

AAST NEWSLETTER

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**AAST Rookie Teacher of the Year,
Mr. Alex Davenport!**



Feb. 10 - Feb. 14, 2025

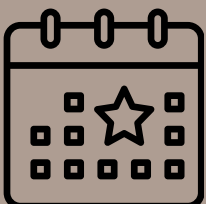


Congratulations, AAST Rookie Teacher of the Year, Mr. Alex Davenport! Mr. Davenport has quickly made a significant impact as an exceptional science teacher. His enthusiasm for the subject is infectious, making learning science fun and engaging for all of his students.

In addition to his excellence in the classroom, Mr. Davenport actively contributes to our school community by helping with the Science Olympiad and serving as a chaperone on the senior trip. He is also set to pioneer a Drone course next year, demonstrating his forward-thinking approach to education.

Mr. Davenport is always open to new ideas and is committed to continuous learning, which is evident in his dedication to both his professional growth and his students' success.

Upcoming Events



SCHOOLS CLOSED
FEB 17 - 18

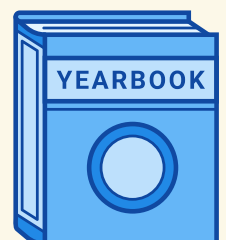
**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT
COUNCIL - FEB 20 @ 5:00
PM**

ACT EXAM
FEB 27

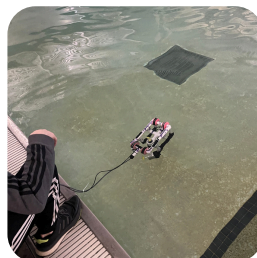
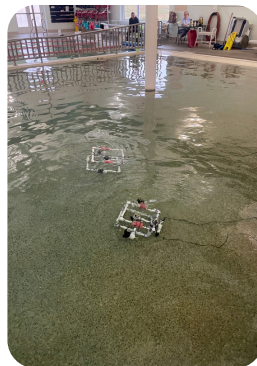
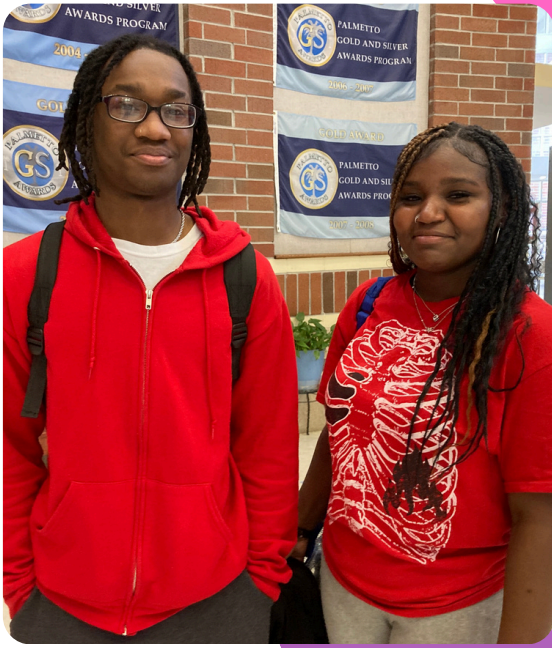
**LEADERSHIP GRAND
STRAND**
MAR 6

SAT EXAM
MAR 27

**February 28th is the last
day to guarantee a
yearbook! Place your order
at this link today!**



AAST Spring Spirit Week



Testing ROV Vehicles in Aerospace

On Tuesday, senior's in Ms. Thompson's Aerospace Engineering class visited the YMCA to test out their remotely operated vehicle (ROV) designs in the pool. These ROV's aim to simulate what it would be like to navigate outer space surfaces, like Mars, using a rover. Students put their designs in the water, tested the buoyancy, and maneuvered the device using a camera, showing what it would be like to control a vehicle without physically being there.

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.gov>)

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

For More Information:

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For a list of additional dates and locations, visit:

www.sccango.org



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SC CAN GO

AAST Hosts Successful Open House



It was great meeting all the potential Future Koi at Tuesdays Open House! Thank you to all who attended and to all of our teachers and student ambassadors who made the night a success!

Bus Driver Appreciation



Thank you, AAST bus driver Mike Collier and ALL base school bus drivers for all of the hard work you do in getting our students to and from AAST safely every day!

**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](#)

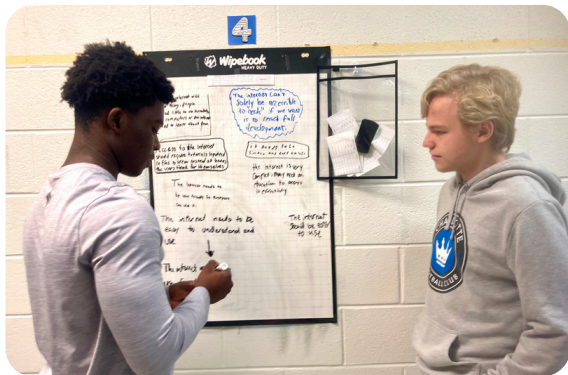
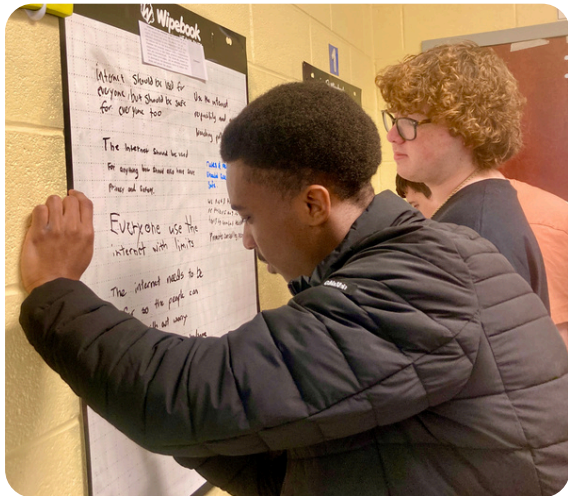
Parents of Seniors - Scholarships

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.**

**Happy
Valentine's
Day**



Students in AP Computer Science Principals were tasked with analyzing a primary source document from 1999 that included challenges for future users of the internet. They provided commentary on what their thoughts were about each of the challenges presented.

Later, in small groups they took the information learned from the primary source document and were tasked with creating networks that encouraged everyone to be able to effectively communicate online.

Sunshine Cards for Seniors from the NEHS

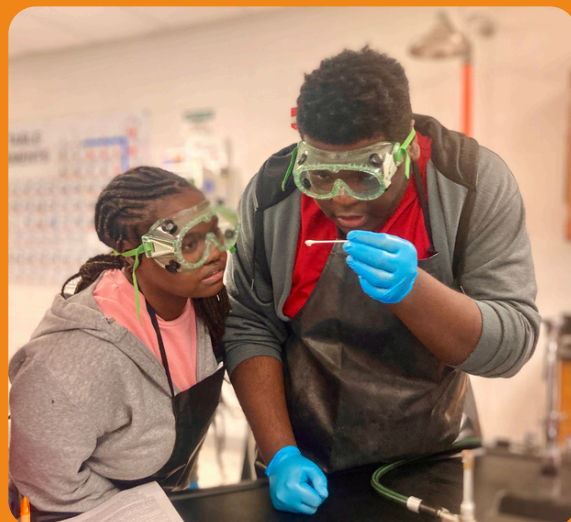


The National English Honor Society spread kindness this Valentine's Day by creating over 100 heartfelt Sunshine Cards for residents of a local nursing home. These personalized messages were crafted with care in the hopes of bringing joy to their day.

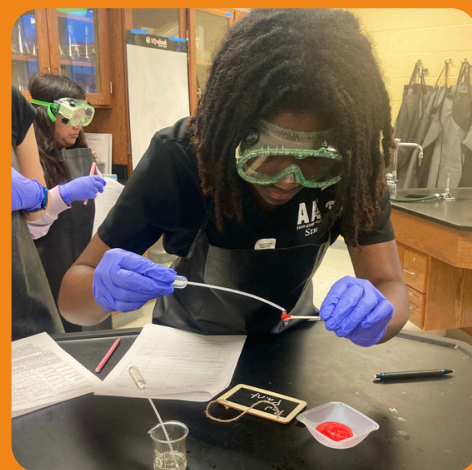
Valentine's Day Treats from the Parent Involvement Committee



Thank you to our amazing Parent Involvement Committee for the Valentine's Day treats during lunch on Friday!



Students in Ms. Ford's Forensic Science class worked as investigators, using the Kastle-Meyer test, a presumptive test that forensic scientists use in the field to determine the presence of blood in a variety of different substances. There were 2 samples from a crime scene they had to determine if it met the criteria of blood or not.



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.

Computer Science and Global Logistics Visit the Port Authority in Charleston



Computer Science and Global Logistics students visited both the SC Port Authority to learn about the daily operations of the port and careers available. CS students also visited College of Charleston to learn about the current research on drones happening within the College of Computer Science.

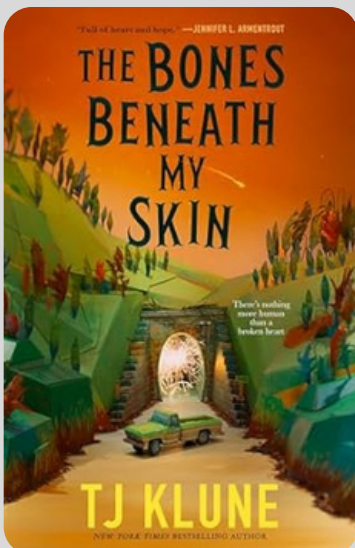


Health Science and AFC Make and Deliver Valentine Cards



Coach C's Health Science 2 and 3 classes have partnered with AFC (AAST For Christ) to pull off this year's Project Valentine. The Health Science classes create valentines with meaningful messages for our senior citizen friends living in a retirement community as a way to show them love and care. "We want to fill their buckets!" claim many of the Health Science 2 students.

Project Valentine originated after the pandemic when visitors were rarely allowed to visit their loved ones in retirement communities. This is when we decided to start spreading the love.



New @ the AAST Library: *The Bones Beneath My Skin* by TJ Klune

In the spring of 1995, Nate Cartwright has lost everything: his parents are dead, his only brother wants nothing to do with him, and he's been fired from his job as a journalist in Washington, DC.

With nothing left to lose, he returns to his family's summer cabin outside the small mountain town of Roseland, Oregon, to try and find some sense of direction. The cabin should be empty. It's not.

Inside is a man named Alex. And with him is an extraordinary ten-year-old girl who calls herself Artemis Darth Vader. Artemis, who isn't exactly as she appears.

Soon it becomes clear that Nate must make a choice: let himself drown in the memories of his past, or fight for a future he never thought possible. Because the girl is special. And forces are descending upon them who want nothing more than to control her.