

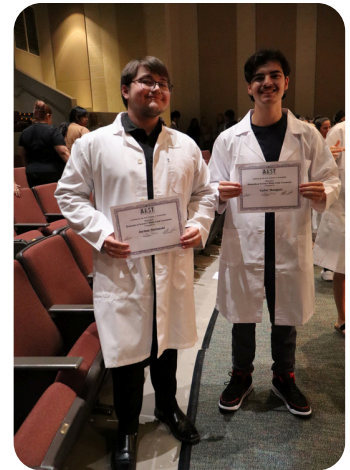
AAST NEWSLETTER

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Biomed White Coat Ceremony



August 31 - September 4, 2026



Congratulations to our senior Biomedical Science students. Twenty-seven students received their White Coats in recognition of their hard work as AAST Biomed scholars. The white coat ceremony is a rite of passage for medical students. It's a significant milestone in their journey. The ceremony marks the transition from preclinical to clinical health sciences. It's often held at the beginning of medical school before students have taken any lectures or laboratory classes. The ceremony is a tradition to recognize students who seek a role in clinical practice. During the ceremony, a white coat is placed on each student's shoulders. We are proud of these future medical professionals' dedication to their studies.

Upcoming Events



**Schools Closed,
Labor Day, September 7**

**Blood Drive
September 11**

**NHS Induction, 6:00PM
September 22**

**College App Day
September 25**

**Ed Op Day
October 7**

**Schools Closed
October 12-13**

**Spirit Week
October 26-30**

**Fall Festival
October 29**

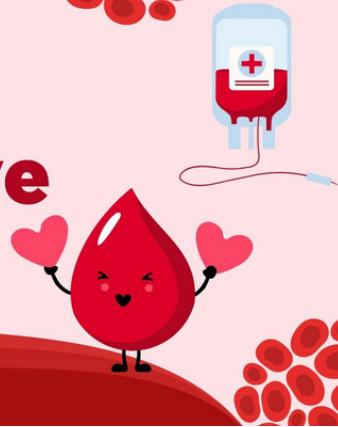


AAST College Application Day

September 25

AAST Blood Drive

September 11



Forensic Analysis in Biomedical Science

Junior Biomedical Science students kicked off their first case this week by meeting the victim, Miss Anna Garcia. Our Koi Investigators examined hair and fingerprint evidence, explored Anna's digital footprint, and analyzed data gathered through polygraph interviews to piece together what happened. Using their findings, students will develop a list of suspects to investigate further in the coming weeks as they turn their attention to the science of DNA analysis.





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THEATRE + MEDICINE + LITERACY!

Applied Theatre students recently teamed up with Medical Terminology for a creative cross-curricular project. Using a list of medical prefixes and suffixes, students invented their own “pretend conditions” by combining word parts, then created “pretend medications” to treat them. They brought their ideas to life by scripting, filming, and editing short pharmaceutical commercials—complete with a final screen decoding the medical terms for viewers. It was a creative way to put medical vocabulary, literacy, and theatre skills into action! [You can see all of their commercials here!](#)



Anthromalacia

DISCLAIMER!!!

NOT FDA APPROVED
NOT A REAL DISEASE
NOT A REAL MEDICATION

However...

“Anthro” = Human

“Malacia” = The softening of body tissues

“Anthromalacia” = The softening of human body tissues

Learning the Engineering Design Process with Solar Oven S'mores!



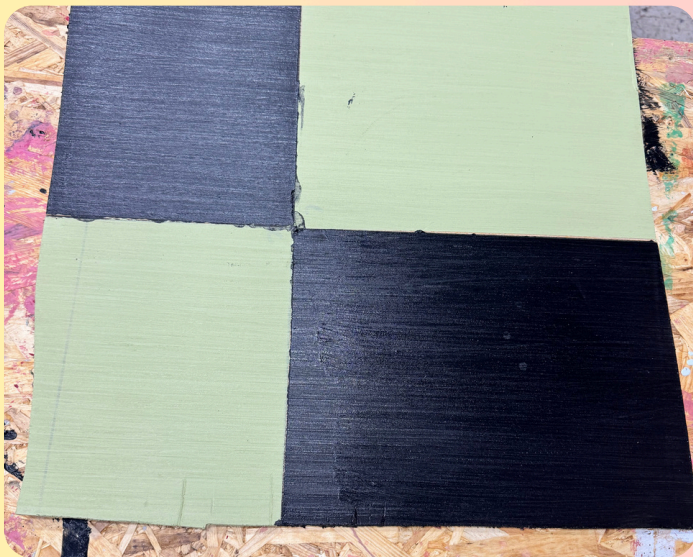
Clean Energy with Environmental Engineering students put the engineering design process to the test with a delicious challenge: designing solar ovens capable of heating s'mores!

Students explored how solar energy can be captured and converted into usable heat while designing, testing, and refining their ovens. Through hands-on experimentation, students saw how engineers use creativity, problem-solving, and testing to improve their designs—and, of course, enjoyed the tasty results!



Stories that Soar: Magic Box

This week, Technical Theater students are engaged in scenic painting with Dreamhouse Theatre, learning techniques like faux brick and painted stained-glass. In Performance Theater, students prepare for the second year of Stories That Soar with Ocean Bay Elementary, expanding to include 3rd-5th graders and performing a Magic Box assembly for Literacy Week. AAST theatre students also created an original skit for the program, showcasing their creativity and performance skills.



SAT TUTORING @ AAST



Tutoring will take place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

- Please check with the teacher you are requesting for tutoring about their availability before signing up. This helps prevent scheduling conflicts.
- All tutoring sign-ups must be completed by Monday at 8:00 AM for that week. Tutoring sessions will be held in the Media Center from 3:30-4:30 PM.
- If you cannot attend your tutoring appointment, please email the teacher or let them know in person if possible.
- Snacks will be provided.

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BELOW TO
SIGN UP FOR
TUTORING!

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1ST QUARTER BEANSTACK

Reading Challenge!

READ. LOG. SPIN. WIN!

TRACK YOUR READING IN BEANSTACK AND HIT
MILESTONE GOALS TO EARN A SPIN ON THE
LIBRARY GACHAPON MACHINE! EACH SPIN = A
SURPRISE PRIZE... WHAT WILL YOU GET?



**LOG YOUR
READING!**

PRIZES INCLUDE:
BLIND BAGS!
FREE BOOKS!
LEGO SETS!
GIFT CARDS!
SNACKS!
CASH MONEY!

