# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ASHLAND

INSPIRE AND ENGAGE EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY.

# Ashland High School Newsletter

Featuring monthly news, happenings, and events!

# 2025

# IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October 6<sup>th</sup>: Picture Retake Day
October 13th: Inservice (No Students)
October 12<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>: Homecoming Week
October 28<sup>th</sup>: AHS Fall Conferences

October 31<sup>st</sup>: Last Day of 1st Quarter







Dear Families,

Last spring, I shared a story with you about the risks of online exploitation. Unfortunately, over the summer and throughout every school year, we continue to hear about sextortion incidents involving students. It happens when someone using a fake or hacked account builds trust with a child, then manipulates or blackmails them with sexually explicit content—sometimes even using AI-generated images—and may threaten to expose them or demand money. Tragically, these situations can escalate rapidly and even lead to absolute despair or suicide.

Please take a moment to read the <u>article</u> below, then have an open, compassionate conversation with your child about what sextortion is, how predators operate, and common warning signs—like a stranger turning a chat too sexual too fast, insisting on private messaging, or using odd phrasing or grammar.

USA Today

Your support and awareness could truly make a difference.

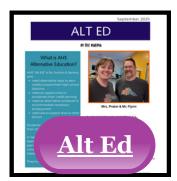
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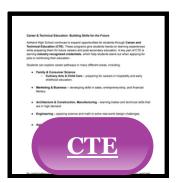
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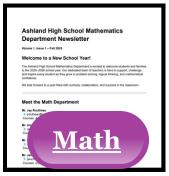
AHS teachers will be creating monthly newsletters to help keep parents/guardians informed about and engaged with their student's education. They can be found linked below by department. Enjoy!























Who do I contact when my student will be absent, late to school, or needs to be excused from school early?

Parents/guardians should choose an option:

Email Lisa: <u>lsturgal@sdak12.net</u>

Call Lisa: 715-682-7827 ext. 1004 or 715-682-7089 and

choose the attendance option (option 1)Send a written note to school with your student

We have implemented a new Positive Attendance system this school year, which ultimately makes students responsible for their own attendance.

The classroom attendance procedure most people are accustomed to is not only time-consuming for both teacher and student, it is also dependent on prepopulated student rosters. If students are not marked absent, they are assumed to be present.

**Positive Attendance** flips this approach entirely. A student is absent until he or she checks in to a particular location by signing into a kiosk., With that said, if a student forgets to sign in, s/he will be marked absent.

We've been flexible to date with this new system to allow time for students to get acclimated. Moving forward, should parents/guardians receive calls and/or emails due to student absences regarding missed sign ins, we ask that the student communicate with the teacher directly about resolution.



🎉 Congratulations to **Violet Damstra**! 🎉 Violet has been named our Youth Apprenticeship Student of the Quarter in the Marketing - Professional Sales Career Pathway! She is being recognized for her hard work, leadership, and dedication to learning-showing outstanding commitment to both her education and her apprenticeship role. A big thank-you to Solstice Outdoors for providing Violet with this valuable career learning opportunity. Partnerships like these help students build real-world skills and prepare for bright futures. Way to go, Violet! \*



Communication will be sent by email the week of October 20<sup>th</sup> with information on how to schedule conferences with teachers!

# Educator Spotlight

RVA (Rural Virtual Academy) selected to Alyssa Prater to be featured in their upcoming "Educator Spotlight" for the October edition of the Educator Enrichment Express newsletter. Alyssa works very closely with our students in RVA and has done a nice job of streamlining our process at AHS with RVA.

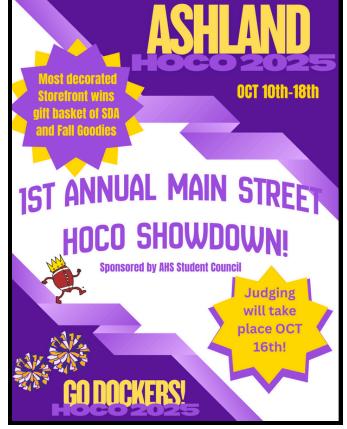
Alyssa is flexible, team-oriented, and truly loves being around children. She leads with both professionalism and compassion, setting a high standard for her colleagues while building positive, lasting relationships with students. Her leadership, passion, and commitment to student success make her a remarkable educator and a deserving recipient of this recognition.







Contact mbutala@sdak12.net ckrengel@sdak12.net with questions or for more information about Homecoming!





### **Hello Students and Families!**

Welcome back to school! My name is Megan Bulovsky, and I am the Alternative to Suspension Coordinator for the Harbor Program. I'm looking forward to working with your students this year!

### **About The Harbor**

- When a student receives a suspension, it may be recommended they attend the Harbor.
- Program goals include reducing suspensions and keeping students in school.
- The Harbor emphasizes restorative practices, allowing students opportunities to reflect on their behaviors and make amends.
- Students will participate in small groups, including topics such as social and emotional learning, prevention education, conflict resolution, emotional regulation and more.
- Students will also have time dedicated to completing school work.

### Contact Me

715-682-7089 ext. 1384 mbulovsky@sdak12.net







Picture Day, simplified.

## Ordering photos is easy!

ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL YOUR EVENT CODE IS: FE90125



CHECK YOUR EMAIL

 When your student's pictures are ready, JostensPIX will send you a link to order.



LOG IN OR CREATE AN ACCOUNT

- If you register your account using the email address your school has on file, your student's photos will display in the gallery.
- If you use another email address, click FIND YOUR STUDENT? and enter your event code and information to link their photos with this account.



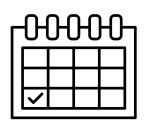
- PERSONALIZE & ORDER: Select your photo, choose a background and customize with text.
- CONTINUE: Select your package and any additional products.
- · ADD TO CART: Confirm your cropping.
- CHECK OUT: Your photos will be delivered directly to your home.



SCAN TO SHOP OR GO TO JOSTENSPIX.COM/SHOP Questions? See website for FAQs or call 1(877) 515-1447.

# **SDA Events/Co-Curriculars!**

Interested in following SDA events? You can view schedules and even sign up to get notifications of upcoming events





# SDA Athletic Event Pass Request

Please complete this **form** if you are interested in purchasing an athletic pass for home athletic events (high school and middle school) for this school year! Passes will need to be paid for at the Ashland High School office or at the time of first use at any home events at the ticket taking table. We accept cash or checks made payable to: School District of Ashland.

New for the 2025-2026 school year, we will not be providing physical cards. A master list will be provided at the ticket taking table at every event/game. Pass holders will only need to provide their names in order to be admitted.

Athletic passes are good for any home athletic event for both high school and middle school sports. The only exceptions are playoff/tournament games or home hockey games (BACC is not an SDA venue).

If you are requesting more than one pass, please complete a separate form for each pass. For example, you are purchasing a family pass for yourself/family and a senior pass for another family member - please complete one form for the family pass and a second form for the senior pass.

Questions regarding athletic passes can be directed to the Athletics & Activities Department Administrative Assistant, Gina Nagro: gnagro@sdak12.net or 715-682-



# **Attention Seniors! Please upload your** senior pictures for the yearbook by October 31<sup>st</sup>! Thank you!



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AHS Senior Photos are due October 31st, 2025.



Toupload your photos scan the QR code or visit https://forms.gle/YLAxHFCUDsnJDcsb7



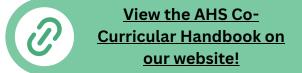
<u>Parents and Guardians</u> - We have a <u>page</u> on our newly updated website just for you! You can find calendars, links to Skyward Family Access, handbooks, how-to videos, and more!

# Visit:

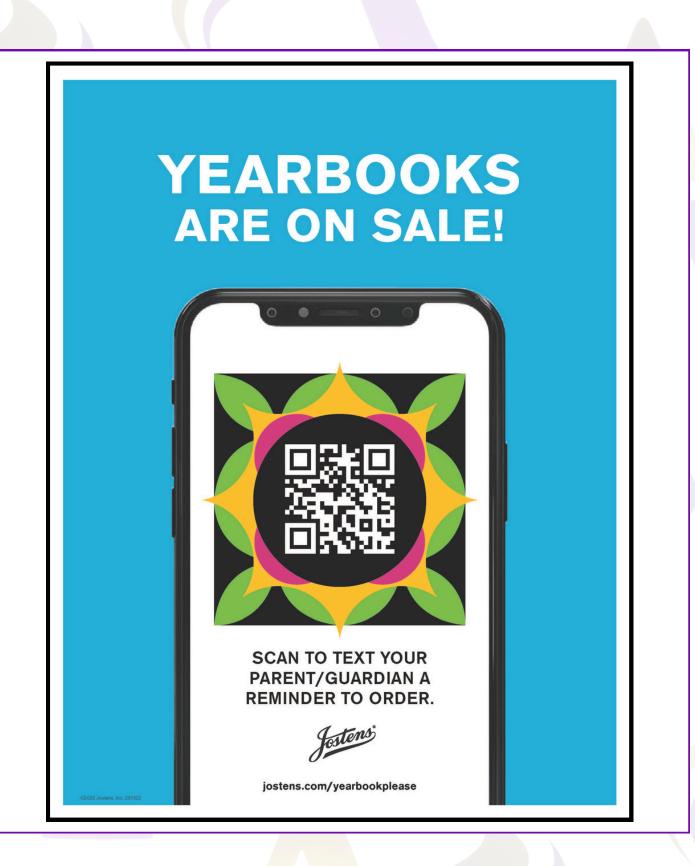
https://www.ashland.k12.wi.us/our -schools/parents-guardians

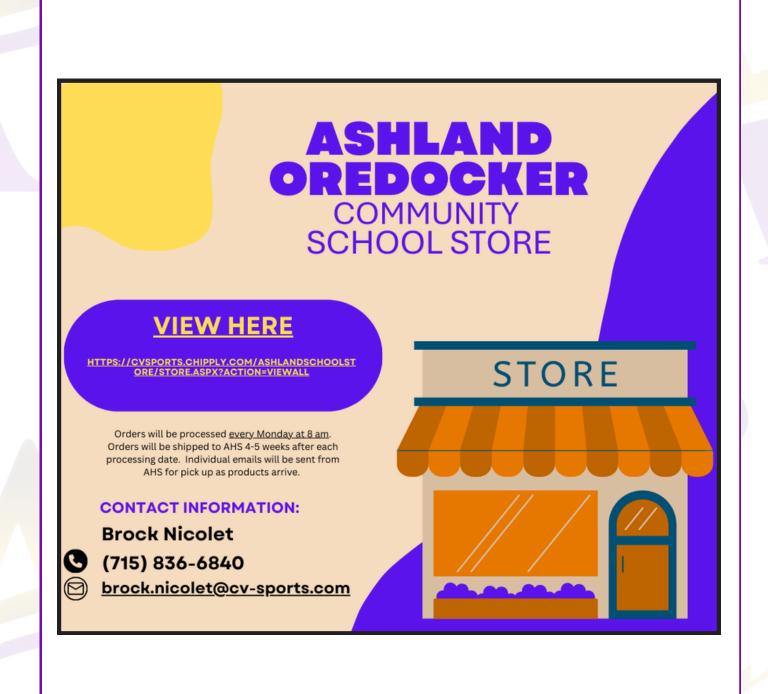




















AHS Choir is currently participating in their annual Snap-Raise online fundraiser. If you can donate, great! If not, please help by sharing the QR code flyer on your social media! Thank you!

# Follow us on social media @SDAshland!



View AHS events on Hudl Fan!

