



AHJS Monday Mail

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AHJS News

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Alamo Heights ISD Medical Advisory Committee will be holding an informative presentation/Q&A session on Monday December 18th from 6-7pm in the Alamo Heights High School Auditorium Foyer. Our target audience is the athletic student population and their parents, but all are welcome to attend! The goal of the AHISD Medical Advisory Committee is to enhance the health and safety of its students of all grade levels, particularly the physically active and athletic population (this is not limited to JS and HS athletes). The committee is made up of members of the AHISD athletic training staff and team physicians, as well as other medical professionals who live in the community and work with our students. Some of the topics the committee would like to address include (but are not limited to):

- Athletic Trainers (What are they and how can they help the student athlete?)
- Biomechanical faults, starting with the foot and the effect on athletic performance
- Flexibility / Yoga / Core strengthening & stabilization
- Multi-sport vs. single-sport athletic participation
- Basic first aid & treatment of athletic injuries
- Nutrition & Hydration
- Concussions
- Weight lifting
- Sleep
- Shoes

(Other topics will be added based on interest)

UIL: Interested in having your child build their public speaking skills? Please click on this [link](#) or reach out to Mrs. Mata at mmata@ahisd.net for more information on our UIL Speaking event competitions in Spring! Students can compete in the following academic competitions: Impromptu, Modern Oratory, and Oral Reading. Practice sessions are held every Wednesday morning in room 222 with Mrs. Mata from 8:05-8:30.

After School Study Hall: Homework help is available for AHJS students every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 4:00-5:00pm in the AHJS library. There are two to three teachers available to help AHJS students with their homework.

Morning Library Hours: Our library opens at 7:30AM daily. Supervision is provided.

Regular/Late Bus: Please be aware that bus registration for Regular/Late bus must be filled out every year. The Transportation form is separate from the campus registration. Please go to: <http://www.ahisd.net/cms/One.aspx?portalId=8146&pageId=37206> and fill out the form for your child's campus.

JS Student Highlights/Academic News

Exams: This year we will not follow a traditional testing schedule that we have followed in previous years. If you have any questions about exams, please reach out to your student's teachers. We also recommend that you look at our "Test and Major Projects" calendar, which can be found in our JS website under the "Students and Parents" tab for any guidance on tests/projects your student will be taking this week or next week.

Spelling Bee: Rafael Diaz and Alden Jonas also participated in spelling bee FLEX. Mrs. Lowe & Ms. Nichols are proud of their hard work and commitment to excellence.

UIL: We earned 2nd place sweepstakes during our competition at Gus Garcia MS.

Science Olympiad: Amazing work and dedication by our Alamo Heights Junior School Science Olympiad team at the Fort Worth Harmony School of Innovation invitational meet! Keep working hard and competing! We will head to Houston, Texas on January 20, 2018. AHJS was 2nd overall all competing school! We earned 3rd overall in Anatomy & Physiology, 1st overall in Ecology, 3rd overall in Fast Facts, 3rd overall in Herpetology, 3rd overall in Meteorology, 2nd overall in Mystery Architecture, 1st overall in Optics, 2nd overall in Rocks and Minerals, 2nd and 3rd overall in

Thermodynamics, 3rd overall in Write it Do it and 1st place in Battery Buggy. The hard work and dedication of our students was on display! We are very proud of you! ~Mrs. Puchalski.

Boys Soccer: AHJS boys soccer team won against Smithson Valley MS (3-2)- Great team effort!

Girls Basketball: 7th grade Blue (20-12) and Gold (27-14) teams won against Corbett MS. Go Mules!




PTO News

Sixth Grade Girls Service Club will meet on Tuesday, December 12, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the AHJS cafeteria. Maurine Molak will be at the meeting to talk about David's Cyberbullying Pledge. Student members are encouraged to bring any change they collected for the charity of their choice to the meeting. Membership is still open on the AHJS PTO website.

AHJS Mule Market: AHJS T-Shirts, 8th Grade T-Shirts, and Spirit Socks are still available! Order online, and they will be delivered to your student. PTO Memberships, Parent/Teacher Party Tickets, HEB Card Orders, PTO Angels Donations, TOPS Donations, and Snack Pak 4 Kids donations will remain on Mule Market throughout the fall. Questions? Amy Case - amygcase@gmail.com

Yearbook: **New this year** Yearbooks are now ordered directly from Balfour at www.balfour.com. Simply enter Alamo Heights Junior High School as the school.

Junior School 2 Weeks at a Glance

Mon – 12/11	Tues – 12/12	Wed – 12/13	Thurs –12/14	Fri – 12/15	Sat – 12/16
BSoccer vs Church Hill MS (away) 4:30pm Strings Winter Concert (Aud) 6:30pm Adult ESL (Cafeteria, rms 109 &111) 6PM	6 gr. girls service club (Café) 4PM GBB White team vs Dobie MS 7/8 gr. (away) 5PM Chanukah	Art McNay FT BBB Parent Mtg. (boys gym) 5:30pm Adult ESL (Cafeteria, rms 109 &111) 6PM Chanukah	GBB vs Spring Branch 8gr. Home/7gr. away 5PM Reg. Board Mtg. 6PM Chanukah	Chanukah	BSoccer Tournament Canyon Lake HS (AHJS vs Spring Branch MS AHJS vs Mountain Valley MS) Chanukah
Mon – 12/18	Tues – 12/19	Wed – 12/20	Thurs –12/21	Fri – 12/22	Sat – 12/23
GBB White team vs Corbett MS 7 gr. away 4:30pm BBB vs Boerne MS S 8gr.home/7gr. away 5PM GBB vs Smithson Valley 8gr. away/7gr.home 5PM Chanukah	Chanukah	End of 2 nd Nine weeks Students Early release/Teacher work day 12:45pm Chanukah			
<div><div>Winter Break 12/21 - 1/3</div></div>					

District/Community News

AHISD Destination Imagination will be having a fundraiser at EZ's Brick Oven & Grill, 6498 N. New Braunfels Ave., San Antonio, TX 78209. The fundraiser will be on Thursday, January 18th from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Destination Imagination appreciates your support. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers.

DRONES - The Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) is providing information, guidelines and safety tips in accordance with FAA regulations to both recreational and commercial drone pilots. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers.

SHEN YUN 2018 presents art that's breathtakingly beautiful on December 26-27, 2017 at the Tobin Center. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers.

YMCA WINTER SPORTS - Registration is now open for the YMCA Winter Sports. For more information and registration a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers.

SOA 2018 LEAGUE - Register now for the 2018 Basketball and Volleyball leagues. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers.