

AAST NEWSLETTER

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AAST Tours Nephron Pharmaceuticals

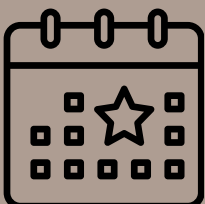


Feb. 3 - Feb. 7, 2025



Mr. Vanasse's Core Engineering students and Mrs. Watson's Pharmacology for Medical Careers Honors students toured Nephron Pharmaceuticals this week. Students learned about the engineering and pharmaceutical process of common medications, toured the machine shop and production floor. Students also learned about career opportunities at Nephron along with paid internship opportunities. They were also treated to a demo of the critical, intricate process of sterile-compound garbing.

Upcoming Events



AAST OPEN HOUSE
FEB 11 6-7PM

SPRING SPIRIT WEEK
FEB 10 - 14

SCHOOLS CLOSED
FEB 17 - 18

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT
COUNCIL - FEB 20 @ 5:00 PM

ACT EXAM
FEB 27



OPEN HOUSE
Tuesday, February 11
6:00 - 7:00pm

Applications will open on January 22, 2025. You may apply on the Horry County Schools or AAST website. Application deadline is February 14, 2025.

New HCS and AAST Cell Phone Policy



On January 22, the Horry County Schools Personal Electronic Device Policy went into effect. Please find the policy linked [here](#). As a result, our school's Personal Electronic Device Policy will be changed as well.

As of January 22, students are required to power off and put away cell phones and electronic devices as they enter the school building. Students are not able to utilize cell phones or personal electronic devices while they are in the building, or from 8:10 through 3:15 p.m. **Students are not able to use cell phones or personal electronic devices during lunches, which is a change from our previous policy.**

The consequences for violating the AAST personal electronic device policy have been changed to align with the HCS Personal Electronic Device Policy. Consequences for violating the personal electronic device policy have been updated in the AAST Student Handbook effective January 22, 2025. Please see the updated consequences below. All violations of this policy will result in confiscation of the device. Cell phones or personal electronic devices that are confiscated will be stored in a secure location until the parent/guardian is able to retrieve it. A parent/guardian must pick up the cell phone or personal electronic device from an AAST administrator.

Disciplinary consequences:

- **1st violation:** Warning
- **2nd violation:** 1 day ISS
- **3rd violation:** 2 days ISS
- **4th violation:** 1 day OSS
- **5th violation:** 3 days OSS
- **6th violation:** 5 days OSS
- **7th violation:** Evidentiary hearing

If a student refuses to give up their cell phone or electronic device, the student will receive a referral for Refusal to Obey and the following consequences will apply:

- **1st violation:** 1 day OSS
- **2nd violation:** 1- 3 days OSS
- **3rd violation:** 3 - 5 days OSS
- **4th violation:** Evidentiary hearing



Confidence Intervals

Students in Mr. Kinlaw's class counted M&M's to find a confidence interval for the proportion of red M&M's. One group estimated the red M&M's in plain and the other group estimated the proportion of red in peanut M&M's. Later, they will use confidence intervals to estimate the true proportion of red M&M's to see if what the company advertises is accurate. The company advertises 13% to be red.

COMING SOON

Filling out the free FAFSA...
we're making it EASY!



Horry-Georgetown Technical College

TECH Central, Building 1100A

2050 Hwy 501 East

Conway, SC 29526

SAVE THE DATE

February 25, 2025

4:00 - 7:00 pm

What should YOU Bring to the event?

Checklist of items NEEDED from you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) in order to successfully complete and submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) during a College Goal South Carolina event*:

- Social Security Number
- Alien Registration Number (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- 2023 federal income tax returns, W-2s, and other records of money earned
- Bank statements and records of investments (if applicable)
- Records of untaxed income (if applicable)
- FSA (Federal Student Aid) ID to sign electronically (if you do not already have one, visit <https://fsaid.ed.gov>)

*If you are not a dependent student, you do not need the listed items from your parent(s)/guardian(s).

For More Information:

Contact Person: Melissa Clark

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Phone: 843-349-5198

For a list of additional dates and locations, visit:

www.sccango.org



@sccango

#CollegeGoalSC



SC CAN GO

National School Counseling Week



Thank you to our wonderful guidance counselors, Ms. Randall, Ms. Gordon, and Ms. Knox for all that you do for our students and staff! You are truly appreciated!

**New HCS
Electronic
Device
Policy**

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](#)

Parents of Seniors - Scholarships

Please make sure your students are checking the scholarship information posted in the Senior Schoology page and on the website. They should also check their base school for scholarships.

**GUIDANCE
INFO**

Attention:
Junior IGP meetings will
start after winter break.

Valentine's Spirit Week

Feb 10-14

**M Status
Day**

Red: Taken
Yellow: Its Complicated
Green: Single

**T Twin
Day**

Match with someone!

**W On
Wednesday
we wear
pink**

**Seniors (red)
vs
Juniors (pink)**

**Th Throwback
Thursday**

Show your love for a
decade by dressing up!

**F Dress
to
Impress**

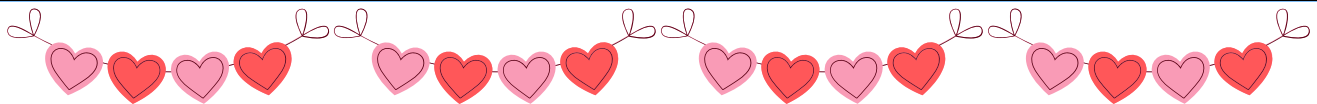
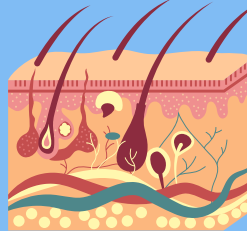
Dress up for your special
person or just for yourself!
Happy Valentines Day!



Edible Integumentary System Models



In Ms. Cornelison and Ms. Fletcher's Health Science 3 classes, students are learning about the integumentary system by completing a lab on the edible skin model.



Forensic Investigation Fundamentals



Mr. Davenport's class is currently studying the fundamentals of crime scene investigation, and this activity was designed to demonstrate the various search patterns we have learned. Students were given the autonomy to select their preferred search pattern, while another group concealed five designated objects within a marked-off area. Following the search, we engaged in a discussion regarding the coordination of the activity, its effectiveness, and the students' reflections on the experience.

Auditions for the Annual AAST Talent Show are February 27th and March 4th after school. There will be sign-up sheets for each day by Mrs. Martin's door. The Talent Show is April 3rd from 6:00-7:30 and rehearsal is April 2nd. All participating students must attend both. Students who participate will receive service hours. Please see Mrs. Martin or Ms. Weaver if you have any questions.

EMS Events at AAST

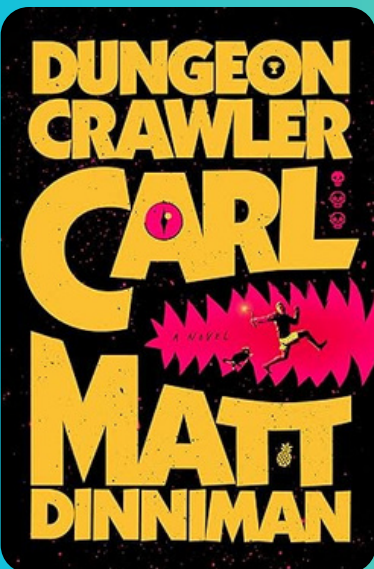


EMS III students attended an internship orientation with Conway Medical Center this week. Students will complete a 40 hour internship in the Emergency Department and Critical Care during the semester.



EMS I students have been busy learning airway management skills this week. Students learned multiple real work techniques to assist patients in respiratory compromise.

EMS is an expanded course offering at AAST under the Pre-Medicine major.



New @ the AAST Library: Dungeon Crawler Carl by Matt Dinniman

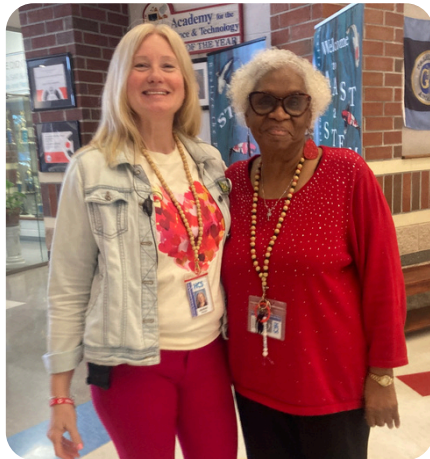
You know what's worse than breaking up with your girlfriend? Being stuck with her prize-winning show cat. And you know what's worse than that? An alien invasion, the destruction of all man-made structures on Earth, and the systematic exploitation of all the survivors for an intergalactic game show. That's what.

Join Coast Guard vet Carl and his ex-girlfriend's cat, Princess Donut, as they try to survive the end of the world—or just get to the next level—in a video game-like, trap-filled fantasy dungeon. A dungeon that's actually the set of a reality television show with countless viewers across the galaxy. Exploding goblins. Magical potions. Deadly llamas. This ain't your ordinary game show.

Welcome, Crawler. Welcome to the Dungeon. Survival is optional. Keeping the viewers entertained is not.

Go Red Day at AAST

Students and faculty wore red on Friday to support Heart Health Awareness!



Congratulations to Dorian Hall and Mimi Faircloth on winning our \$25 Heart Health Awareness raffle!

SNHS Sells Hot Choolate



On Thursday, Spanish National Honor Society sold hot chocolate and cookies in the rotunda!





Chick-fil-A

SPIRIT NIGHT WITH HOSA AAST MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025 TIME: 5PM-7PM



CHICK-FIL-A RESTAURANT
85 RODEO DR,
MYRTLE BEACH,
SC 29579

Present Flyer when you order. A portion of the evening's proceeds will benefit HOSA AAST



♥ AAST Blood Drive ♥



AAST held a community blood drive with The Blood Connection on February 7th. 41 students signed up to donate blood!

Plant the Moon Challenge in Environmental Engineering



Environmental Engineering teams Lunar Landscapers and Vita Luna have been hard at work setting up their experiments to grow carrots in moon soil (regolith) as part of NASA's Plant the Moon Challenge competition!

Crime Scene Analysis with Detective Raven Bunton



On Friday, Detective Raven Bunton presented information on crime scene analysis to the students of Mr. Davenport's, Mrs. Ford's, and Mrs. Rielly's Forensic Science classes. She discussed different types of evidence, chain of custody, and gave examples of some cases. After, Detective Bunton took students outside to show them her equipment truck. Students were able to dust for fingerprints and see all of the tools involved in crime scene processing. Thank you, Detective Bunton, for providing this amazing experience and relaying invaluable information to our students!