



## AHJS Monday Mail

### Week of 15 January 2018

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### AHJS News

**8th grade parents and students** - SAVE the DATE: January 17th @ 6pm in the HS Auditorium to learn more about the transition to the HS. See the attached flyer.

**Does your child have a messy binder?** If yes, encourage them to attend Binder Rehab on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> during 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade lunch periods. Once they have eaten, they can bring their binder to the library and we will help them get organized for the new semester. Binder Rehab will be a monthly event in which we will offer tips, tools and hands on help to keep students on the path to academic success. If you have any questions, please contact our librarian, Jo Chasse, at 824.3231.

**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](mailto: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.

**Boys and Girls Tennis:** On Wednesday January 24th 6:00-6:30, in the Little Theater, there will be an informational meeting for parents and students interested in trying out for the 7th & 8th grade AHJS tennis teams. If you have any questions please contact Coach Osborne at 210.824.3231 ext 1209 or [nosborne@ahisd.net](mailto:nosborne@ahisd.net).

**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.

**Transportation:** For the safety of all the children and because of limited space on our buses, we are no longer allowing children to ride other buses home with friends.

**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

**Advisory/Flex classes:** This week has been a week of kindness and celebration! Students have been extremely excited and engaged in designing and planning their service project during advisory! Student advisory groups have elected to either show kindness and appreciation, raise funds for organizations, or serve others. Ask your student about their service projects!

**AHJS is proud to present Wizard of Oz Young Performer's Edition.** Join us for this classic tale STRAIGHT OUTTA OZ. You will see a talented group of students who will make you believe you are NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE, and remind you IT'S NOT WHERE YOU'VE BEEN BUT WHO YOU MEET ALONG THE WAY. January 25, 26, 27, 2018 in the AHJS Auditorium. Admission is Free! T-shirts will be on sale for \$15.

**6th and 7th Grade Parents:** AHJS will have its 6th to 7th/7th to 8th Grade Parent Transition Night on Tuesday, February 6th from 6pm to 7pm in the auditorium. Course recommendations, GT testing information, electives and new courses will be presented. Counselors and department representatives will be available for questions. If you have any questions, please contact the AHJS Guidance Office at 210-832-5790.

**UIL Mule Madness Meet**-Alamo Height Junior School is hosting our annual **UIL Mule Madness Meet** on **Saturday, January 27, 2017**. We are excited to host over 8 different middle schools from all over the city. Our UIL Invitational meet is a showcase of academic and intellectual competition that fuels the fire of academic rigor! Our UIL Academic Team consists of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders who

have been competing in academic competitions since October this academic year. We look forward to hosting again this year! If you would like to volunteer or make donations, please contact Mrs. Mata at [mmata@ahisd.net](mailto:mmata@ahisd.net) to learn how you can help! GO MULES!

**Girls Basketball:** 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Gold Teams won against Dobie and lots of good hustle from our Blue Teams. Go Mules!

## Character Corner

Do you want to have talking topics for the dinner table? Do you want to know what AHJS is discussing in advisory? Well you are in luck. You now have the Character Corner. Character Corner will inform you of Character Education topics that we are discussing in advisory and on our campus. We will also attach relevant articles related to the topics we talk about and upcoming event information.



**January 15th**

School Holiday

**January 16th**

15 Min Advisory

**January 22nd**

Goal Setting for the New Year

**January 29th**

Digital Citizenship


## PTO News

**Save the date! Springfest 2018** will be held **Friday, April 6 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.** Springfest, an afternoon of fun, games and activities for the entire community, is our largest fundraiser and provides much needed funds for our school. **Sponsorship opportunities are available at the following levels: Mighty Mule \$3,500+ (only two remaining for purchase), Gold \$1,500, Blue \$500, White \$250, Spirit any amount up to \$250. See attached letter and donor form for more information.** Please contact Amanda Bezner at [amandabezner@gmail.com](mailto:amandabezner@gmail.com) or Kelly Middleton at [kellymiddleton@gmail.com](mailto:kellymiddleton@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**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](mailto:amygcase@gmail.com)

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

## Junior School 2 Weeks at a Glance

Mon – 1/15	Tues – 1/16	Wed – 1/17	Thurs –1/18	Fri – 1/19	Sat – 1/20
<b>No School</b> 	GBB White team vs Geneva School of Boerne (7/8 Away) 4:30pm		BBB vs New Braunfels (home) 5PM  GBB New Braunfels(away) 5PM  Reg. Board Mtg. 7PM  BBB White Team Inter-Squad (AHJS) 7PM	Strings Movie Night -8th gr. (FA Bldg.) 5PM	Science Olympiad -Anthony Invitational Meet -Division B (Houston,Tx)  Area 20 TCEA Robotics (Auditorium, Cafeteria, Both Gyms, Health rm) 7AM-4PM
Mon – 1/22	Tues – 1/23	Wed – 1/24	Thurs –1/25	Fri – 1/26	Sat – 1/27
GBB vs Canyon (Home) 5PM	Band Pizza Party (Cafeteria) 4PM	Tennis Parent Mtg.( Little Theatre) 6PM	Family Night/No Homework  BBB vs Corbett 8gr. away/7gr.home (5PM)  Theatre Production - The Wizard of Oz (Aud) 7PM  BBB White Team vs Corbett (away) 7PM	Theatre Production - The Wizard of Oz (Aud) 7PM	Mule Madness- Academic UIL Meet (AHJS) 6AM-5PM  Theatre Production - The Wizard of Oz (Aud) 7PM

## District/Community News

**Breaking the Silence: Perfectionism and Anxiety** - Join Dr. Madeleine Reichert on Tuesday, January 30th, 7:00 pm, AHJS Auditorium, as she discusses Perfectionism and Anxiety. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at

[http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**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 18<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers). at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**AH Little League** - is currently registering for the Spring 2018 Ball sports. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at

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**BAT BOY** - Be an Alamo Heights Baseball Bat Boy! Let your 3rd - 6th grade player be in the dugout for a Mule Baseball game. For more information contact Barbara Iverson at 210.213.5129 or

[barbarai@ahisd.net](mailto:barbarai@ahisd.net). A copy of the flyer can be found on our website at

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**Be a Bat Girl** at the home softball games. Contact Maggie Welham (head softball coach) at 210-260-9794 or [mwelham@ahisd.net](mailto:mwelham@ahisd.net) if interested.

**Softball Fundamentals Clinic for Ages 7-14** - Thursday, January 25th, 4:30-7:00 pm, at the softball field, given by the Mule Softball Coaching staff and players.

**ADULT ESL REGISTRATION - January 16 - 17, 2018** - Additional space is being offered to new registrants for spring Adult ESL classes to be held at the Junior School Mon & Wed evenings. To enroll, new students **must attend both dates from 6:00-9:00PM**. Childcare will be provided for children of parents attending classes, who are 3 years of age or older, potty trained, and cannot take care of themselves at home alone.

**Cambridge - Advanced Chess Club - Wednesdays** - Advanced Chess Club with Jesse James on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 AM - 8:15 AM. The cost is \$95.00 per student, which includes 15 sessions beginning Wednesday, January 24, 2018 and ending May 16, 2018. The deadline to enroll is Friday, January 19, 2018. Please complete the form to enroll and return to the campus office. Enrollment will be on a first come, first serve basis. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**Cambridge Chess Club - Fridays** - Chess Club with Jesse James on Friday mornings from 7:30 AM - 8:15 AM. The cost is \$95.00 per student, which includes 15 sessions beginning Friday, January 26, 2018 and ending May 25, 2018. The deadline to enroll is Friday, January 19, 2018. Please complete the form to enroll and return to the campus office. Enrollment will be on a first come, first serve basis. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**Woodridge Chess Club - Mondays - Grades 1-2** - Chess Club with Jesse James on Monday mornings from 7:30 AM - 8:15 AM. The cost is \$95.00 per student, which includes 15 sessions beginning Monday, January 22, 2018 and ending May 21, 2018. The deadline to enroll is Friday, January 19, 2018. Please complete the form to enroll and return the campus office. Enrollment will be on a first come, first serve basis. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**Woodridge Chess Club - Wednesdays - Grades 3-5** - Chess Club with Jesse James on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 AM - 8:15 AM. The cost is \$95.00 per student, which includes 15 sessions beginning Wednesday, January 24, 2018 and ending May 16, 2018. The deadline to enroll is Friday, January 19, 2018. Please complete the form to enroll and return the campus office. Enrollment will be on a first come, first serve basis. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**AHJS Chess Club - Thursdays** - Chess Club with Jesse James on Thursday mornings from 7:30 AM - 8:20 AM. The cost is \$95.00 per student, which includes 15 sessions beginning Thursday, January 25, 2018 and ending May 17, 2018. The deadline to enroll is Friday, January 19, 2018. Please complete the form to enroll and return the campus office. Enrollment will be on a first come, first serve basis. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).

**Alamo Heights Band Association** - The AH Band Association will have a Taco Cabana Benefit Night to raise fund for the band on Thursday, January 25th, 5-9 pm at the Taco Cabana located at 1253 Austin Highway. You must mention school benefit night to earn credit.

**Mules Lacrosse Starts** 1<sup>st</sup> Week of February! Both teams (Grades 1-4) (Grades 5-8) will begin practice in early February. There is an Orientation for all Interested New Players in Grades 1-8 at 1pm on January 20 at the AHJS field. For more information and registration go to [www.MulesLax.com](http://www.MulesLax.com), or contact Peter Zacher, [HousewareInsider@gmail.com](mailto:HousewareInsider@gmail.com), 210.396.6614. Please register ASAP if you are a Returning player.

**AH Fort Sam Houston** - Registration is now open for the AHFSH Youth Soccer - Fire Soccer Club. For more information a copy of the flyer can be found on our website at [http://www.ahisd.net/students\\_parents/student\\_flyers](http://www.ahisd.net/students_parents/student_flyers).