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Congrats Ms. Maness, Asheboro City Schools Principal of the Year!

Meet the BOE: Mr. Baxter Hammer

Mr. Baxter Hammer has served on the Asheboro City of Board of Education for nine months. Professionally, Mr. Hammer is the plant controller for Timken. He loves everything about the beach. His hobbies include going to the beach, eating seafood, and if he had one million dollars, Mr. Hammer would retire and move to the beach! He loves serving the students of Asheboro City Schools because he wants to ensure each student gets the best education possible!



Anna Lowe, EC Teacher of Excellence

Ms. Anna Lowe holds the honor of being selected as the 2016 Exceptional Children Teacher of Excellence for Asheboro City Schools. Ms. Lowe is a steady, calming presence for students and colleagues. She is a consistent and dependable problem-solver, who brings balance to every team she is a part of. She thoughtfully navigates the paperwork ensuring an accurate reflection of the student and his or her needs, and how those needs will be addressed with the highest level of fidelity. If Ms. Lowe is responding to any given need, you can be assured she will consistently navigate the team to effective outcomes.



Singh Named Commended Student in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program

Amar Singh has been named a Commended Student in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. Approximately 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although these students do not continue in the 2017 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students are placed among the top five percent of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2017 competition by taking the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMQST).



School Resource Guide courtesy of the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce

The Asheboro-Randolph Chamber of Commerce Business and Education Committee has compiled a list of funding resources for educators which can be found here. The Committee has been working on this database for the last year and they are pleased to finally share with educators in Asheboro City and Randolph County. In addition to the Google Sheet, a video has also been created to help educators navigate the database! Happy researching!





AHS Students Visit the Randolph Arts Guild

On Friday, September 16, Mrs. Lyons's AP English Literature classes visited the Randolph Arts Guild, where local artist Cara Bevan's paintings and sculptures made from gourds are featured for the next few weeks. Prior to the visit, students learned about literary devices used in Wallace Stevens's poem "13 Ways of Looking at a Blackbird." Bevan spoke about her process and works and answered student questions. Following the visit, students wrote original poems entitled "13 Ways of Looking at a Gourd," using notes about selected pieces as inspiration.





Once again, the AAEOP Scholarship Fundraiser this fall will be sponsored by RADA Cutlery. Orders will be taken through November 4th and orders will arrive mid November. Please see any AAEOP member or your school secretary to place an order. All checks should be made payable to AAEOP. Thank you so much for your support with this fundraiser! Remember - all proceeds go to support scholarships for our students at Asheboro High School!



Verizon Wireless Gives Discount to ACS Employees

Verizon Wireless offers all ACS employees an 18% discount on their primary line of service. This should show up on your wireless bill. Contact Verizon Wireless to confirm or visit www.verizonwireless.com/discounts to sign up. Enroll online using your ACS email address or in store with proof of employment and a photo ID.

Get REAL2

Asheboro City Schools is excited to partner with the Randolph County Public Library to provide easier access to books and learning resources through a new program called Get REAL2. No library card, no problem!

Get REAL2 allows our students to:

- Check-out up to 10 books at any of the Randolph County Public Library locations;
- Access online library research and learning resources;
- Borrow electronic materials such as e-books, downloadable audiobooks, and magazines;
- Use the library's WIFI access;
- And use the library's internet computers.

Best of all, there are NO OVERDUE fees for students! Happy READING!



Randolph Educational Access for Limitless Learning





CIEE Global Navigator Positions Open

Are you looking for a tangible way to make a difference in the lives of high school students? Do you have a passion for supporting high school students in their pursuit of study abroad? If you enjoy facilitating international, intercultural, immersive experience for high school students you are encouraged you to apply to be a CIEE Global Navigator. The Council on International Education Exchange (CIEE) is seeking Program Leaders committed to the process of education, cross-cultural learning and leadership development for the Global Navigator High School Summer programs in 2017. These programs are three or four weeks in length and are currently offered at CIEE Study Centers in 19 countries around the world for U.S. high school students in the 2017-2020 graduating classes. Learn more by clicking here!

ACS Teaching Grant Opportunities

Asheboro City Schools invites all teachers to submit teaching mini-grant proposals for funding consideration for the 2016-2017 school year. Teachers may apply individually or in groups. Each request should not exceed \$750. ACS Teaching Grants are not intended to provide materials and/or equipment to implement regular instructional programs. Grant proposals must include the cover sheet and be no more than five double-spaced typed pages in length. Please submit five copies to the Central Office by Friday, October 7, 2016. Criteria for the grant proposals should include:

- Rationale for the project (how project <u>enhances/enriches</u> the North Carolina Standards and alignment with the ACS Strategic Plan/school's Continuous Improvement Plan);
- 2. Goals for the project (how goals will be <u>measured</u> to determine the impact on student achievement);
- 3. A brief overview of the project activities, including a timeline;
- 4. Evaluation strategies used to determine if project goals are met;
- 5. Description of digital artifact(s), e.g. video, podcast, photo movie, to be shared with administration, staff, and the Board of Education;
- 6. Projected budget indicating what materials or resources will be necessary to carry out your project and meet your goals.

The information is also available on \\CentralO2\users\Instruction\ACS, Teaching Grant.

Check out the ACS Health YouTube Channel

The Asheboro City Schools Nurse Team is excited to present "ACSHealth," a new YouTube Channel with Corey Comet videos for quick access. Check out the channel here: https://www.youtube.com/user/ACSHealth

Flu Shot Clinic Dates and Locations Scheduled

Asheboro City Schools will host flu shot clinics for employees and their families who are covered by Blue Cross Blue Shield on Tuesday, November 1 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Employees can get their shots at the Central Office Board Room or in the lobby of the auditorium at North Asheboro Middle School. Please contact Tina Varner is you have questions!

Annual State Health Plan Enrollment Next Month

2017 State Health Plan Open Enrollment will be October 1-31, 2016. Emails will be sent to all employees later regarding enrollment instructions. Also, if you complete your health assessment online between now and October 15, you will be eligible for prize drawings. Below is the link to the State Health Plan website,

https://shp.nctreasurer.com/Pages/default.aspx.

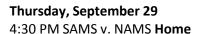
NCHSAA Scholarship Opportunities for Student-Athletes

Many scholarships are available for Asheboro High School student-athletes through the North Carolina High School Athletic Association. Please be sure to make our students aware of these opportunities. To learn more about what is available, please log on to the following website: http://www.nchsaa.org/students-parents/nchsaa-endowed-fund-scholarships.

NAMS and SAMS Softball

Tuesday, September 27 4:30 PM SAMS v. UMS **Away**

Tuesday, September 27 4:30 PM NAMS v. ATMS Home



NAMS and SAMS Football

Wednesday, September 28 4:30 PM SAMS v. SERMS Home

Wednesday, September 28 4:30 PM NAMS v. SWRMS Away





AHS Athletic Calendar

Monday, September 26

4:00 PM Girls Varsity Golf MPC Match Ledford Host@Medowlands Away
4:00 PM Girls Varsity Tennis Southwestern Randolph High Away
5:30 PM Boys Junior Varsity Soccer North Forsyth High School Away
7:00 PM Boys Varsity Soccer North Forsyth High School Away

Tuesday, September 27

12:00 PM Girls Varsity Golf Emma Ducey Memorial Golf Classic **Home**4:00 PM Girls Varsity Tennis Western Guilford High School **Home**5:00 PM Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Southern Guilford High School **Home**5:00 PM Coed Varsity Cross Country Central Davidson Host **Away**6:00 PM Girls Varsity Volleyball Southern Guilford High School **Home**

Wednesday, September 28

4:00 PM Coed Varsity Cross Country Wheatmore High School **Away**4:30 PM Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Providence Grove High School *Pink and White Game* **Away**

5:30 PM Boys Junior Varsity Soccer Ledford Senior High School **Home** 6:00 PM Girls Varsity Volleyball Providence Grove High School *Pink and White Game* **Away**

7:00 PM Boys Varsity Soccer Ledford Senior High School Home

Thursday, September 29

4:00 PM Girls Varsity Golf @Asheboro Municipal **Home**5:00 PM Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Western Guilford High School **Home**6:00 PM Girls Varsity Volleyball Western Guilford High School **Home**7:00 PM Boys Junior Varsity Football Southwestern Randolph High **Home**

Friday, September 30

7:30 PM Boys Varsity Football Southwestern Randolph High Away

