



Amherst Middle School Weekly Email

January 15, 2021

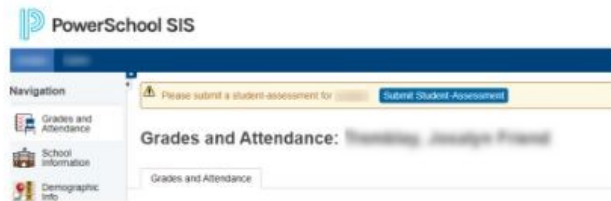
Required Daily COVID Screening/Reporting

- All parents of in person students will be required to complete the daily COVID-19 screening form in PowerSchool by 7:00 AM.
- It is imperative that this form is filled out on a daily basis in order to ensure the safety and well-being of all students and staff. If the form is not filled out by 7:00 AM, you will receive an email notification with a warning message asking you to complete the form by 7:30AM.

If the student enters the building without the form being filled out, a two-strike system has been established by the district. The first time the form is not completed, the parent is called and the student's temperature is checked. On the second occurrence, the parent will be called and the student will be dismissed from school.

Click [here](#) for link to PowerSchool Portal

The COVID screener is located in the PowerSchool parent portal (on a browser). If you use the PowerSchool mobile app, a link is posted in bulletins that will take you to the parent portal on a browser. The screening will appear upon login (top visual). Once you complete the screening, the message will change to green.



Once you complete the screening, the message will change to green, and will reset daily.



Calendar

January 18: No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 19: Return to In Person/Remote Learning Model
January 22: Flannel Friday, wear your toasty flannel
January 27: Quarter 2 Ends
February 19: 2 Hour Early Release Day

SAU39 Communication

- To get snow day messages via text, text SAU39SNOW to 888777
- To get all SAU-39 communications via text, text SAU39 to 888777


For more on how to sign up for communications via NIXLE, please see the district site: <https://www.sau39.org/domain/530>

We have the courage to care!



AMS Weekly STEAM Challenge

Make a Snowball



In a plastic non-food container, mix the Glue-All and liquid starch. Mix until it becomes firm. When it is firm, take it out of the container and hold it in the sink under a slow trickle of running warm water. Knead it and squish it until it becomes a ball.

Materials needed:

- 1 cup of Elmer's Glue-All
- 1 cup of liquid starch
- a little warm water

For color, add a couple drops of food coloring while you mix it.

We would love to see your creation. Take a photo, and send it to Mrs. Hargreaves at Shargreaves@sau39.org

AMS WINTER READING CHALLENGE

JANUARY 10TH-MARCH 30TH

- ___ 10 POINTS READ ABOUT A NEW HOBBY
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A GRAPHIC NOVEL
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A BIOGRAPHY
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A MYSTERY
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A NON-FICTION BOOK
- ___ 10 POINTS READ ABOUT ART OR MUSIC
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A HISTORICAL FICTION BOOK

- ___ 10 POINTS READ A BOOK ABOUT A DIFFERENT COUNTRY OR WORLD
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A BOOK ABOUT RESILIENCE
- ___ 10 POINTS READ A BOOK THAT HAS WON AN AWARD

100 TOTAL POINTS

Take a photo of you with your favorite books with a caption and send it to Mrs. Hargreaves Shargreaves@sau39.org or Mrs. Epstein at Mepstein@sau39.org
We can't wait to hear what you think!

Are you up for the challenge?
Every student who completes this challenge wins a prize and will be named AMS Reading Champions. Then, they will be entered into a raffle for a \$20 gift card from the Toadstool Bookshop! The raffle will be held Monday April 5th!
Happy Reading!

