



Amherst Middle School Weekly Email

April 12, 2019

Calendar

April 12: School dance, grades 6, 7 and 8, 7pm
April 12-14: PTA Play, *Mulan, Jr* at SHS Theater
April 15: 7th Grade "Living Voices" Presentation
April 16: NJHS Induction Ceremony, 6:30pm
April 18: 7th Grade GSI "Eagle Tank" Expo
April: 22-26: NO School, Spring Recess
May 1: MVVS 6th grade Transition Night, 6pm at AMS
May 3: AMS Talent Show, 6:30pm
May 6: Screening "Resilience"
May 7: 4th to 5th Grade Transition Night, 6pm at AMS
May 8: PTA General Meeting, 6pm at Wilkins
May 8: Theater Club Banquet, 7:30pm
May 10: School Dance, 7pm, grades 6, 7, and 8

Electives Selection

Important: parents/guardians of students who will be in grades 6, 7 or 8 at AMS next year

As we begin our planning for the 2019-20 school year, we are asking students/parents of rising 6th, 7th, and 8th graders to select a music course and a world language course for the upcoming year. Please use the link below:

<https://forms.gle/a9tdQmJVLi93R2k9>



THIS WEEKEND...

PTA Play "Mulan"

Friday, April 12 @ 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 13 @ 2:00PM & 7:00PM

Sunday, April 14 @ 2:00 PM

We have the courage to care!

School Counselors Plan for Transitions

As we approach the spring break, the school counselors have been busy planning transition activities and getting ready for the next school year. While each grade brings its own set of new circumstances and expectations, the biggest changes will be happening for those students moving from one school to another. Wilkins 4th graders and Mont Vernon 6th graders are getting ready to move to the middle school, and our 8th graders are getting ready to move to the high school. For these students there are orientation and information nights with opportunities to ask questions of current students and to take tours.

Our current 5th graders will help us create booklets full of “Words of Wisdom” and other advice for the 4th graders. We have a Shadow day for the Mont Vernon 6th graders to come spend some time with their future classmates and to become better acquainted with the middle school. Both the Wilkins 4th graders and the Mont Vernon 6th graders will be coming to AMS for Step-Up on the last day of school.

Our 8th graders have met with the high school counselors to learn about schedules and to make course choices. They’ll soon visit the high school for their tours and more information.

Behind the scenes we’ve begun meeting with counselors and teachers at our school and the other schools to exchange any information that will help us with appropriate placements for all our current and future students. Whether your child is moving to a new school or just to the next grade, please feel free to get in touch if you have questions or if there is any way we can help your student look forward to moving up to a new grade in the fall.

If you’re not sure of who your student’s counselor is, here are the current assignments:

Maggie Kim – Grade 6 and the McCarthy/Steenhoek 5th grade team

Deb Dionne – Grade 7 and the Menning/Terhune 5th grade team

Dan Farina – Grade 8 and the Hujsak/Wright 5th grade team

Next year, Maggie and Deb will loop with their current students to 7th and 8th grade respectively, and Dan will become counselor to all of 6th grade. Each of us will also have one of the 5th grade teams.

SPIRIT OF INNOVATION

GLOBAL SCIENCE INITIATIVE “EAGLE TANK” EXPO

7th Grade

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019

7:45-10:30 AM AMHERST MIDDLE SCHOOL

Library and technology news!

The 2019 NH Isinglass Book Award celebrates books geared toward grade seven and eight students. We have all of the TEN nominated books available in the library. Many students are reading with great anticipation of the spring vote. We will be celebrating the AMS students who read the most nominees with special prizes and events.

Technology classes have been busy. Grade eight students are completing their digital portfolios to meet the NH state requirement of showcasing technology work in all content curriculum areas.

8th Grade Yearbook

ORDER DEADLINE EXTENDED

<https://commpe.pictavo.com/PictavoSchool/FindSchool>

Use school code of 77801 and click LETS GO.

Talent Show

Student Leadership and Service will be hosting its annual talent show on Friday, May 3. We are very excited about showcasing some amazing AMS talent!

Tech Rehearsal: Wednesday, April 17, 2:30-4pm OR Tuesday, April 30, 2:30-4pm

Talent Show: Friday, May 3, 6:30-8:30pm

You must attend an audition and a tech rehearsal in order to participate in the Talent Show

You are responsible for music and equipment needed for your performance



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Opening Night is Tonight! Come be amazed by stunning costumes, great voices, and a hardworking cast and crew. 4/12-4/14: Come out to see 60 local kids perform in *Mulan Jr.* at the Souhegan Theater.

Tickets: AmherstPTAmulanjr.brownpapertickets.com or

call [617.938.9423](tel:617.938.9423) Tickets also available locally in Amherst and Milford at: Moulton's Market (checks only) | Black Forest Cafe | Mother & Child | Toadstool Bookshop (tickets available locally and online until 3pm Friday, 10am Saturday, and 10am Sunday). Tickets are also available at the Souhegan box office before shows.

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Saturday, 5/11: Son's Choice Event. Boys in preschool-8th grade are invited for a day of fun. See ticket form shared with online flyers or on our website.

Congratulations to Tricia Towne and Laura Ilsley for their elections to PTA Executive Board Member at Large and Treasurer, respectively. Thank you for your volunteerism!

Now is the time! We're looking for parents interested in taking on a role as committee members, committee chairs, and executive board members for NEXT year. Email for more information.

In case you missed it last week, a lot of great information is located in the latest newsletter available at this link- <http://amherstnhpta.org/newsletter.html>

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