

AAST NEWSLETTER

April 22 - April 26, 2024

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UPCOMING EVENTS

New Junior Orientation
May 16

Sr Exams May 20 - 21

Senior Ceremony
May 29, 7:00 pm
MBHS Auditorium

Senior Awards
May 23, 6:00 pm

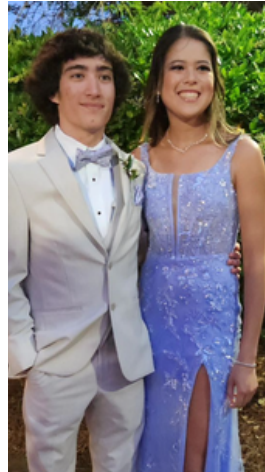
Senior Day
May 28

US History EOCT
May 30

Jr Exams June 4-5



AAST Spring Gala



On Friday, April 19, 2024, AAST held its highly anticipated annual Spring Gala at the House of Blues. Students and staff came together to celebrate a festive gathering filled with music and dance.

AAST on the Web!
Stay Connected!



Pharmacology in the Lab



Students in Mrs. Watson's Pharmacology for Medical Careers Honors class completed a pharmacology compounding lab, demonstrated the proper technique to compound a solution spray, and created their own version of "Poo-pourri" using a variety of essential oils. They also brainstormed other pharmacy compounds produced by technicians and evaluated which compounds require an aseptic environment.

STEM Night at Pelicans Field



AAST participated in STEM night held at the Myrtle Beach Pelicans' Field. At the event, representatives from the robotics team showcased one of the school's robots. It was an engaging demonstration highlighting AAST's and the MB Pelicans' commitment to STEM education.



Earth Day at the Bay



AAST celebrated Earth Day by participating in the Great International Clean-Up on Saturday, April 20, 2024. About 60 students cleaned Ocean Bay Elementary, Ocean Bay Middle, and the Academy for the Arts, Science, and Technology campuses. We are so proud of students who understand the importance of keeping our Earth clean and who don't mind a little hard work.

Voter Registration at AAST



YOUR VOTE MATTERS

The League of Women's Voters registered fifteen new voters at AAST this week!



For National Volunteer Appreciation Week, we would like to say thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers who help make AAST a great place to learn.

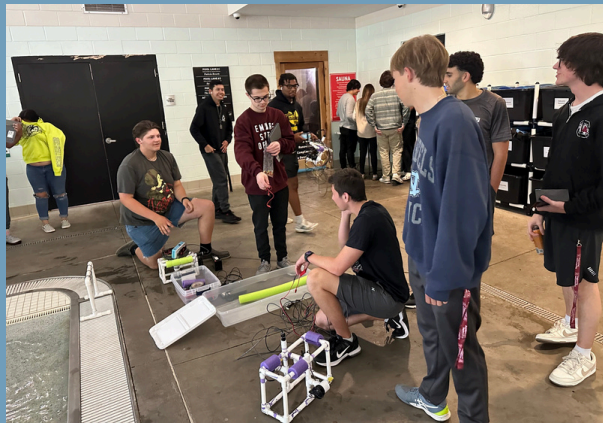
The chair of the AAST Parent Involvement Committee, Ms. Courtney Brown, is pictured above. Thank you to the **AAST Parent Involvement Committee for all that you do for our AAST!**

Career Day at AAST

On Friday, AAST had more than 30 community partners visit for the Spring Career Fair. It was a great opportunity for students and staff to connect with firms in our area for internships, summer jobs, career training, apprenticeship opportunities, and educational pathways.



Aerospace Engineering Students Testing ROV's



Students in Aerospace Engineering recently designed an ROV (remotely operated vehicle). Students had to design, build, wire, and solder to construct the entire design. They had to consider protecting the wires from the water and the buoyancy of their product. Students traveled to the Claire Chapin Epps Family YMCA to test the maneuverability of their designs. They used the cameras on the device hooked into their computers to control the ROV "remotely." This project will simulate what it would be like to control an ROV on the Moon or Mars.

HTC Reel Kid, Daniel Walsh



Please help us congratulate AAST's 2024 REEL Kid, Daniel Walsh! His English IV teacher, Mrs. Hewitt, nominated Daniel for his resilience, determination, and unwavering commitment to his education and personal growth.

Clean Energy in the Garden



Mrs. Johnson's Clean Energy students spent time working outside in honor of Earth Day! They harvested onions and snap peas, planted radishes and flowers in the greenhouse, and worked on their koi pond project.

24th Annual Horry-Georgetown County High Schools Juried Art Exhibition



AAST was well represented at the 24th Annual Horry-Georgetown County High Schools Juried Art Exhibition. Pictured above is a selection of our talented artists whose works are displayed at the Burroughs and Chapin Art Museum. For the full list of works and winners, please [click here!](#)

AAST Wins at the HCS Tech Fair

Animation:

1st Place - Julia Sutter and Mia Raimondi

2nd Place - Keilla Sanders and Zoe Williams

3rd Place - Ethan Grimm and Carter Kimball

Digital Game Design:

2nd Place - Joseph Pelley

Digital Photo Production:

3rd Place - Collins McCallum

Graphic Design:

2nd Place - Kimberly Gonzalez

Internet Applications:

2nd Place - Madison Dorman

Passion Projects:

1st Place - Maria Rosol

3rd Place - Jordan Grainger

Project Programming:

1st Place - Brandon Bernal-Andrade

Teacher Project:

1st Place - Lesley Etherson

Video Production:

1st place - Yahir Vazquez Avelandanez, Robert Sisson and Moses Trammel



AAST's New SRO



Please help us welcome Officer Christopher Dukes as our new SRO! Thank you for all that you do to keep our students and faculty safe.



AROUND AAST



"If you see something, say something.@"
HCS is committed to providing our students and staff members with a safe and secure learning environment.



Click the links below to learn more about AAST's plans to keep our koi safe!
[Standard Response Protocol for Parents \(English\)](#)
[Standard Response Protocol for Parents \(Spanish\)](#)
[School Safety Poster](#)

Administrative Assistant Appreciation



We celebrated our front office staff for Administrative Assistant Day! Thank you to Ms. Jackson, Ms. Bean, Ms. Moore, Ms. Barnes, and Ms. Grant. We appreciate all they do for our AAST family!

Guidance and Attendance Important Information

For up to date scholarship information, [click here!](#) You can also find this link on your grade level Google Classroom!

The end of the school year is quickly approaching. Many students have exceeded the allowable number of unexcused absences. Check your Power School Parent and Student accounts!

Attendance recovery begins April 15th, 2024. Sessions will be from 2:45 - 3:15 pm in the Media Center after school. Two sessions = 1 block attendance recovery.

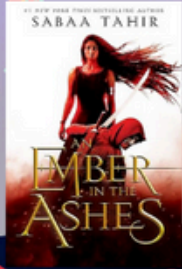
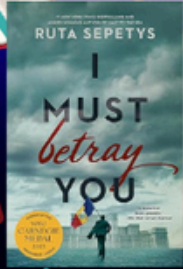
Many base schools also offer attendance recovery options and opportunities.

For questions, please contact Connie Grant cgrant@horrycountyschools.net



PACE/Dual Enrollment 2024-2025

Juniors interested in taking a PACE/Dual Enrollment course in the Fall, need to have all information completed and return to their school counselor by May 3rd. Students can find more information in the Junior Google Classroom or at [this link](#). If you have questions, please contact your school counselor.



LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO READ THIS SCHOOL YEAR? JOIN THE 24-25 HCS BATTLE OF THE BOOKS!