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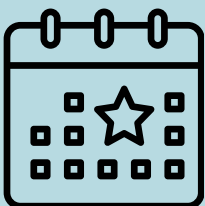
September 9 - 13, 2024



AAST Club Rush

AAST held its first ever Club Rush in the rotunda during lunch. It allowed new and returning students to get information about the many wonderful clubs that AAST has on offer!

Upcoming Events



SANTEE COOPER LUNCH AND LEARN
SEPTEMBER 17

CTE ADVISORY & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL DINNER MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19 @ 5:00

COLLEGE APPLICATION DAY
SEPTEMBER 20

BOEING FIELD TRIP
SEPTEMBER 24

BE PROUD BE PRO
SEPTEMBER 25

SENIOR MAKEUP PICTURE DAY
OCTOBER 8

ED OP DAY
OCTOBER 9

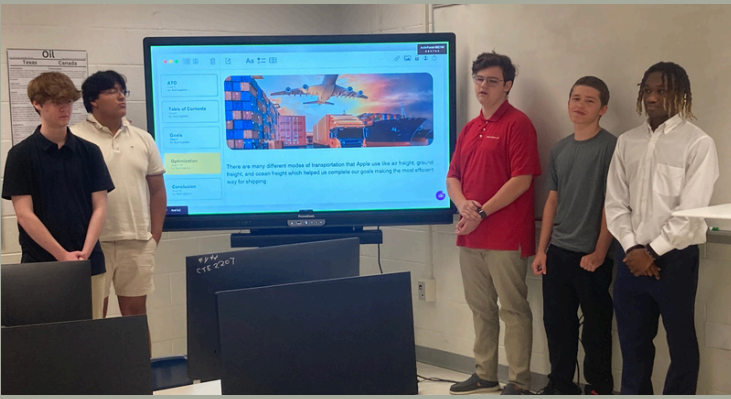
STATE FAIR/USC FIELD TRIP
OCTOBER 11

NO SCHOOL
OCTOBER 14-15

HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTIONS
OCTOBER 17 @ 5:00

UNDERCLASSMEN MAKEUP PICTURE DAY
OCTOBER 23

Global Logistics Presentations



In Mr. Jordan's Intro to Logistics class, teams were tasked with locating several sourcing options for the commodity of their choice. They presented their researched findings to the Board of Directors to support the sourcing option they chose.

In his Global Logistics Management class, teams chose a commodity or company to research the different modes used to transport goods along the Supply Chain. The teams presented their findings to the Board of Directors as a Transportation Policy for the company to best serve the needs in shipping.

Chicken Wing Autopsies



Ain't No Thang but a Chicken Wang is a dissection in which the students get to show their mastery over two units they have covered so far in class. Students must be able to identify the 4 tissue types found within the chicken wing, which is from histology. The deep dive comes from the integumentary system. The chicken has different characteristics that make its skin unique (addition of feathers). The students need to find and discuss the differences between human and chicken skin during this dissection.

EMS Students Preparing for the National First Responder Registry Exam



This week EMS I and EMS II students have been busy working on airway, moving and lifting skills. EMS II students will be taking the National Registry First Responder exam at the end of the semester. The EMS major is an expansion of our Pre-Medicine program here at AAST.

Guest Speaker: Maddie Kauffman, CCU Director of Student Success



Maddie Kauffman, director of student success at Coastal Carolina, visited to talk about CCU's PreMed program and the pathway students should take in their college medical careers.

Guest Speaker: Dixon Boggs, Carolina Greenery



Dixon Boggs from Carolina Greenery/Island Greenery partnered with AAST student Caden Mack as a mentor and equipment supplier. They installed a drip irrigation system to our greenhouse over the summer. Mr. Boggs brought the plants, pots, soil, etc. this week. Clean Energy Strategies students planted snapdragons along with Mr. Boggs in the greenhouse.

Clean Energy Pollinator Garden

Clean Energy juniors planted squash, green beans, carrots, beets, and broccoli in our Clemson Cooperative Extension garden. They also planted some milkweed seeds in one of our pollinator gardens. Milkweed acts as a host plant for Monarch Butterflies!



AAST Has Two National Merit Semifinalists



From left: Tracy Wofford and Rachel Pirttima with Ms. Wilson

Congratulations to the National Merit Semifinalists from AAST! It is a great achievement for these students to be recognized for their outstanding academic abilities.

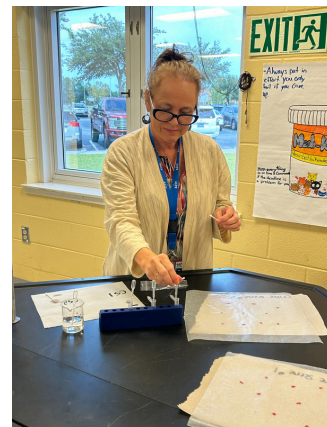
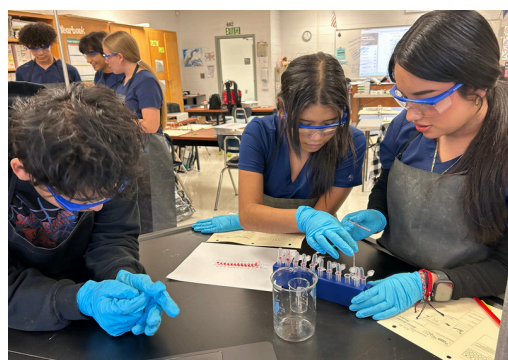
Turning Pennies Into Gold



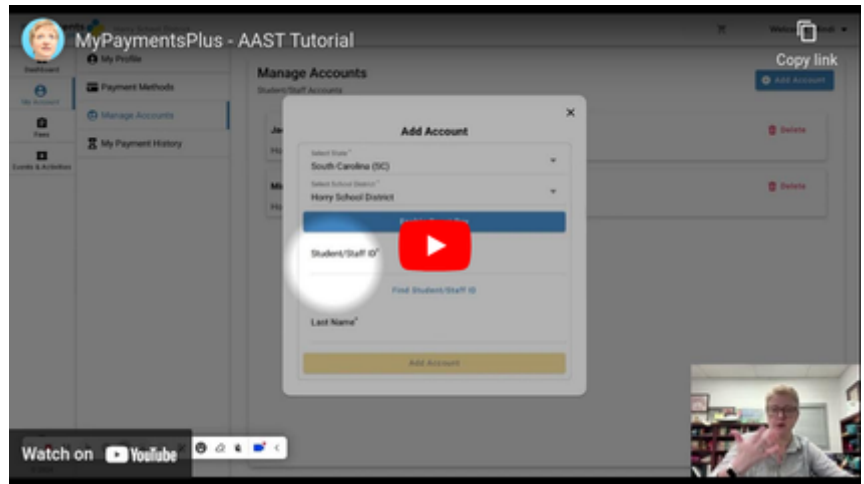
In Ms. Ford's Chemistry Honors class, she posed the question, "Can gold be synthetically made?" After a mini debate in class, students used chemical reactions to test their ideas.

BioMed Students Using Forensics Skills

Junior biomed students put their forensic skills to the test this week examining blood evidence at the scene of the crime. These investigators confirmed that the sample was blood using a Kastle-Meyer test and then ascertained the blood type using Rapid Stain Identification of Human Blood (RSID). The school bookkeeper, Ms. Bean, also got in on the action, showcasing her forensic skills.



Did you know you could pay for all of your school needs online through MyPaymentsPlus? It's a safe and secure way to manage all of your payments without needing cash. For guidance on how to use MPP, please see the video above.



Please review the AAST Student Handbook linked below:
[AAST Student Handbook](#)

SAFETY FIRST

Click the links below to learn more about AAST's plans to keep our koi safe!

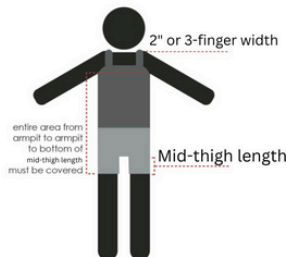
[Standard Response Protocol for Parents \(English\)](#)
[Standard Response Protocol for Parents \(Spanish\)](#)
[School Safety Poster](#)

It is time to schedule your student's Senior Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) meeting! During this meeting, we will discuss college applications, post-secondary plans, scholarships, and remaining graduation requirements. The meeting should last no longer than 30 minutes. Please contact your student's school counselor to schedule a meeting. You can also contact Ms. Moore at the front desk to schedule an appointment.

AAST DRESS CODE

- Hats, hoods, and sunglasses are prohibited inside school buildings.
- The possession of all gang related bandanas and beads are prohibited at AAST.
- Blankets, full body suits, pajamas and bedroom slippers are not allowed.
- Tops must have straps of no less than two inches in width (3-finger width).
- Clothing should be worn so underwear is not visible. Pants and shirt must overlap at all times.
- Shoes are to be worn at all times at school.
- Attire (includes clothing, face coverings, hats, shoes, jewelry, emblems, badges, symbols, signs) should not interfere with the educational process, cause disruption, or damage school property.
- The entire area from the armpit to the mid thigh must be covered in the front and the back of the body.
- Clothing promoting alcohol, drugs, weapons, sexual behavior, clothing with sexual innuendos, and/or ethnic derogatories is not allowed.
- Items such as spiked jewelry (including body piercing), padlocks, chains, and metal heel plates are not allowed.

- Consequences for violating Dress Code may include the following:**
- Students may call parents to bring appropriate clothing.
 - If no alternative clothing is available, student will go to ISS.
 - Absence or tardy due to dress code violation will be unexcused.



REMINDER:

STUDENTS WHO FAIL TO SUBMIT A NOTE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY FOR EARLY DISMISSAL WILL NOT BE GUARANTEED TO LEAVE BY THE REQUESTED TIME. NO STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED EARLY FROM SCHOOL AFTER 2:00PM. THIS PROCEDURE IS IN PLACE TO PREVENT CONTINUAL DISRUPTIONS DURING THE LAST INSTRUCTIONAL BLOCK.

HCS Cell Phone Policy

In accordance with Horry County School District policy, cellular phones, video cameras, other electronic devices, and any sound-producing devices that are deemed disruptive should be turned off and not visible from

8:15 AM until 2:45 PM.

Cell phones and other electronic devices should remain silent and be out of sight during instructional time unless directed by the teacher. To ensure campus safety, students should not walk the campus or hallways while actively talking on a cell phone or with earbuds in their ears.

Student dress should be confined to clothing that is reasonable, practical and in good taste for school. School attire should reflect proper decorum, cleanliness, and comfort. The school will make judgments and decisions as needed to preserve the health, safety, and propriety of students. Student cooperation is expected even during Spirit Week and other school related events.