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AHS Band-O-Rama Scheduled for Tuesday

Asheboro High School's annual Band-O-Rama will be held on Tuesday, October 24th at 7:30pm and will feature the entire marching band. They will be performing their half-time show, along with crowd-pleasing music frequently heard in the stands at the Blue Comet football games. Tickets are \$5 at the door and all proceeds will benefit the Asheboro High School Band scholarship program.



Donna Lee Loflin Hosts Cultural Heritage Night

On Thursday, October 12th Donna Lee Loflin families enjoyed a fun evening of food, celebration, and books. It was Cultural Heritage Night and each family brought a dish that represented their culture. As everyone enjoyed the delicious meal, a Mariachi band entertained the standing-room only crowd. Other highlights of the evening were the Book Fair and a PTA presentation about the Reflections Art Contest.





Lindley Park Hosts World Heritage Night

Students, families, and staff from Lindley Park Elementary School had a great time celebrating World Heritage Night last Thursday!





Annual Enrollment - Important to Enroll by October 31, 2017

The State Health Plan will conduct Annual Enrollment on September 30 thru October 31, 2017. The choices you make during this period will be effective January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018. If you have questions, please contact Sandra Spivey or Sherry Hayes. The link to enroll can be found here.

Important Reminders:

- If you do not complete the Open Enrollment, you will be enrolled in the 70/30 plan at the highest premium.
- If you want to pay the lowest premium, you <u>must</u> complete the tobacco attestation regardless of the plan you choose.
- If you are a new employee, you still <u>must</u> complete this enrollment to keep the lowest premium cost or choose the 80/20 plan.
- For steps on how to complete enrollment, click on the health insurance enrollment video attachment.
- This enrollment is for health insurance only. Enrollment for dental, vision, etc. will be in the spring.
- The Consumer Directed Health Plan (CDHP) will not be offered this year, you will need to choose between the 80/20 plan or the 70/30 plan.

Important: During Open Enrollment, <u>all</u> active members and eligible dependents will automatically be enrolled into the Traditional 70/30 Plan.

Mental Health First Aid Training Nov. 3

Anyone, anywhere can be the one to make a difference in the life of someone with a mental health or substance abuse challenge as long as they know what to do and what to say. Just as you would administer first aid to someone who has a health emergency, Youth Mental Health First Aid is an eight-hour course that will help you recognize the signs and symptoms of a mental health crisis, as well as how to help. ACS will offer Mental Health First Aid Training that is designed to inform and train educators of the methods and practices for assisting students who may find themselves in a mental health crisis or in the early stages of developing a mental health problem.

Participants will receive CEU's and a certificate of completion. Spaces are limited. Nov. 3rd 8 a.m. -4 p.m. in the PDC (lunch on your own). Email Leslie Smith-Moore to reserve your spot lsmithmoore@asheboro.k12.nc.us.

AHS Blood Drive - November 9

The Asheboro High School Health Sciences Academy is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, November 9 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. in the AHS original gym. The school will partner with the Community Blood Center of the Carolinas. If anyone would like to make an appointment, they may email Asheboro High School Health Sciences Academy teacher, Rita Morton at rmorton@asheboro.k12.nc.us. Drop-in donors must report to the front office before being admitted the blood drive.

Teachers: We want your feedback!

We're excited to announce a website redesign for the district and our schools! Before we begin, we want to know what you would like to see on the new site. Please complete the short survey below! We thank you in advance!

https://docs.google.com/forms/u/1/d/e/1FAIpQLSfoq7A7Xtkukb2kDWtJ07gjFyz8QCn0NPxRDkIsoMJ3277wqQ/viewform

Fall Fundraiser for AAEOP

The AAEOP Scholarship Fundraiser this fall features items from **RADA Cutlery**. RADA catalogs and order forms are located in your school's lounge or office area. Orders will be taken through **October 31st and will arrive mid-November**. All orders and money should be sent to Angel Etheridge at the Central Office. All checks should be made payable to AAEOP.

Flu Shot Clinic

Tuesday, November 14 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Central Office Board Room & NAMS Auditorium

North Asheboro Softball Team Celebrated by NAMS Teachers

The North Asheboro Middle School softball team celebrated eighth-grade players at the final softball game of the regular season on Thursday, October 19th against South Asheboro Middle School. Eighth-grade teachers from NAMS made banners for each player and attended their last home game to support students. Thank you NAMS teachers for showing up in the classroom and beyond!



North Asheboro Students Selected for All-County Chorus

North Asheboro Middle Schools students were geared up for All-County Chorus Day under the direction of NAMS Chorus Teacher Georgia Stephens.



Balfour Receives Bright Ideas Grant

Congratulations to Ms. Emily Cappello and the team at Balfour Elementary School who received a Bright Ideas grant from Randolph Electric Membership Corporation. Monies will be used for materials in the Balfour Maker-Space!



Asheboro High School Stellar Athletes and Coaches!

Congratulations to:

- Olivia Elliott, Emma Haywood, Sophia Morgan, and Riley Hammer for qualifying for Regional competition in Girls Golf.
- Angie Pincus and Georgia Shipley for qualifying for Regional competition in Girls Tennis.
- The JV Volleyball team, who finished its season with a record of 16-5 overall, 11-1 in the MPC. (No MPC champion crowned in JV, but what a great season!)
- The Varsity Volleyball team, who finished its season with a record of 17-4, 10-2 in the MPC – Co-Conference Champions.
- Coach Jay Moore, who was named "Coach of the Year" in the MPC in Girls Tennis.
- Coach Karen Blanchard, who was named "Coach of the Year" in the MPC in Volleyball.

The Asheboro Volleyball team had a tremendous season under the leadership of Coach Karen Blanchard. They played several strong games this weekend in the first round of the NCHSAA playoff competition. The girls were defeated to rival Southeast Guilford. Each AHS Blue Comet showed sportsmanship and respect throughout the entire season. We are incredibly proud of each of these student-athletes!

CenturyLink Grant Opportunities

Funded by CenturyLink's Clarke M. Williams, the Teacher's and Technology program provides classroom grants to help fund projects that advance student success through innovative use of technology.

A few items to note about the program:

- Full-time private and public school teachers are eligible
- Only schools in CenturyLink's residential service areas may apply
- Applications will be accepted Oct. 1, 2017 Jan. 12, 2018 (midnight) via the online registration portal: http://www.centurylink.com/teachersandtechnology
- Grant winners will be announced between April 1 May 15, 2018
- Grant awards range from \$500-\$5000
- Schools do not have to be a CenturyLink customer to apply but must be located in a CenturyLink service area where CenturyLink provides residential phone service. If you are not sure if your school is in a CenturyLink residential service area; visit www.centurylink.com and click on "Check for Deals at my Home" in the upper right corner. Enter your school address to verify if CenturyLink services are provided there.

SECU to Host FAFSA Night

Planning to attend college in the 2018-2019 academic year and need assistance completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? State Employees' Credit Union (SECU) will be offering FAFSA assistance to members during normal business hours throughout the month of November. Credit Union staff at all branches statewide will be available to answer questions and help students and their parents complete and electronically file the FAFSA, a required document to be considered for all federal and most state financial aid for college, career school or graduate school.

AHS Athletics

Monday, October 23

5:00 PM Boys Junior Varsity Soccer Southwestern Randolph High Away 6:30 PM Boys Varsity Soccer Southwestern Randolph High Away

Tuesday, October 24

4:00 PM Super Tuesday at Lee J. Stone Stadium

Wednesday, October 25

No events scheduled

Thursday, October 26

7:00 PM Boys Junior Varsity Football Southwestern Randolph High Away

Friday, October 27

7:30 PM Boys Varsity Football Southwestern Randolph High *Senior Night* **Home**

Saturday, October 28

9:00 AM Coed Varsity Cross Country OPEN DATE 3A Regionals Away

PTEC Professional Development for Principals

