



December 20, 2023

ALGONQUIN’S GAME OF THE WEEK - FOR STUDENT SPECTATORS

Our next game of the week is on THURSDAY, December 21, featuring the Modified Boys Basketball game!

Please note this is a correction from our last weekly email, with the game taking place on Thursday.

AMS Students are invited to attend our Algonquin Game of the Week during the winter modified sports season.

Details about and expectations for these fun events were included in a video shared with students.

Date	Team
Thurs Dec 21	Boys Basketball
Thurs Jan 4	Girls Basketball
Thurs Jan 11	Boys Basketball
Thurs Jan 25	Girls Basketball
Weds Feb 7	Wrestling

Students must sign up in advance, find a teacher to stay until 3:20 and have a ride here at AMS for 5:30pm. Students should see the email sent by Mr. Messia for more information.

Also, on December 21st, a concession stand will be available for students to purchase snacks. Let’s go Warriors!

Thank You

We greatly appreciate your plentiful donations.

There will be lots of happy people this holiday season, thanks to your help!

Kiwanis Builders Club
Building Leaders

GRADE 8 MOVIE EVENT - THURSDAY

Grade 8 students will participate in a special movie event on Thursday, where they will watch the film Flyboys, about a young American who volunteered for the French military before the U.S. entered World War I. This film connects with our current unit on World War I in social studies classes. We hope students enjoy the film.



GRADE 6 MOVIE EVENT - FRIDAY

Grade 6 students will participate in a special movie event on Friday, where they will watch the film Percy Jackson - The Lightning Thief as a culmination of their unit using the book of the same name in Literacy classes. Thank you.



GRADE 8 FAMILIES: TECH VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION PROCESS

TechValley High School has begun its admissions process for next school year.

More information can be found on their [admissions website](#).

Averill Park plans to offer two seats to the TechValley program next year.

Please note that interested students must attend an information session provided by TechValley in order to be considered for the admissions lottery.

All applications are due to the AMS Counseling Center by Friday, February 16.

AMS families with questions can reach out to Grade 8 Counselor, Katelyn Baker at bakerk@apcsd.org

STUDENT COUNCIL THEME WEEK DECEMBER 18 - 22

Student Council's Theme Week continues...

Thursday- Favorite Holiday Movie Characters

Friday- Pajamas OR for 6th graders, Camp Halfblood

APO NEWS

American Red Cross CPR Babysitting Course - GRADE 8 STUDENTS ONLY

Date: Saturday 1/20/24 Class Time: 9am – 2pm

Location: Algonquin Middle School Library



Cost: \$70 per student (includes certification)

What to Bring: Bag lunch, water bottle & pen

Registrations are due by 1/17/24

[Click Here to View the Registration Form - \(Also Available in the AMS Main Office\)](#)

The AMS Winter Luau will be on February 7th from 2:30-4:30. We will be playing beach ball volleyball, making crafts, playing games and of course LIMBO!!!! Sign ups will be coming out closer to the event!



FROM THE AMS LIBRARY

SAVE THE DATE FOR CODING CLUB

Coding Club returns on Thursday, January 11th. If your child would like to join us, they need to sign up. To sign up, they will need to let Mrs. Ekstrom know, in person or they can email her at ekstromr@apcsd.org

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE JANUARY BOOK CLUB

The Pleasure Read Book Club returns on Thursday, January 18th. If your child would like to join us, they can bring a middle school level book of their choice. Students need to sign up. To sign up, they will need to let Mrs. Ekstrom know, in person or they can email her at ekstromr@apcsd.org

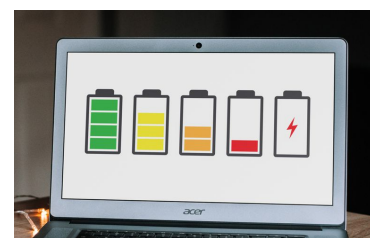
EMAGAZINES THROUGH SORA

Your child has access to always available digital magazines! You can find magazines for every subject in the Sora app, which your child may already be using for ebooks and audiobooks. The collection includes current issues and back issues for education and entertainment today. The best part? Each issue can be borrowed by as many people at a time as needed, with no waiting.



Check out the collection [HERE!](#)

CHROMEBOOK PREPAREDNESS



If your child forgets their Chromebook or arrives at school with its battery dead, three times in one quarter, they will have lunch detention. Having their Chromebook in school, charged and ready to go is part of their job as a student. Additionally we have a very limited number of loaner Chromebooks that need to be utilized by students who may be experiencing a technical issue. Please encourage your child to charge it and bring it to school as part of their after school routine. Thank you.

A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FROM THE POESTENKILL PUBLIC LIBRARY! BAT BOX IS BACK FOR A NEW CYCLE

The Poestenkill Library has introduced a new Books and Treats (BAT) subscription box program just for teens ages 13-18. Interested teens can register to receive a box each month. What's in the BAT Box? Each box is jam packed with library books hand-picked for each subscriber based on their preferences, along with snacks and super-fun themed goodies to keep!

Registration for January boxes is open from 12/27/23-1/10/24. BAT Boxes can be picked up after 1/24/24. Registration forms can be found at the library, or there is an online registration available via the library's website as well: <https://www.poestenkilllibrary.org/teen-scene/>

BAT BOX
BOOKS AND TREATS JUST FOR YOU

ONLY AVAILABLE TO YOUNG ADULTS AGE 13-18

Request Before 1/10/24

Pick Up 1/24/24

SCAN FOR DECEMBER BAT BOX REQUEST FORM

For more information call Poestenkill Library at 513-523-3721 or email Director@Poestenkilllibrary.org

HOW DOES IT WORK?

1. FILL OUT A REQUEST FORM & TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF AND YOUR READING HABITS.
2. OUR LIBRARIAN WILL HAND-PICK BOOKS FOR YOU BASED ON YOUR PREFERENCES, PLUS SHE'LL INCLUDE SNACKS AND THEMED TREATS FOR YOU TO KEEP!
3. PICK UP YOUR PERSONAL BAT BOX AT POESTENKILL LIBRARY DURING THE DESIGNATED PICK UP WEEK.
4. ENJOY YOUR BAT BOX.
5. RETURN THE BOOKS & BOX TO THE LIBRARY BY THE DUE DATE, KEEP EVERYTHING ELSE!

REMEMBER TO REQUEST A BAT BOX EVERY MONTH!