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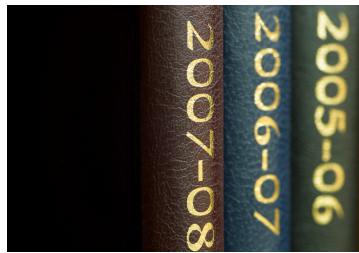


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## Yearbook On Sale

Online ordering for 2026 Yearbooks is **NOW OPEN**.

Click [HERE](#) for details and instructions on how to order your yearbook online.

You can also bring \$50 cash to Mrs. Strom in Room 1307.

## FREE OR REDUCED CARRY-OVER STATUS ENDS OCTOBER 15, 2025

AASD families approved automatically or through an application for Free or Reduced Meals for the 2024-25 school year, we want to remind you that carry-over status, which allows families time at the start of the school year to submit a new annual application, will expire on Wednesday, October 15, 2025.

All families without a current and completed Free or Reduced application will revert to full pay for meals on Thursday, October 16, 2025. Please submit your completed Free or Reduced application to determine eligibility for meals for the remainder of this school year.

If you think your family may qualify for Free or Reduced meals, or you aren't sure, we encourage you to annually complete the Free and Reduced meal application online through the [Parent Portal](#). When logging into the Portal, the Free and Reduced Meal Benefits Application is available on the center panel under "Meal Benefits." Only one application is needed per household.

Please note that families with students who attend a [CEP School \(Community Eligibility Program\)](#) will continue to receive meals at no cost. Families are still encouraged to submit free or reduced meal applications each year. While CEP meals do not require an application, other waivers and benefits do.

Please remember to add money to your meal account if you have not applied for the current year. If you have questions, please email the Food Service staff at [foodservice@asd.k12.wi.us](mailto:foodservice@asd.k12.wi.us) or by phone at (920) 852-5314



## FALL PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Nov 6 - In Person / Nov 13 - Virtual

### HELP SERVE OUR TEACHERS

### Accepting DONATIONS

Want to give back and show your appreciation for our teachers? Our teachers work so hard for our kids, and conference nights are long during Parent Teacher Conferences. Over the years, we have served up a variety of meals from catering in local favorites to providing meals potluck style. If you would like to donate monies to help offset these expenses, please fill out this [Google FORM](#). Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

# REALITY CHECK

## Financial Simulation

We are excited to share that Reality Check is back! Reality Check Simulations have been sponsored by Community First Credit Union since 2004 and touch over 600 students each semester.

**We are asking for volunteers to help make this event successful.**

- Reality check provides an opportunity for students to connect with community business representatives in an authentic situation.
- It is an interactive, hands-on financial simulation that helps make a connection between the Personal Financial Management/Intro to Economics classroom learning and real-life experiences.
- It's designed to demonstrate the importance of sound money management skills. Students choose careers and research salaries, breaking them down into a monthly income. Students then travel through 16 stations on a journey that simulates real-life financial situations for 1 month.
- Students needed to be able to budget their money while writing checks, using debit cards, balancing their checkbook, keeping track of finances, learning how to use credit wisely, and understanding how easy it is to get into debt and the horrors of bankruptcy.
- This simulation helps students learn to be wise consumers while living within their means.

### North - November 4

**8:00 AM - 12:15 PM: North Gym**

If you would like to volunteer, please click on link:

**[Community First Credit Union: Reality Check Fall 2025](#)**



## Valley Transit & WisGO App

**Scan or Tap to Ride**

Beginning this school year, Valley Transit is transitioning to a new fare collection system. While AASD middle and high school students will continue to ride Valley Transit buses for free, student ID cards will no longer be accepted as fare. To ride for free, students must now use either the WisGO card or the WisGO mobile app. Students will choose one method only—either the card or the app—not both. Each student who plans to ride Valley Transit will need their own unique WisGO card or app code. These are not transferable. To get started, students must visit their school's main office at the beginning of each school year to receive either:

- A physical WisGO card, or
- A one-time activation code to set up the WisGO app on their smartphone.

If a physical card is lost, the student must return to the school office to report it and receive a replacement. If your student selects the app option, please download the WisGO app on their smartphone before visiting the school office, as this will help streamline the setup process. Instructions for downloading and setting up the app are included with this message. Please note: We kindly ask that only students who plan to use Valley Transit regularly for school or work visit the school office to receive a WisGO card or app code.

### **Grace Period for Start of School Year**

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be a grace period during the first several weeks of school. During this time, students will still be allowed to ride Valley Transit without a card or app, giving everyone a chance to get signed up and ready.

### **Valley Transit Support at Back-to-School Events**

Valley Transit staff will be available at select back-to-school events across AASD to:

- Assist with downloading the WisGO app
- Answer questions about the new fare system
- Share general transit information with families

We encourage families to take advantage of this opportunity for extra support and information.

## Key Dates (Oct-Nov 2025)

Oct 1	Homecoming Parade
Oct 3	Homecoming Game
Oct 4	Homecoming Dance
Oct 14	Senior Cap & Gown Presentation
Oct 16	Picture Retake - 7:00-11:30 am
Oct 21	North Choir Concert
Oct 23	North String Concert
Oct 27	North Choir Retreat
Oct 30	Senior Cap & Gown In Person Ordering
Oct 31	NO SCHOOL / PSAT Test
Oct 31-Nov 1	Haunted House
Nov 6	Fall Conferences (In-Person) - 4:00-7:30 pm
Nov 13	Fall Conferences (Virtual) - 4:00-7:30 pm
Nov 26-28	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break





# COUNSELING

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Common App
- Transcripts
- Financial Aid
- The College Tour
- Get involved with Sources of Strength

### Common App

If a student is ONLY applying to schools within the UW SYSTEM, it is HIGHLY recommended that students use the UW Application and not the Common App. The UW Application allows the student to self-submit their Transcript and schedule - this makes the process speedier.

If you are requesting a letter of recommendation from a teacher, please give a 2 weeks notice before the due date.

### Transcripts

Common App: Counselors submit initial transcript, student requests final transcript through Parchment (May)

UW Application: Student submits initial transcript from Infinite Campus and final transcript from Parchment.

## STAFF

Mrs. Leslie Walker- Admin Asst  
 Mrs. Jenette Syring - Registrar  
 Mrs. Lori Krueger - A to E  
 Mrs. BJ Wolfer - F to K  
 Mr. Jarrett Bednar - L to Q

Mrs. Andy Waldvogel - R, T to Z  
 Mrs. Shayla Kimball - S  
 Mrs. Nancy Van Der Loop-School Psychologist  
 Mrs. Angela Greco-School Psychologist  
 Mrs. Larissa Brown-Social Worker



### Financial Aid

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is your ticket to grants, scholarships, work-study jobs, and low-interest loans for college or technical school. It's free to fill out, and the earlier you do it, the better your chances of getting the most aid.

The FAFSA opens on October 1<sup>st</sup>.



### The College Tour

This is a TV Series that focuses on different colleges and universities around the world. The goal is to give the audience an inside look at what its like to truly be a student there. Check it out if you are curious about different universities! Featured WI schools are Carroll, Concordia, UW River Falls, and UW Stevens Point. Available on Amazon Prime.

### Looking to get involved?

Consider joining Sources of Strength!

Join a student-led team focused on spreading hope, help, and strength at North.

Scan the QR code to fill out the Google form to express interest. Everyone is welcome to apply.



**Come as you are.  
 We are here for you.**

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 LIFELINE**

**24/7 CALL, TEXT, CHAT**

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

# Advanced Placement Students & Parents



**APPLETON NORTH HIGH SCHOOL**  
Home of the Lightning

5000 North Ballard Road, Appleton WI 54913 Phone (920) 852-5405 Fax (920) 852-5406

Friday, September 25, 2025

Dear Advanced Placement Students and Parents:

This letter is intended to provide information and details to those students and families who are interested in participating in AP exam(s) testing in May 2026. We strongly encourage all students enrolled in an AP course to take the corresponding exam, though it is not required. Please see ["3 Reasons to Take AP Exams"](#) if you'd like more information regarding the benefits of the exams.

**AP Exam Fall Registration and Sign-Up Process:**

**STEP 1 - AP Exam Registration**

All AP students register with the College Board to be eligible to take their AP Exam(s) and have access to AP Resources. This step should already be complete (usually done in class).

**STEP 2 - AP Exam Sign-Up (Google Form)**

Complete this [Google Form](#), indicating which AP exams you intend to take. Students requesting testing accommodations must also indicate this on the form.

**STEP 3 - AP Exam Payment - Due by October 17th**

- All AP Exams are \$100 per exam
- Within three business days of completing the Google Form (Step 2), the fees for your AP Test will be added to your **Infinite Campus Portal** for payment.
- Students who qualify for free/reduced lunch will have their AP Exam fee paid by AASD
  - You must have filled out the Free and Reduced application as well as the "Sharing Information" document found on this [linked website](#) or accessible through your Infinite Campus parent portal.
  - After October 17th, students who receive fee waivers are required to take the test(s) they signed up for, or they may be required to pay for them.
  - Students can only receive fee waivers for those AP Exams of AP classes they are taking within AASD
- Exam Refund Requests Submitted after 10/17 will incur a \$40 cancellation fee until 03/15/26; after this date, no refunds can be made. Exam Refund Requests can be made to richingjame@aasd.k12.wi.us.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Desens, Associate Principal, at 920-852-5405 or desensstephan@aasd.k12.wi.us.

Thank you,

*Stephanie Desens*

Stephanie Desens  
Associate Principal, Appleton North High School



## AP Exams Testing – May 2026

- Registration – Fill out [Google Form](#)
- Payment Due – **October 17**

# school nurse NEWSLETTER

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HEALTH SERVICES \* P.O. Box 2019, Appleton, WI 54911 \* 920-852-5344

### Is Your Child Well Enough to Go to School?

It is not always easy to decide if your child is sick enough to stay home or well enough to be in school. Children who come to school are expected, with few exceptions, to participate fully in school activities.

Here are some guidelines that might help in a parent's decision-making.

- Fever:** A fever of 100.4 degrees or more signals an illness that is probably going to make a student uncomfortable and unable to function well in class. Your child should stay home until his or her temperature is less than 100.4 degrees (without the use of fever reducing medication) for 24 hours and he/she is feeling better.
- Vomiting, Diarrhea or Severe Nausea:** These are symptoms that suggest a student to remain at home until a normal diet is tolerated for 24 hours.
- Infectious Diseases:** Diseases such as impetigo, pink eye with thick drainage, and strep throat require a health care provider's visits and possibly a prescription for medication. Contacting the health care provider and using the medicine as directed for the full recommended length of time are necessary. A student may return to school 24 hours (or as advised by a healthcare provider) after the first dose of an antibiotic and if he/she is feeling well.
- Rashes:** Rashes or patches of broken, itchy skin need to be examined by a health care provider if they appear to be spreading, draining or not improving.
- Injuries:** If a student has an injury that causes continuous discomfort, the student should not attend school until the condition is checked by a healthcare provider or it improves. Injuries that interfere with class participation need a medical evaluation. If participation in physical education classes is not recommended, a health care provider's excuse is required.

If your child becomes ill in school, we will need to be able to reach you. Please make sure to notify the office of any work or phone number changes as they occur. Please make sure to notify the office of any work or phone number changes as they occur. If you have further questions, please contact your school nurse through the school office.

Here are some things you can do to help:

- Frequent handwashing
- Coughing or sneezing into a tissue or sleeve
- Drink plenty of water
- Eat a well balanced diet
- Get adequate sleep



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### ¿Está su hijo lo suficientemente bien para ir a la escuela?

No siempre es fácil decidir si su hijo está lo suficientemente enfermo como para quedarse en casa o lo suficientemente bien como para asistir a la escuela. Se espera que los niños que vienen a la escuela, con pocas excepciones, participen plenamente en las actividades escolares.

Aquí hay algunas pautas que pueden ayudar en la toma de decisiones de los padres.

- Fiebre:** Una fiebre de 100.4 grados o más indica una enfermedad que probablemente hará que el estudiante se sienta incómodo y no pueda desempeñarse bien en clase. Su hijo debe quedarse en casa hasta que su temperatura sea inferior a 100.4 grados (sin el uso de medicamentos para bajar la fiebre) durante 24 horas y se sienta mejor.
- Vómitos, diarrea o náuseas intensas:** Estos son síntomas que indican que el estudiante debe permanecer en casa hasta que pueda tolerar una dieta normal durante 24 horas.
- Enfermedades infecciosas:** Enfermedades como impetigo, conjuntivitis con secreción espesa y faringitis estreptocócica requieren una visita a un proveedor de atención médica y posiblemente una receta para medicamentos. Es necesario contactar al proveedor de atención médica y usar el medicamento según las indicaciones durante todo el tiempo recomendado. El estudiante puede regresar a la escuela 24 horas después (o según lo indique el proveedor de atención médica) de la primera dosis de un antibiótico y si se siente bien.
- Sarpullidos:** Los sarpullidos o áreas de piel roja y con picazón deben ser examinados por un proveedor de atención médica si parecen estar extendiéndose, supurando o no mejoran.
- Lesiones:** Si un estudiante tiene una lesión que le causa molestias continuas, no debe asistir a la escuela hasta que la condición sea revisada por un proveedor de atención médica o mejor. Las lesiones que interfieren con la participación en clase necesitan una evaluación médica. Si no se recomienda la participación en las clases de educación física, se requiere una excusa del proveedor de atención médica.

Si su hijo se enferma en la escuela, necesitaremos poder comunicarnos con usted. Por favor, asegúrese de notificar a la oficina sobre cualquier cambio en su trabajo o número de teléfono a medida que ocurren.

Si tiene más preguntas, comuníquese con la enfermera de la escuela a través de la oficina escolar.

Algunas cosas que usted puede hacer para ayudar:

- Lavarse las manos con frecuencia
- Toser o estornudar en un pañuelo desechable o en la manga
- Beber abundante agua
- Comer una dieta balanceada
- Dormir lo suficiente



TEJ KEV PAU UA KOM NTSIB KEV NOJ QAB NYOB ZOO \* P.O. Box 2019, Appleton, WI 54911 \* 920-852-5344

### Yog tus meenyam puas noj qab nyob zoo txaus tsim nyog cia mus kawm ntawv?

Nxav yeej tsis yooj yim thxau zaus rau kev txiv txim siab saib koj tus meenyam puas muaj mob txaus cia nyob hauv tsev los yog noj qab nyob zoo txaus tsim nyog cia mus kawm ntawv. Cov meenyam tua mus kawm ntawv yeej sav kom loom tau nruag ua thxau yam muab rau ua hauv tsev kawm ntawv tsuas yog qee yam thxau hais tias us tsis tau xwb.

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- Ua npaws ua daus no:** Ua npaws lub cev kub bog 100.4 degrees [los yog siab](#) thia dhia tau hais tias muaj mob us tej zaum yuav ua rautus meenyam kawm ntawv tsis tau zoo nyob thiab ua tsis tau tej yam zoo nyob rau hauv chaw kawm. Koj tus meenyam yuav tsum cia nyob hauv tsev kom bog thxau mus nws qhov kub cev. Kub tau hauv ntawd qis dua 100.4 degrees (los ntawm qhov uas tsis tias yuav tau noj tshaj ua kom tus daus no qhov kub ib ce ntawd thob kub) kom koom. 24 xaub moob thiab nws zoo lawm.
- Ntawv, zawv plab los yog aev siab heev:** Tej kev mob noj qhov tau hais tias xav kom cia tus meenyam kawm ntawv nyob txiv yam hauv tsev kom bog thxau nws noj zaub noj moov tsis ua li cas to kom bog 24 xaub moob.
- Tej kab mob kev mob rau cev nqajj daim tawv:** Cov kab mob hu ua impetigo xws li ua pob khaus saw hwev rau lub ntsej muag los yog rau lb ce, mob qhov muag liab muaj kua muag tauv los, thiab mob qa yuav tau mus ntsib kws khib kom thiab tej zaum kuj yuav tau noj tshaj pab rau thiab. Hu mus rau lub chaw kuj mob thiab siv cov tshajj raws li kws khib kom siv kom twm rikaus raws li kab si havm kws khib kom siv yog qhov tsheem ceeb. Tus meenyam kawm ntawv muaj pxev wim tuj mus kawm ntawv 24 xaub moob tab qab (los yog raws li tus kws khib kom tau hais) tom qab thxaw qhov tshajj muab rau noj los yog rau siv thiab yog hais tias nws zoo lawm.
- Ua pob liab sawv pob:** Us pob liab liab los tej thaj tawv pheb, daim tawv nqajj khaus khaus yuav tsum tau mus ntsib kws khib kom bog thxau hais tias tej ntawd pheeju nruag loj zu, lus kua ntsaw twm los yog pheeju tsis zoo li.
- Tej kev raug mob:** Yog hais tias tus meenyam kawm ntawv raug mob ua rau nws pheeju muaj qhov qhov meem toom ua ntu zis, tus meenyam kawm ntawv yuav tsum tsis thob mob twb kuj tag lawm los yog hais tias nws zoo lawm. Tej kev raug mob uas muaj qhov los cuam thxaw bog kev koom tes ua tej yam nyob rau hauv chaw kawm yuav tsum tau mus kuj mob. Yog hais tias qhov kev koom kawm ua ntu uas siv dag zog lus kom lub cev muaj zog tsis xub kom cia rau ua, ces yuav tsum tau lb daim ntawv thov zam rau los ntawm tus kws khib kom.

# AI & GRADING SCALE Changes Coming Soon...

Details about AI policies and changes to the grading scale will be shared soon. Stay tuned as the Appleton Area School District announces the updates our school will implement.



## START COLLEGE NOW/EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT / REQUEST FOR HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT PROGRAM DEADLINES

AASD offers three programs for eligible high school students wanting to enroll in courses through two- or four-year participating colleges or universities in Wisconsin.

The deadline to enroll in a spring semester course is October 1 of each academic school year. The deadline to enroll in a fall semester course is March 1 of each academic school year. If you have any questions, please reach out to your School Counselor. The requirements are included below:

Start College Now: Available to 11th- and 12th-grade students enrolled in Wisconsin Technical Colleges, this program requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the time of eligibility determination. Summer courses are not eligible, and students may not participate in both the Start College Now Program and the Early College Credit Program at the same time.

Early College Credit Program: Available to students in grades 9-12, this program allows enrollment in University of Wisconsin System institutions, tribally controlled colleges, and private nonprofit colleges (excluding Wisconsin Technical Colleges) and requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the time of eligibility determination. Summer courses are eligible, but students may not participate in both the Start College Now Program and the Early College Credit Program at the same time.

Request for High School Credit: Learning takes place outside the school day, on the student's own time and at their own expense. AASD will review the opportunity and decide if high school credit will be awarded, and in what amount.

## STUDENTS PARKING INFORMATION

All students wishing to drive a vehicle to school and park in the school parking lot will need a parking permit. These permits are \$5.00, which covers the cost of the permit. One parking permit per family will be issued so if you have multiple vehicles you will need to transfer your permit between them. All cars and their plates must be registered on your application form. Application forms will be available in the Main Office. Students must bring their driver's license and vehicle license plate number to fully fill out the form [HERE](#).

Students without parking permits can park on Ashbury Drive where street parking spaces are available. Please pay attention to signs and comply with city restrictions. Student parking spaces are limited and will be reflected in the amount of parking permits we are able to grant.

Having a parking permit is a privilege. Students who are suspended in or out of school may have their permit removed. If a student receives a detention, they must serve their detention in a timely manner as agreed upon by Administration or they may also have their permit removed. Excessive tardiness may result in having this permit removed. It may also be revoked by the School Resource Officer or Administration as deemed appropriate.

Students and staff may only park in designated parking stalls. Illegally parked vehicles will be ticketed. Please remember that a permit does not always guarantee you a spot to park. Unfortunately, there will be times where snow piles, service vehicles and unforeseen circumstances will overtake some of the school parking spots. If you cannot find a space to park, please park on the streets near the school.

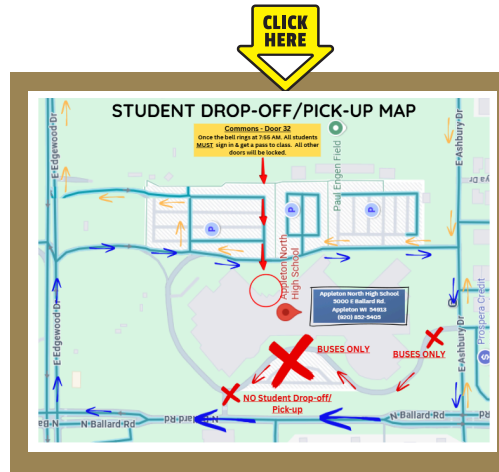
# school drop-off/pick-up PROCEDURE

Parents, please remember that the drop off zone for your students (AM and PM) is in the **back of the school parking lot**, not the front. The entrance is either on Ashbury or Edgewood Dr (JJ). However, exiting the parking lot is only from a specific exit found near the baseball field. This exits onto JJ. Please see the **MAP** on the right for details.

 **FRONT STAFF PARKING LOT**  
**ABSOLUTELY NO PARKING/DROP OFF/PICK-UP**

 **NO PARKING/DROP OFF/PICK-UP**  
**7:30 AM TO 8:30 AM / 2:30 PM TO 4:30 PM**

The front of the school is reserved for all cabs, Valley Transit and Lamers buses that drop off and pick up our students. Additionally, we have designated buses that provide transportation for students with special needs and the drop off is in designated areas closest to their classroom. This is most preferable and safe. We appreciate your help in providing a clear lane to transport students without traffic congestion. Our Bus Lanes have markings, so please comply as marked.



- All senior photos must be turned in by the October 31st due date so that there is time to deal with any issues before the actual pages are due to our publisher. NO EXCEPTIONS! Plan ahead!
- Photos should be submitted to Ms. Michelle Strom via email at: [nhsyearbook@asds.k12.wi.us](mailto:nhsyearbook@asds.k12.wi.us)
- Digital copies are required -- the best way to do this is to have your photographer send in your selected photo. If you only have access to a print copy, you must scan it and email it.
- We reserve the rights to reject photos that do not meet the requirements listed below:
  - Photos must be at least a standard wallet size (especially when you are scanning them) and full resolution.
  - The picture must be a standard portrait, head and shoulders ONLY; no hands, raised arms.
  - We do NOT edit or crop photos. Photos should be submitted meeting the requirements.
  - Vertical pose / portrait oriented (we have found that landscape orientated photos often don't work since our photo boxes are portrait)
  - Photos must be in full color, no black and white, sepia, or loud filters.
  - Neutral backgrounds; outdoor shots are acceptable as long as the background is not distracting or bold. Look for greenery, pines, buildings with brick walls, stone walls, columns.
  - Attire must be appropriate - no hats, shirts with alcohol or drug references, etc. If wearing a strapless or thin strapped top - please make sure that enough of the top shows in the frame, keeping in mind that part of the top / bottom of the photo may be cut off.
  - No props allowed: friends, pets, outside poses with cars / weapons / etc, or backgrounds that are distasteful or loudly colored, etc.

**DUE: OCTOBER 31**

## SENIOR PORTRAIT INFORMATION

It's time to get your senior photo taken! If you are using a photographer, please print this and bring it with you at the time of your appointment. Because there are so many photographers to choose from, and students often take their own photos, here are the guidelines you need to know regarding your yearbook headshot.



School ID photos may be used. If a photo is not submitted by the deadline, and a school ID photo is available, the ID photo will be used. If you have any questions any questions, please contact our Yearbook Advisor:

Michelle Strom  
[nhsyearbook@asds.k12.wi.us](mailto:nhsyearbook@asds.k12.wi.us)  
or call 920-852-5405



APPLETON NORTH  
HIGH SCHOOL

## ABSENCES & ILLNESS

### HOW TO REPORT STUDENT ABSENCES & APPOINTMENTS

#### ABSENCE PROCEDURES:

To report an absence, a parent or legal guardian:

- Must call North Student Services office line at [\(920\) 852-5405](tel:9208525405) ([press 1 for illness and absences](#)), as early as possible each day the student is absent.
- If leaving a message, please provide the student's name, grade, and reason for the absence. Please speak slowly and clearly-- **Please spell out the Last Name.** This will ensure we have the correct information.
- You have the option to reach a Spanish or Hmong interpreter.
- Messages are checked continually throughout the day.

#### EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH PRIOR PARENT REQUEST:

- A parent/guardian may request that a student be excused from school attendance prior to an absence occurring.
- The request can be made via phone contact with the school.
- The student may be excused by the parent/guardian under this provision for not more than 10 days in the school year.

PLEASE NOTE: After a student's 10th absence, documentation will be required for an excused absence.

**PARENTS!!!** If your students call or text you and said they are sick, tell them to go to the Health Room and we will handle it from there. Please don't come to school until you talk to our Nurse first.



## HEALTH ROOM & ILLNESS

If your student falls ill during school hours, it is important that they come to the nurse's office. Once they are in the Health Room, under our nurse's care, they are free to call a parent/guardian to consult with them as to what the next best step should be. When this step is skipped, it create confusion and is time consuming for the parent and Student Services staff.

We appreciate your assistance in this process.

#### DURING SCHOOL HOURS STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

## PROCEDURES

#### ONCE THE SCHOOL DAY BEGINS:

- All students arriving/departing school during the school day **MUST** stop at the Main Office to sign-in/sign-out.
- Parents can park in front of the Main Entrance to wait for students leaving for appointments or leaving due to illness until 2:30 PM.
- Parents **DO NOT** need to stop in and sign out their students in the Main Office if the office has been notified of their student leaving. The student will sign out and wait for their parents by the doors.
- If parents need to drop off items (lunches/money/clothing, etc.) for students during school day, please use the Main Office also. All items (labelled accordingly) can be placed on the shelves between the outside door and main office door.

#### APPOINTMENTS

All student appointments (such as medical, dental, court) must be called in advance to the Student Services office by a parent or legal guardian at (920) 852-5405. Press 1 for Student Services menu and follow the prompts.

**Note:** Due to the high volume of appointments, if your student is planning on leaving school within 30 minutes on the appointed day, when you call in, please follow the prompt to speak to a Student Services secretary directly.

1. Once the parental call has been made to excuse the student, he/she can notify the teacher of the appointment.
2. The student **MUST** sign-out in the Main Office upon leaving the building.
3. Upon returning to school, the student **MUST** sign back into Main Office. Parents **DO NOT** need to come in when picking up or dropping off your student after an appointment.
4. Freshman leaving school for Lunch Hour must have a parent come in the Main Office for pick up to be excused.

## TARDY PROCEDURES

School starts at 7:55 AM daily.

1. A warning bell will ring at 7:50 AM daily notifying students that they have 5 minutes to get to their class.
2. If a student arrives to school after the 7:55 AM bell rings (whether having an excused absence or is tardy), they **MUST** always sign-in with the Attendance Secretary through the Commons entrance. Once the Commons entrance door is locked, all late check-in must be done in the Main Office.
3. Once a student has been tardy for 5 times during a semester (not a quarter), they will receive a detention.

## ABSENT REQUEST

Parents/guardians can use the Absence Request found on **Infinite Campus/Parent Portal** tool to submit a request that informs the office in advance when their student is not going to be in school.

This new feature can be used as an alternative to the traditional phone calls to the school office. Read more on how to submit an Absence Request via the Campus Portal.

[Read More](#)

# MEDICATIONS @ SCHOOL



Medications should be administered at home whenever possible. Parents/guardians are urged to consult with the prescribing practitioner to determine if medications can be scheduled outside school hours. In the event that this is not possible, designated district staff will administer medication according to district policy.

All medications administered by AASD staff are only available to students during school hours (7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.). \*\*\*Per the AASD medication policy, non-FDA-approved medications cannot be administered.

## PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION

1. The current Medication Consent form, signed by parents/guardians and the prescribing practitioner must be on file at the school.
2. The prescription medication must be supplied in the original pharmacy-labeled package indicating the correct dosage and frequency of administration. This information must be the same as provided on the above-noted form. Only the amount of medication needed at school shall be contained in the package.
3. If changes in the dosage take place, an updated Administration of Medication Consent form, and an updated pharmacy-labeled package will be required.

## NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION (over-the-counter)

- The parent/guardian must complete a Medication Consent form.
- Medication must be supplied in the original manufacturer's package with the student's name affixed on the package. Other packages, such as a baggie filled with pills, will not be accepted.

## SELF-MEDICATION

Although it is permitted and sometimes necessary, students are discouraged to carry and administer their own medications. If a parent/guardian wishes their child to possess and self-administer medication, please notify the school office to discuss this and to complete the required form.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

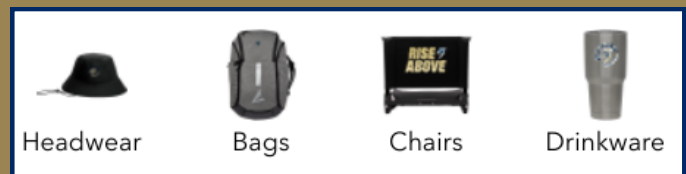
1. Your pharmacist can provide a second empty labeled container so that you will have containers for home and school. Medication will not be given if in an unmarked container (i.e., baggie, envelope).
2. All controlled substances must be delivered to the school by a parent/guardian or another adult. Parents /guardians are encouraged to deliver the package of medication to the school office to prevent tampering by the child and other students.
3. For controlled substances, school staff will verify the amount of the medication delivered by counting individual units of medication in the presence of either the adult who delivers it or another school staff.
4. Unused portions of medication after the completion of the school year or when discontinued will be disposed of after 7 days if not picked up by the parent/guardian.

Medication forms may be obtained from the school office or from the AASD website: [AASD MEDICATION FORMS](#)

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# 24/7 SCHOOL STORE



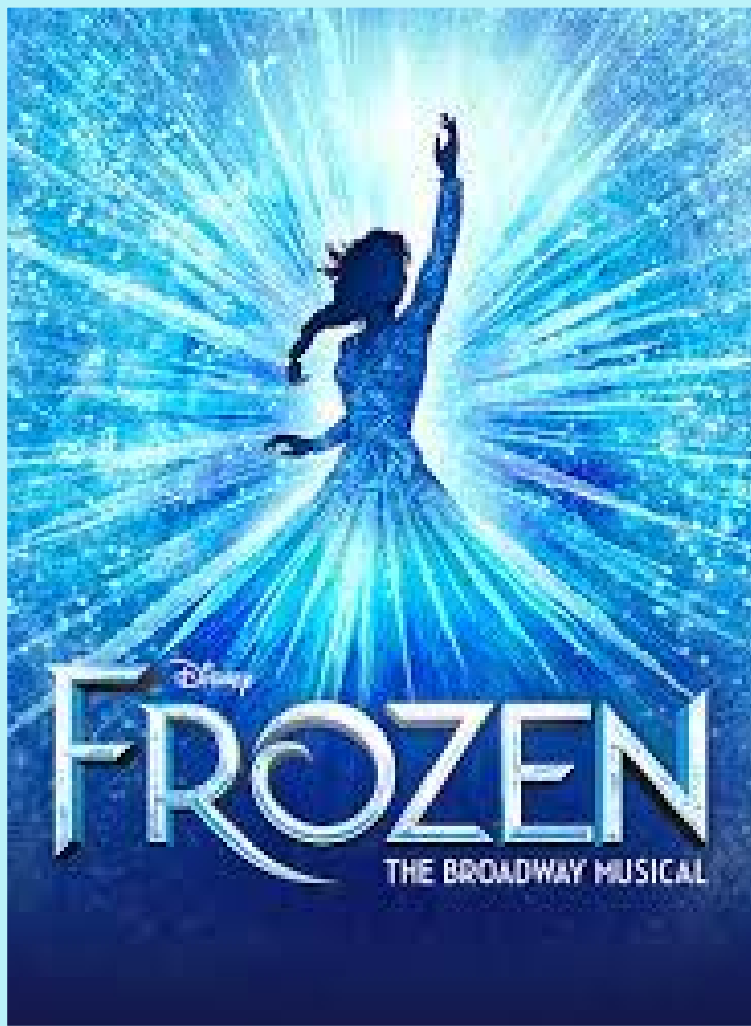
The Appleton North Lightning Online Store is now open to purchase items. New items (such as headwear, bags, chairs, decals & drinkware) along with Lightning favorites are available. New this year, we are offering options from two different stores. These are great gifts for birthdays and holidays - show your North Lightning Pride!

Three Easy Steps:

1. Go to North Website - **NORTH WEBSITE**
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card

Please note...Shipping and delivery information is noted on each of the different sites-- they may be different depending on your order.





# SPRING MUSICAL

The Appleton North High School Theatre, Music, and Fine Arts departments are thrilled to announce Disney's FROZEN as our 2026 musical! For the first time in forever, experience the musical phenomenon that has taken the world by storm! Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature film, Disney's Frozen includes all the film's beloved songs by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, along with new music written exclusively for the stage.

Performance dates are **March 12-22nd, 2026.**

Check out our website [www.appletonnorththeatre.org](http://www.appletonnorththeatre.org) and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/appletonnorththeatre/> for ongoing updates!

## APPLETON NORTH YOUTH WRESTLING CLUB

**\*\*SIGN UP NOW FOR THE 2025-26 SEASON\*\***

The Appleton North Youth Wrestling Club is accepting registrations for its upcoming wrestling season. We are committed to providing a youth wrestling program stressing wrestling fundamentals, life skills, a positive experience, and good sportsmanship on and off the mat. We look forward to introducing the sport of wrestling to our members in an exciting and fun atmosphere! The program is available to all students in K-5th grade. Practices will begin Monday, December 8th and will run until Thursday, March 12th. Wrestlers will meet twice per week (Mondays and Thursdays) with an optional practice (Friday). All practices will take place in the Appleton North Wrestling room. Practices will be divided into 2 groups:

**Little Bolts (K-2nd Grade)**

- Monday/Thursday Nights: 6:15-7:00 pm
- Friday Nights: 6:00-7:15 pm
- Practices: 12/8 (M), 12/12 (F), 12/15 (M), 12/18 (TH), 12/19 (F), 12/22 (M), 1/5 (M), 1/9 (F), 1/12 (M), 1/15 (TH), 1/16 (F), 1/19 (M), 1/22 (TH), 1/23 (F), 1/26 (M), 1/30 (F), 2/2 (M), 2/5 (TH), 2/9 (M), 2/12 (TH), 2/13 (F), 2/16 (M), 2/19 (TH), 2/20 (F), 2/23 (M), 2/26 (TH), 2/27 (F), 3/2 (M), 3/5 (TH), 3/9 (M), 3/12 (TH)
- Cost \$75 per wrestler

**Thunder Bolts (3rd-5th Grade)**

- Monday/Thursday Nights: 7:00-8:15 pm Friday Nights: 6:00-7:15 pm Practices: 12/8 (M), 12/12 (F), 12/15 (M), 12/18 (TH), 12/19 (F), 12/22 (M), 1/5 (M), 1/9 (F), 1/12 (M), 1/15 (TH), 1/16 (F), 1/19 (M), 1/22 (TH), 1/23 (F), 1/26 (M), 1/30 (F), 2/2 (M), 2/5 (TH), 2/9 (M), 2/12 (TH), 2/13 (F), 2/16 (M), 2/19 (TH), 2/20 (F), 2/23 (M), 2/26 (TH), 2/27 (F), 3/2 (M), 3/5 (TH), 3/9 (M), 3/12 (TH)
- Cost \$75 per wrestler

The registration fee is \$75.00 and includes the following:

- Quality wrestling instruction/supervision
- Safe and excellent facilities (Appleton North wrestling room)
- The club will pay for 2 youth wrestling tournament entry fees

**REGISTER NOW!!!**

You can register for the season by visiting <http://lightningwrestling.wix.com/sparks-wrestling> and click the "REGISTER NOW" link at the top of the page

OR

Go directly to the registration page using the link <https://bit.ly/41z20EX>

If you have any questions, please contact Appleton North Head Coach Scott Clough at [cloughscott@asnd.k12.wi.us](mailto:cloughscott@asnd.k12.wi.us)

## ART & VOICE TEEN ART REVEAL

Every student from Appleton North High School taking an art class in 2025 contributed to a large installation art piece that will be on permanent display in the teen area of the Appleton Public Library. Students and their families are invited to join us in the unveiling of this project!

**NOV. 12, 5 - 6:30 PM**

APPLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

For more info visit: <https://apl.org/calendar/>



# APPLETON NORTH BOOSTER CLUB



## WHAT IS THE BOOSTER CLUB?

The Appleton North Sports Booster Club exists to support and advance the athletic program and related activities of Appleton North High School, thereby increasing the skill levels of student-athletes and cultivating clean, wholesome school spirit, promoting good sportsmanship, and developing high ideals of character. The club supports projects to improve facilities and equipment to provide an adequate athletic program for the school.

## HOW DOES THE BOOSTER CLUB RAISE MONEY?

- Donations
- Fundraising Activities
  - The Annual Summer Golf Outing
  - Concession Sales

We have 10 active Board member volunteers with several opportunities for you to be involved! The opportunity for YOU to volunteer, and serve on our Board, is vital to the future of our sons and daughters' athletic experiences at Appleton North High School. We need YOU! Our athletes thank you!!!

Contact via email: [anh boosterclubpresident@gmail.com](mailto:anh boosterclubpresident@gmail.com) and through social media pages.



## President's Letter

It's hard to believe we're already a month into the school year—and Homecoming week is here! For many North families, especially those with athletes, it feels like we've been at it even longer with contact days and the early start to practices.

As you've settled (or maybe just juggled!) into your fall routines, why not take your involvement up a notch and join the Booster Club? From Concessions volunteers to Team Parent Reps, or serving on committees such as Membership, Fundraising, Digital Marketing, Social Media, Technology, or the Golf Outing—there are numerous ways to get involved, meet new people, and make a meaningful impact on our Lightning community.

Whatever your Homecoming plans look like, we hope they're fun and stress-free. And don't forget—stick around after the football game for the fireworks, proudly sponsored once again by the Booster Club. It's the perfect way to cap off a great North celebration!

Go Lightning!  
Mike Maddaloni  
Appleton North Booster Club President  
[president@appletonnorthboosterclub.com](mailto:president@appletonnorthboosterclub.com)

**Upcoming Booster Club Meetings -  
Please Join Us!**

September 10, 2025	Booster Club meetings are held on the <b>second Wednesday of the month, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm</b> , in the Appleton North Library Media Center (LMC). All members of the Appleton North community are welcome <u>and encouraged</u> to attend! <i>We hope to see you there!</i>
October 8, 2025	
November 12, 2025	
December 10, 2025	
January 14, 2025	



## New Social Media Handles

We have synchronized all of our social media handles for Facebook, X (formerly Twitter) and Instagram to:  
**anh boosterclub**

If you are already following us, the new handle is still connected, and if not - why not follow us now?!

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/anh boosterclub/>

X - <https://x.com/anh boosterclub>

Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/anh boosterclub>

Winter

2025-26 SPORTS CALENDAR		
NORTH		
FALL SPORTS	Start Date	End Date
Girls Soccer	08/28	10/15
Boys Soccer	08/28	10/15
Girls Volleyball	09/01	10/15
Boys Volleyball	09/01	10/15
Girls Basketball	09/01	10/15
Boys Basketball	09/01	10/15
Girls Flag Football	09/01	10/15
Boys Flag Football	09/01	10/15
Winter Sports	Start Date	End Date
Swim & Dive	11/17	02/15
Wrestling	11/17	02/15
Girls Basketball	11/17	02/15
Boys Basketball	11/17	02/15
Girls Hockey	11/17	02/15
Boys Hockey	11/17	02/15
Spring Sports	Start Date	End Date
Baseball	03/01	05/15
Softball	03/01	05/15
Girls Tennis	03/01	05/15
Boys Tennis	03/01	05/15
Girls Golf	03/01	05/15
Boys Golf	03/01	05/15

Click here for 2025-26 Sports Calendar

# ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The starting dates for the Winter sports are as follows:

Basketball (Girls): November 10

Hockey (Boys & Girls): November 10

Basketball (Boys): November 17

Swim & Dive (Boys): November 17

Wrestling (Boys & Girls): November 17



**IMPORTANT:**

Students planning to participate in a sport must submit a physical exam to the Main Business Office before the season begins. All other forms must be completed online through Infinite Campus, under the "Documents" section. Both parents and athletes are required to complete these forms to meet eligibility requirements.

The participation fee must be paid before an athlete can take part in practices or compete in athletic events.

If you have any questions regarding the North Athletic Program, please contact the Main Business Office, 920-852-5300.

See North's website for specific information



## ONLINE TICKETS & CARD PAYMENTS



New for 2025-26: Online Tickets & Card Payments! Appleton North & East are excited to announce that starting this fall we will be providing online ticket sales, and tickets purchased with card, to all of our ticketed games! You will be able to pre-purchase tickets or passes, or pay with cash/card at the ticket booth! You can click below to access our ticketing site and pre-purchase your tickets now!

<https://justagame.com/clients/649b53c260739cUEAC>

This season, North & East are also joining forces to offer a NorthEast Pass that will give you access to all non-WIAA Appleton North and Appleton East home games! Passes will be \$75.



### Commonly used APPLETON North Sites:

- North High School Home Page: <http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Appleton-North-High-School>
- Twitter: [@AppletonNorth](https://twitter.com/AppletonNorth)
- Sports/Activities: <http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/cocurriculars>
- Fine Arts: [http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/cocurriculars/fine\\_arts/](http://north.aasd.k12.wi.us/cocurriculars/fine_arts/)
- District Home Page: <http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/>



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