

Principal's Report
February 10, 2023

The end of the winter sports season is upon us. I want to congratulate Coach Moore and her bowling teams on a fine season. The girls team became the first State team qualifiers for APS and Jacob Moore once again qualified for the individual competition. On the girls side, Courtney Eidson and Lauren Moore qualified for the individual and Lauren became our first state medalist, placing 5th. It was great to be able to watch this event.

On Monday, January 16 we hosted the RPAC East Vocal Clinic. We were able to hear many great performances from our area choirs, as well as a mass choir performance.

On January 28 we hosted the Darrell Barnes Wrestling Invitational Tournament. It was a very competitive tournament. A big thank you to Mr. Kronhofman for managing the tournament and the wrestling parents for an awesome hospitality room.

Mrs. Foley took her World History class to Nicodemus, Kansas to tour the first African-American settlement in Kansas. The students will use this experience to help them prepare for their National History Day projects.

On February 14, we will have our Parent/Teachers conferences. Unfortunately we will have a JH basketball game as well as a Girls Sub District Basketball game that will affect our turnout. We will sue Sign Up Genius for parents to sign up for conferences. The links have been shared.

On February 20 we will have an Inservice day. We will begin the day with Kate Hatch from ESU #11, determining what our Continuous School Improvement goal will be for our next cycle. Following that, she will meet with our Steering Committee to give them directions on how we will go about reaching our CIS goal. In the afternoon, we will have a meeting with our Special Education department to address our students' needs. After that meeting, I will be meeting with Central Community College and our Cambridge instructor to discuss our Dual Credit English Comp class.

During the week of March 6, we will conduct MAPS testing with our students.

Due to the situations in our JH and HS locker rooms, I have decided to lock them during the day. Students are hanging out in the locker rooms during class time and students have reported to me that students are vaping in the locker rooms. These are unsupervised areas so in order to keep the building safe and secure, I will keep them locked. It is my understanding that before moving into the new building that the locker rooms were locked during school hours.

It is my understanding that there have been some questions on social media regarding graduation attire. I developed a survey regarding that concern the evening after it was brought up at an earlier Board Meeting. I have shared that survey with Mr. Drews.

Summer School for Grades 7th-12th

Will be available to any APS student to make up credit from proceeding school year/s. It will be run for 4 weeks during the month of June. Attendance is mandatory and will run from 8:00am-12:00pm, Monday thru Thursday. The curriculum will be online using Edgenuity. Students will have a timeline so that they will know how they should progress in order to complete their class by the end of the program. The class will meet in the Distance Learning Room at APS.

Cost of the program will be \$100, regardless of the number of credits being recovered. If a student successfully completes their class by the end of the program their fee will be refunded.

If a student cannot complete their class/es by the end of the program, an extension appeal may be made to the building principal. No extension will be granted past the end of July. Students who are granted an extension will not have their fee refunded.

If a student has to take credit recovery due to excessive classroom absences, the fee will be based on the amount of credit to be made up:

½ credit - \$25

1 credit - \$35

2 credits - \$50

Students must attend every day until the class is completed and they have made up the time they have missed. The time will be determined by the Building Principal.

The Building Principal will work with the classroom teacher to determine the adequate units of instruction that will be assigned that will correspond with the time of instruction that the student missed. There will be no refund if a student is making up credit due to excessive classroom absences,