ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Fall Update

Dear Arrow Families,

We have had an outstanding start to our school year! Our students have done a great job both in the classroom and in their extracurricular activities! As we move deeper into fall, there are some important dates you will want to be aware of on page 1 of our newsletter.

One date that is a change from our original schedule is the two hour early release before Thanksgiving Break. The special schedule for that day is listed below.

You'll also notice that the 2nd round of parent teacher conferences is on November 30th from 3:30 to 7 PM. If you want to get an early start on scheduling those please feel free to call our main office.

Thanks again for a great start! We're looking forward to the next part of our year with your students!

- Mr. Packard

Ashland High School will be on a 2 hour early release bell schedule on Tuesday, November 21st.

Important Dates

November 3rd - Report Cards sent home with students November 3rd - Fall Musical 7 PM, AHS Little Theater November 4th - Fall Musical 7 PM AHS Little Theater November 8th - Fall Athletic Signing Day November 9th - Fall Jazz Band Concert - 7 PM November 14th - Vision and Hearing Screening November 14th - Sophomore visit to ACWHCC November 21st - 2 hour early release November 22nd-24th - Thanksgiving Break November 27th - Winter Sports Meet the Team 8 PM November 30th - Parent Teacher Conference Night December 3rd - Choir Concert 2:00 PM December 4th - Band & Orchestra Concert 6:30 PM December 19th - Last Day of Class before break January 3rd- School Resumes following break January 10th - College Credit Plus Info Night 6 PM January 9th-11th - End of Semester Schedule January 11th - End of the First Semester/2nd 9 weeks January 12th - Teacher Trade Day - No School January 15th - No School January 27th - Winter Formal February 7th - Winter Athletic Signing Day February 27th - ACT Test for All Juniors

2 Hour Early Release Bell Schedule			
1	7:40	8:17	
2	8:21	8:55	
3	8:59	9:33	
4	9:37	10:11	
6	10:15	10:49	
5A Lunch	10:53	11:19	
5A Class	11:23	11:57	
5B Class	10:53	11:27	
5B Lunch	11:31	11:57	
7	12:01	12:35	

Chromebooks

Students have done a great job remembering their Chromebooks each day. Please continue to remind them to charge them at home so they are ready for school. If a student's Chromebook becomes damaged or is not functioning, please have them bring it to the office. AHS will do one free damage repair for students throughout the year, but repairs after that are billed to student accounts.

Podcasts

Our Arrow Media students have been working hard on podcasts that tell the story of good things going on in our district. Search for Arrow Media Podcasts on Spotify or wherever you listen to your podcasts for our latest episodes. Listen to our most recent guest, Dr. Keith Ramsdell of Ashland University explain the benefits of our Talon Track partnership.



Parking Passes

All students who drive and wish to park in the student parking lot must purchase a parking pass. This applies to CCP and parttime AHS students as well. These are available in the main office for \$10 and *must be purchased annually. Students may not park in the staff parking lot, designated visitor spaces, or painted reserved senior spaces.*

Attendance

Detailed Attendance Guidelines for Ashland High School can be found in our handbook beginning on page 5. Please remember if your student will be absent to call the attendance office at 419-289-7968 ext. 3309

Medical Appointments

If your student will be absent due to a medical appointment, please be sure to have the doctor's office write an excuse for that day so that the absence will not count against their total hours missed.

Participation in an organized team/extracurricular activity requires that the student be in attendance for a full day on the day of the scheduled activity. A full day is determined by the time a student "arrives at" or "leaves from" school. To be eligible, a student must arrive by 9:15 a.m. If leaving early, the student must arrive on time and leave no sooner than 1:00 p.m.

Work Permits

Students who are between the ages of 14-17 and have obtained after school jobs will need a work permit signed by the school. Work permits are available in the AHS main office. Students should fill out the top portion of the permit, then have their employer fill out the bottom part. They may also need a physical from their physician. After these parts are completed, they can return the from to AHS and we will issue the work permit.

Extracurricular Eligibility

During the 2nd 9 weeks of 2023-2024 our new eligibility standards will take effect.

In order to be eligible in the 2nd 9 weeks, students <u>must have received passing grades in</u> <u>a minimum of five one-credit courses or the</u> <u>equivalent, have at least a 1.5 GPA and have</u> <u>no more than 1 F on their report card.</u>

Students who have between a 1.5 and 1.8 GPA will remain eligible but will be placed on probation during the following grading period and may be required to meet regularly with their Arrow Time teacher.

Class of 2024 - Important Information

Friday, December 15 Deadline for submitting baby pictures—3:00 PM

Box in Main Office OR ahsguide@goarrows.org

- Direct all questions pertaining to the yearbook & senior picture submission to Ms. Kelly Swearingen, yearbook advisor OR check <u>www.ashlandcityschools.org/hs/guide-yearbook</u>
- Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope in order to have your photo returned (see the Guide website if you need directions regarding how to do this)

2024

Friday, February 23 Deadline for senior photos—3:00 PM

submit to ahsguide@goarrows.org (physical pictures are NOT accepted)

- Pictures not submitted by this deadline will not be included in the senior section of the yearbook. Submit senior photos in .jpg OR .jpeg format.
- Direct all questions pertaining to the yearbook & senior picture submission to Ms. Kelly Swearingen, yearbook advisor OR check www.ashlandcityschools.org/hs/guide-yearbook

Wednesday, April 9 Jostens Delivery (caps, gowns, announcements) Date

- Payment in full is required at the time of pick-up. Payment must be in the form of cash or money order...no checks!
- Items may be picked up in the basketball concession stand during all three lunch periods, or in the office afterwards.

Wednesday, April 10 ACWHCC graduation delivery Wednesday, April 11 PCTC graduation delivery

Friday, April 26 Senior Recognition Ads due to the Guide by 3:00 pm and yearbook orders are due.

Monday, May 20 Senior Social/Sunset Viewing, after Scholar Recognition Night, 8:00ish.

Thursday, May 30 Farewell Assembly Practice, 12:45-2:35 AHS Gym

• Seniors who are planning to participate in the Farewell Assembly must attend practice

Friday, May 31 Farewell Assembly, 8:00 AM AHS Gym

· Seniors report to Archer by 7:40 am in order to robe

Friday, May 31 Graduation Practice, 12:00-2:30, AHS Gym

You must attend practice to participate in the ceremony

Baccalaureate, 7:00 pm at Grace Church

- Participation is voluntary
- Graduates are to report to the church chapel by 6:30 pm

Saturday, June 1 Graduation, 10:00 am, Community Stadium OR 7:00 pm

- In the case of inclement weather, graduation will be held in Arrow Arena at Ashland High School; tickets required for entry to Arrow Arena; ceremony broadcast to Archer Auditorium
- If weather conditions are questionable for an outdoor ceremony, information will be posted on Channel 72, the website, and communicated via Twitter and Remind

Important Names and Contact Information

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College Credit Plus (CCP) Updates

Spring Semester Registration

Spring CCP Registration for Off-Campus/Online Courses (This is only for classes students are taking at AU, NCSC or OSU - - this info does NOT apply to the CCP classes taken at AHS):

Students currently enrolled in CCP courses do not need to reapply. However, it is very important they check their college email as their college advisor will be contacting them to begin the course registration process for Spring classes.

Ashland University

Ashland University Spring Registration will begin on November 15th. Students taking classes at AU must frequently check their AU email and look for updates from Carla Coon (as well as regular course information and emails from their professors!) Students are still able to meet directly with Ms. Coon upon request (<u>ccoon@ashland.edu</u>). Remember: Ashland U classes are truly AU classes and we do not see any grades until final grades are submitted to us at the end of the semester. It is up to your student to be actively engaged in their learning and be aware of their course grades, attendance policies for their college classes, etc.

New CCP Students

Any students not currently enrolled in CCP courses, but would like to take CCP courses next semester should see Mrs. Thomas as soon as possible. They will need to apply to the college through which they would like to take CCP courses by that college's application deadline for spring classes. ACT or Accuplacer may also be necessary to get enrolled in the classes.

Save the Date

Join us for the annual CCP information night on Wednesday, January 10th at 6 pm in the Ashland High School Little Theater

North Central State College

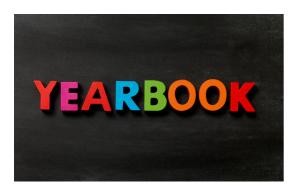
Spring Registration will begin in early November for students taking classes on NCSC's campus or online through NCSC (this does not apply to students taking the NCSC CCP classes at AHS from AHS instructors). Contact Stephany Elgin (selgin@ncstatecollege.edu) with any guestions.

CCP Textbooks

All students taking classes at Ashland, NCSC or OSU-Mansfield MUST return their textbooks at the end of the fall semester directly to AHS Guidance or else they will be charged for them.

Scholar Recognition/Honor Roll for CCP Students

Honor Roll & Scholar Athlete Recognition: For classes taken at Ashland U, NCSC, or OSU-Mansfield, students must complete a form from the AHS Guidance Office at the end of the 1st 9 weeks and the 3rd 9 weeks. The colleges do not provide quarterly grades like the high school does, so students must have their college professors sign off on their current grade in the course. Forms will be available through Guidance and are due back by specific dates.



2023-24 yearbooks are on sale NOW! You can order online at <u>yearbookforever.com</u> or through Mrs. Swearingen at the high school. Books will be the lowest price all year--just \$65--through December 17. Order your book now to get the best price!

Previous yearbooks are available for purchase. Bundle packages are available if you would like to purchase multiple books. Contact Mrs. Swearingen at <u>ahsguide@goarrows.org</u> for more information

College Visits

Ashland High School students get several excused college visit days during their junior year and senior year. Check the schools you want to visit to see if there are any special visit days and schedule a time to go. Remember to grab a college visit form from the Guidance Office and check with your counselor first. You will need the college visit form signed by the college in order for the visit to be excused.



Potential College Athletes

If you are planning on playing sports in college, be sure to let your school counselor and coach know as early as possible.

9th Grade

• Keep your grades up and attend our annual eligibility and recruitment meeting.

10th Grade

- Register for a profile page or certification account with the NCAA Eligibility Center at: eligibilitycenter.org
- Check with your counselor to make sure you have taken the right number of approved courses and keep your grades up.
- If you have questions about the process, see your school counselor.

11th Grade

- Prepare to take the ACT. If you are not happy with your score, take it again.
- Submit ACT scores to the NCAA eligibility center.
- Check with your counselor to make sure you are taking the correct number of approved courses.
- Keep your grades out and reach out if you need help.

12th Grade

• Request your final amateurism certification beginning April 1st in your NCAA eligibility account. Continue to check in with your counselor and coach if you have questions

Arrows in Action



The Ashland High School Sweet Sixteen Dance Team volunteered their time with our local ACCESS program by helping at their Souper Saturday Fall Festival.



Congratulations to our FFA Nursery and Landscape Team for placing 7th in the Ohio High School Landscape Olympics!



Ashland High School students in our Mentoring & Leadership class, Student Council, and Community Service Club helped with our K-3 District Trick or Treat in October.



Congratulations to Drew Friesen for being named a Commended Student in the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program!



Congratulations to Perry Kral on being selected to the 2023 All State Orchestra and as an alternate to the All State Jazz Band!

Students of the Month

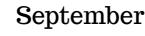
Each month AHS recognizes two students at each grade level for demonstrating respect, responsibility, and resilience every day. Students are nominated by their peers and teachers.



Landon Davis - 12th



Macyn Mowry - 10th





Alexandra Atkins - 12th



Gage Bowman - 10th



Brantyn Long - 11th



Bailey Hartman - 9th



Logan Leiter - 11th



Hunter Smith - 9th



K'Tyo Hendershott - 12th



October

Emma Neff - 12th



Atticus Zickefoose - 11th



Gracie Ellis - 11th



Nick Cartwright - 10th



Dakota Kruty - 10th



Noah Merrill - 9th



Emma Martin - 9th

All Ohio Cardinal Conference Athletes

Congratulations to our fall athletes earning All Conference Honors!

Football

Cayden Spotts Tyler Sauder Nate Bernhard Michael Franz Joey Isenhart Josh Pancake Gunner Lacey

Volleyball

Emma Valentine Lily Pool Jenna Hartson Katelyn Aber

Boys Cross Country K'Tyo Hendershott Brody Blough

Girls Cross Country Alanah Cole Ava Cline



Boys Soccer

Kaden Howman Ayden Behrendson Luke Driscoll Brady Anderson Gary George Braydon Martin

Girls Soccer

Claire Plank Amelia Hunt Ella Argo Adi Helbert Adria Brock

Boys Golf Reed Emmons

Girls Golf Lydia Wells Elleni Miller Kyah Huckleberry

Girls Tennis Chloe Ediger Morgan Kaufman

Congratulations to K'Tyo Hendershott for qualifying for the State Cross Country Meet!

