs and the drop off is in designated areas closest to their classroom. This is most preferable and safe. We appreciate your help in providing a clear lane to transport students without traffic congestion. Our Bus Lanes have new fresh markings this year. Please comply as marked.



yearbooks

The new 2024-25 North Yearbook online order site is now open. Don't miss your chance to get a yearbook. The cost is \$50. Cash orders can be made directly from Mrs. Strom in Room 1307 before school OR families can order anytime online: **CLICK LINK BELOW TO ORDER**

- All senior photos must be turned in by **October 31, 2024** due date so that there is time to deal with any issues before the actual pages are due to our publisher. NO EXCEPTIONS! Plan ahead!
- Photos should be submitted to Ms. Michelle Strom via email at: nhsyearbook@asds.k12.wi.us
- Digital copies are required -- the best way to do this is to have your photographer send in your selected photo. If you only have access to a print copy, you must scan it and email it.
- We reserve the rights to reject photos that do not meet the requirements listed below:
 - Photos must be at least a standard wallet size (especially when you are scanning them) and full resolution.
 - The picture must be a standard portrait, head and shoulders ONLY; no hands, raised arms.
 - We do NOT edit or crop photos. Photos should be submitted meeting the requirements.
 - Vertical pose / portrait oriented (we have found that landscape orientated photos often don't work since our photo boxes are portrait)
 - Photos must be in full color, no black and white, sepia, or loud filters.
 - Neutral backgrounds; outdoor shots are acceptable as long as the background is not distracting or bold. Look for greenery, pines, buildings with brick walls, stone walls, columns.
 - Attire must be appropriate - no hats, shirts with alcohol or drug references, etc. If wearing a strapless or thin strapped top - please make sure that enough of the top shows in the frame, keeping in mind that part of the top / bottom of the photo may be cut off.
 - No props allowed: friends, pets, outside poses with cars / weapons / etc, or backgrounds that are distasteful or loudly colored, etc.



Starting at \$50.00 [Order My Yearbook](#)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

There's nothing else like your school yearbook. Get your hands on the limited edition collection of our stories from the year. Share it with your friends today and hang on to it for years to come!

SHIPPING INFORMATION

Delivered at your school.

[ORDER MY YEARBOOK](#)

SENIOR PORTRAIT INFORMATION

It's time to get your senior photo taken! If you are using a photographer, please print this and bring it with you at the time of your appointment. Because there are so many photographers to choose from, and students often take their own photos, here are the guidelines you need to know regarding your yearbook headshot.

School ID photos may be used. If a photo is not submitted by the **October 31, 2024** deadline, and a school ID photo is available, the ID photo will be used.

If you have any questions any questions, please contact our Yearbook Advisor:
Michelle Strom
nhsyearbook@asds.k12.wi.us
or call 920-852-5405



APPLETON NORTH
HIGH SCHOOL

ABSENCES & ILLNESS

HOW TO REPORT STUDENT ABSENCES & APPOINTMENTS

ABSENCE PROCEDURES:

To report an absence, a parent or legal guardian:

- Must call North Student Services office line at (920) 852-5405 (press 1 for illness and absences) as early as possible each day the student is absent.
- If leaving a message, please provide the student's name, grade, and reason for the absence. Please speak slowly and clearly-- Please spell out the Last Name. This will ensure we have the correct information.
- You have the option to reach a Spanish or Hmong interpreter.
- Messages are checked continually throughout the day.

EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH PRIOR PARENT REQUEST:

- A parent/guardian may request that a student be excused from school attendance prior to an absence occurring.
- The request can be made via phone contact with the school.
- The student may be excused by the parent/guardian under this provision for not more than 10 days in the school year.

PLEASE NOTE: After a student's 10th absence, documentation will be required for an excused absence.

HEALTH ROOM

& ILLNESS



If your student falls ill during school hours, it is important that they come to the nurse's office. Once they are in the Health Room, under our nurse's care, they are free to call a parent/guardian to consult with them as to what the next best step should be. When this step is skipped, it create confusion and is time consuming for the parent and Student Services staff.

We appreciate your assistance in this process.

DURING SCHOOL HOURS STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

PROCEDURES

ONCE THE SCHOOL DAY BEGINS:

- All students arriving/departing school during the school day **MUST** stop at the Main Office to sign-in/sign-out.
- Parents can park in front of the Main Entrance to wait for students leaving for appointments or leaving due to illness until 2:30 PM.
- Parents **DO NOT** need to stop in and sign out their students in the Main Office if the office has been notified of their student leaving. The student will sign out and wait for their parents by the doors.
- If parents need to drop off items (lunches/money/clothing, etc.) for students during school day, please use the Main Office also. All items (labelled accordingly) can be placed on the shelves between the outside door and main office door.

APPOINTMENTS

All student appointments (such as medical, dental, court) must be called in advance to the Student Services office by a parent or legal guardian at (920) 852-5405. Press 1 for Student Services menu and follow the prompts.

Note: Due to the high volume of appointments, if your student is planning on leaving school within 30 minutes on the appointed day, when you call in, please follow the prompt to speak to a Student Services secretary directly.

1. Once the parental call has been made to excuse the student, he/she can notify the teacher of the appointment.
2. The student **MUST** sign-out in the Main Office upon leaving the building.
3. Upon returning to school, the student **MUST** sign back into Main Office. Parents **DO NOT** need to come in when picking up or dropping off your student after an appointment.
4. Freshman leaving school for Lunch Hour must have a parent come in the Main Office for pick up to be excused.

TARDY PROCEDURES

School starts at 7:55 AM daily.

1. A warning bell will ring at 7:50 AM daily notifying students that they have 5 minutes to get to their class.
2. If a student arrives to school after the 7:55 AM bell rings (whether having an excused absence or is tardy), they **MUST** always sign-in with the Attendance Secretary through the Commons entrance. Once the Commons entrance door is locked, all late check-in must be done in the Main Office.
3. Once a student has been tardy for 5 times during a semester (not a quarter), they will receive a detention.

ABSENT REQUEST

Parents/guardians can use the Absence Request found on **Infinite Campus/Parent Portal** tool to submit a request that informs the office in advance when their student is not going to be in school.

This new feature can be used as an alternative to the traditional phone calls to the school office. Read more on how to submit an Absence Request via the Campus Portal.

[Read More](#)

MEDICATIONS @ SCHOOL



Medications should be administered at home whenever possible. Parents/guardians are urged to consult with the prescribing practitioner to determine if medications can be scheduled outside school hours. In the event that this is not possible, designated district staff will administer medication according to district policy.

All medications administered by AASD staff are only available to students during school hours (7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.). ***Per the AASD medication policy, non-FDA-approved medications cannot be administered.

PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION

- 1.The current Medication Consent form, signed by parents/guardians and the prescribing practitioner must be on file at the school.
- 2.The prescription medication must be supplied in the original pharmacy-labeled package indicating the correct dosage and frequency of administration. This information must be the same as provided on the above-noted form. Only the amount of medication needed at school shall be contained in the package.
- 3.If changes in the dosage take place, an updated Administration of Medication Consent form, and an updated pharmacy-labeled package will be required.

NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION (over-the-counter)

- The parent/guardian must complete a Medication Consent form.
- Medication must be supplied in the original manufacturer’s package with the student’s name affixed on the package. Other packages, such as a baggie filled with pills, will not be accepted.

SELF-MEDICATION

Although it is permitted and sometimes necessary, students are discouraged to carry and administer their own medications, If a parent/guardian wishes their child to possess and self-administer medication, please notify the school office to discuss this and to complete the required form.

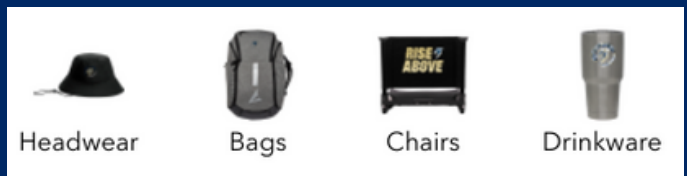
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1.Your pharmacist can provide a second empty labeled container so that you will have containers for home and school. Medication will not be given if in an unmarked container (i.e., baggie, envelope).
- 2.All controlled substances must be delivered to the school by a parent/guardian or another adult. Parents /guardians are encouraged to deliver the package of medication to the school office to prevent tampering by the child and other students.
- 3.For controlled substances, school staff will verify the amount of the medication delivered by counting individual units of medication in the presence of either the adult who delivers it or another school staff.
- 4.Unused portions of medication after the completion of the school year or when discontinued will be disposed of after 7 days if not picked up by the parent/guardian.

Medication forms may be obtained from the school office or from the AASD website: [AASD MEDICATION FORMS](#)



24/7 SCHOOL STORE



Shop Now

The Appleton North Lightning Online Store is now open to purchase items. New items (such as headwear, bags, chairs, decals & drinkware) along with Lightning favorites are available. New this year, we are offering options from two different stores. These are great gifts for birthdays and holidays – show your North Lightning Pride!

Three Easy Steps:

- 1.Go to North Website – [**NORTH WEBSITE**](#)
- 2.Choose your items and add them to your cart
- 3.Securely checkout with your credit card

Please note...Shipping and delivery information is noted on each of the different sites-- they may be different depending on your order.



START COLLEGE/EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT REQUEST

Start College Now	Early College Credit Program	Request for High School Credit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrollment within Wisconsin Technical Colleges Available to 11th and 12th grade students. Students must have a cumulative high school grade point average of at least 2.0 at the time of the determination. The district board may reject an application from a pupil who has a record of disciplinary problems, as determined by the district board. Summer courses are not eligible. Students cannot participate in the Start College Now Program and the Early College Credit Program simultaneously. To learn more, click here 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrollment within University of Wisconsin System institutions, tribally controlled colleges, private nonprofit institutions of higher education. Does not include Wisconsin Technical Colleges. Available to 9-12 grade students. Summer courses are eligible. Students cannot participate in the Start College Now Program and the Early College Credit Program simultaneously. <p>To learn more, click here.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning happens outside of school day on a student's own time and at their own expense. AASD will analyze the student opportunity and determine if and how much High School credit will be awarded. To learn more, click here

Appleton Area School District offers three programs for eligible high school students wanting to enroll in courses through a University of Wisconsin two- or four-year campus, tribally controlled college, or participating private, nonprofit college/university in Wisconsin. The requirements are included in the table below. The application may be accessed by clicking on the link in each of the columns. The deadline to enroll in a spring semester course is October 1st of each academic school year. The deadline to enroll in a fall semester course is March 1st of each academic school year. If you have any questions please reach out to your School Counselor.



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personal electronics procedure R E M I N D E R

Student use of personal electronics is not permitted during class time. Personal electronics are generally cell phones, earbuds, and headphones but this can include others at instructor/administrative discretion. Class time includes study hall and privilege. Personal electronics will not be utilized in the LMC as the LMC is a classroom area. Personal electronics can be appropriately used during school hours when class is not in session.

Personal Electronics will not be on a student's person during class time. It will be expected that electronic devices be placed in a locker, in a backpack, or specific area of the classroom as designated by the instructor.

A student in violation of the Personal Electronics Policy will submit the device to staff as requested and be held in the Student Services office until a student/guardian picks it up at the end of the school day.

Violation of this policy by students will result in disciplinary action which may include:

- Application of school disciplinary practices and procedures;
- Notification of parents/guardians or legal custodians;
- Notification of the activities director and/or co-curricular coaches/advisors;
- Notification of law enforcement officials;
- Notification of the District Superintendent or designee;
- Suspension from school;
- Recommendation for expulsion.

Refusal to surrender the personal electronics device will result in immediate contact home and possible ISS/OSS with length of time determined at the time of offense.

1st Offense

Instructor obtains personal electronics device, delivers to Student Services. Student obtains personal electronics device at end of instructional day

2nd Offense

Instructor obtains personal electronics device, delivers to Student Services. Student turns in personal electronics device to Student Services for that day and turns it in for the duration of the next instructional day

3rd Offense

Instructor obtains personal electronics device, delivers to Student Services. Student turns in personal electronics device to Student Services for the duration of the next three instructional days

4th Offense

Instructor obtains personal electronics device, delivers to Student Services. Students turn in personal electronics devices to Student Services for the duration of the next five instructional days. Parent phone contact about the past four incidents

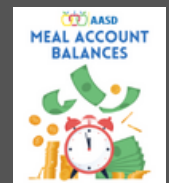
5th Offense

Instructor obtains personal electronics device, delivers to Student Services. Student turns in personal electronics device to Student Services for the duration of the next five instructional days. Mandatory parent meeting with principal, parents, student about past five incidents/future plan

Refusal to surrender the personal electronics device will result in immediate contact home and possible ISS/OSS with length of time determined at the time of offense.

Student Meals

Please remember to add money to your meal account if you have not applied for the current year. Visit our Food Service [website](#) for more information, meal prices, and to add money to your account. If you have questions, please email the Food Service staff at foodservice@asas.k12.wi.us or by phone at (920) 852-5314





APPLETON NORTH BOOSTER CLUB

CLICK TO READ OCTOBER'S NEWSLETTER



WHAT IS THE BOOSTER CLUB?

The Appleton North Sports Booster Club exists to support and advance the athletic program and related activities of Appleton North High School, thereby increasing the skill levels of student-athletes and cultivating clean, wholesome school spirit, promoting good sportsmanship, and developing high ideals of character. The club supports projects to improve facilities and equipment to provide an adequate athletic program for the school.

HOW DOES THE BOOSTER CLUB RAISE MONEY?

- Donations
- Fundraising Activities
 - The Annual Summer Golf Outing
 - Concession Sales

We have 10 active Board member volunteers with several opportunities for you to be involved! The opportunity for YOU to volunteer, and serve on our Board, is vital to the future of our sons and daughters' athletic experiences at Appleton North High School. We need YOU! Our athletes thank you!!!

Contact via email: anh boosterclubpresident@gmail.com and through social media pages.

Concessions Volunteers Needed

Concessions not only enhance the experience of taking in a North sporting event, but they also serve as a major fundraiser for the Booster Club.

As concessions are staffed solely by volunteers, we are asking all of the North community to volunteer time for at least one event. A myth is that you must volunteer for an event your student athlete is participating in, and this couldn't be further from the truth! Have a baseball player? Then volunteer for a football game. Have a girls tennis player? Then volunteer for a basketball game.

Click the button below for Fall volunteer opportunities, and thank you for your time!

[Concessions Volunteer Opportunities](#)

President's Letter

Change is in the air at Appleton North! As the seasons shift and the days grow shorter, our fall sports are winding down, and winter sports are taking form along with the new training facilities. We're proud of our student-athletes for their hard work both in the classroom and on the field. Let's keep cheering for those heading into the postseason—wishing them all the best!

Closer to home, we're also saying thank you to Jeff Druckrey, who is wrapping up his time as Membership Chairperson on the Booster Club Board. We're grateful for his dedication over the past two-plus years in helping grow our membership.

Mike Maddaloni, Appleton North Booster Club
president@appletonnorthboosterclub.com

Please join us for our next Booster Club meeting on Wednesday, November 13, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Appleton North Library Media Center (LMC). All members of the Appleton North community—parents, alumni, coaches, and area residents—are welcome to attend!

Thank You Volunteers!

New Social Media Handles

We have synchronized all of our social media handles for Facebook, X (formerly Twitter) and Instagram to:

anh boosterclub

If you are already following us, the new handle is still connected, and if not - why not follow us now?!

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/anh boosterclub/>

X - <https://x.com/anh boosterclub>

Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/anh boosterclub>

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2024-25 SPORTS CALENDAR

NORTH

SPORTS	START DATE	END DATE
FALL SPORTS		
Football	8/28	11/22
Baseball	8/28	11/22
Softball	8/28	11/22
Varsity Soccer	8/28	11/22
Girls Soccer	8/28	11/22
Wrestling	8/28	11/22
WINTER SPORTS		
Basketball (Boys)	11/18	2/15
Basketball (Girls)	11/11	2/15
Hockey (Boys & Girls)	11/11	2/15
Swim & Dive (Boys)	11/18	2/15
Swim & Dive (Girls)	11/18	2/15
SPRING SPORTS		
Baseball	3/18	5/15
Softball	3/18	5/15
Varsity Soccer	3/18	5/15
Girls Soccer	3/18	5/15
Wrestling	3/18	5/15

Click here for 2024-25 Sports Calendar



ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The starting dates for the Winter sports are as follows:

Basketball (Girls): November 11

Hockey (Boys & Girls): November 6

Basketball (Boys): November 18

Swim & Dive (Boys): November 18

Wrestling(Boys & Girls): November 18



PLEASE NOTE:

Any student who plans to participate in a Winter sport must turn in a physical exam or an alternate year form into the Main Business Office. The must be done before the season starts. Forms are available on Appleton North's website or pick up in person in the Main Office.

This fee must be paid before an athlete can be active in practices and participate in athletic events.

If you have any questions pertaining to the North Athletic Program, please contact the Main Business Office, 920-852-5300.

See North's website for specific information

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Commonly used APPLEton North Sites:

- North High School Home Page: <http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Appleton-North-High-School>
- Twitter: [@AppletonNorth](https://twitter.com/AppletonNorth)
- Sports/Activities: <http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/cocurriculars>
- Fine Arts: http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/cocurriculars/fine_arts/
- District Home Page: <http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/>



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