



Amherst Middle School Weekly Email

January 8, 2021

Calendar

January 4-15: All students in remote classes
January 11: Parent Remote Info Session (see below for details)
January 12: Amherst PTA Meeting
January 13: ASB Public Meeting
January 18: No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 19: Return to In Person/Remote Learning Model
January 27: Quarter 2 Ends
February 19: 2 Hour Early Release Day

Amherst PTA

The PTA January Newsletter is now available:
<https://www.smore.com/cfdot>

SAU-39: Daily COVID Screening/ Reporting

Parents/guardians must complete a daily COVID screening before sending students to school each day. Parents/guardians will be contacted to pick up students who come to school without completing a screening. The COVID screening is located in the PowerSchool parent portal (on a browser). Please give this a try next week before your children return to in-person learning.

We also ask for continued notifications to us of all positive tests by emailing covidalerts@sau39.org. Please send us those results so we can track and ensure the safety of the in-person environment.

Important Links

School Counselors and Student Support Services continue to be available throughout the school day for students .

[School Contacts and Resources](#)

Remote Support

The Technology Team would like to remind you that we are working to serve you during this remote time; email us at remotesupport@sau39.org with as much detail as possible about your technology issue.

Parent Remote Info Session

SAU-39 will be holding a parent information session on Monday, January 11 at 6:30pm to share tips and information on supporting your child at home during remote learning. Please [register](#) in advance for this meeting, after which you will receive a confirmation email.

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/>

We have the courage to care!



AMS Weekly STEAM Challenge Design & Create an Outdoor Sculpture



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



Explore your back yard, and collect objects from Nature. Using water, ice-cube trays and buckets, design an outdoor sculpture that incorporates all of these things.



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!

