School News October 18, 2023

SCHOOL HOLIDAY – There will be no school for students or teachers this Friday, October 20th. Enjoy the day!

McTEACHER NIGHT – AOA teachers will be at both McDonald's locations in Huntsville next Tuesday, October 24th, 5-7 p.m. selling cookies and greeting AOA families. Please come out to visit with your teachers and support your school! AOA PTF will receive 15% of total sales and 100% of cookie sales and tips. (See attached flyer.)

JUSTIN MILLER SCHOLARSHIP FUND – Four years ago this fall, we tragically lost one of our 4th grade AOA students, Justin Miller, in a car accident. To honor Justin's life, his family is sponsering an annual scholarship. Shirts are available for purchase to wear on Spirit Jean Days and hoodies are also available and are approved for everyday wear at school. All proceeds will go to the Justin Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund. Orders will close on Monday, October 23rd. Please continue to pray for their family and friends. https://alpha-omega.itemorder.com/shop/home/ (https://alpha-omega.itemorder.com/shop/home/)

STUFF THE BUS – Interact will collect nonperishable goods October 30th through November 3rd for Open Door Outreach Ministries in Trinity.

TURKEY TROT FUN RUN - PTF is planning a Turkey Trot for Thursday, November 9th. This event is being organized to raise funds for an all-weather covering for the playground and to aid secondary students in their athletic and fine arts opportunities and competitions. Watch your email and school news for the link to sign up and register your student(s) to participate in the Turkey Trot. Fundraising will be all online and can be shared via social media and email to family and friends near and far. There will be prizes for those who meet levels of fundraising, the grade (PreK - 8th) and the house (9th - 12th) that raise the most money. PTF is also working on a fun display once they meet their fundraising goal (Pending approval...and willingness to be pied...).

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM & TAKE A VETERAN TO SCHOOL DAY - We are preparing for our Veterans Day program and *Take a Veteran to School Day* on Friday, November 10th. *Take a Veteran to School Day* is a national program developed by the History Channel to link veterans with students nationwide. Schools and communities invite veterans of all backgrounds to share their stories and receive thanks for their service. Printable invitation and student participation forms are attached. <u>Please RSVP by October 20th, via email or phone, as we need to prepare enough food to serve the veterans.</u> There are also hard copies of the forms and invitations located in the information center outside the front office. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Dana Brenton at library@alphaomegaacademy.org or 936-438-8833.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DROPOFF - Audentia students will be placing collection bins at the school entrances tomorrow for Operation Christmas Child. We will be collecting

donations and packing shoeboxes. You may also place a \$10 bill in a sealed envelope with your name and "OCC" on the outside in the marked donation box. These donations will cover the shipping cost for one shoebox. If you wish to pack your own box, you can drop off the full shoebox with a \$10 shipping donation to Audentia's homeroom (#109) between 7:30-7:55 each morning. You will receive a tracking label for your box. Do not pack candy, food, toothpaste, liquids, war/scary items, liquids, lotion, medicine, vitamins, breakables, flammables, or aerosols. Contact Jeff Norris, Audentia House Dean, inorris@alphaomegaacademy.org with any questions. For additional info, see Mr. Norris's attached email or visit www.samaritanspurse.org/occ. Deadline to drop off is Friday, November 10th.

PTF NOVEMBER RESTAURANT DAY – TomFoolery's will host our November Restaurant Day PTF fundraiser all day on Tuesday, November 14th, 11 a.m.–8 p.m. Plan to enjoy a great meal and some fun games while supporting our school!

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LUNCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Volunteering to serve AOA lunches is a great way for parents and grandparents to connect with children during the school day. As an added bonus, if you serve *TWICE* per semester, your child(ren) will earn *one free dress day per semester*. Don't miss this opportunity to serve your school! Sign-up today! https://signup.com/go/owRhqfO

SPORTS GATE VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED - We are always in need of volunteers to work the entrances to all sporting events. Please consider signing up to work a shift to support our student athletes and enjoy watching our teams play! https://signup.com/go/ZpgHkoO

AOA ONLINE EVENTS CALENDAR – Be sure to check the Google calendar on our website for all school and sports events, school holidays, and more. Then mark your own calendars to come out and support our kids in all their activities. *AOA students are free.* All HS gate tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and non-AOA students. JH gate fees are \$5 adults, \$3 seniors and non-AOA students. Or purchase a Sports Pass for the best deal! https://alphaomegaacademy.org/calendar/

SPORTS PASSES - This year the Athletic Department is offering sports passes to any *regular season* (not including playoffs) JH and HS *home* game. Contact Coach K at skieschnick@alphaomegaacademy.org to purchase a pass. You will be billed through your FACTS account. Prices are listed below.

\$200 All sports/All year Basketball, Softball, Baseball

AOA SPORTS/SPIRIT WEAR – Is available to purchase any time at https://teamstore.gtmsportswear.com/AOA.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 18-19 - High School Retreat

October 19 – 5th grade field trip to HEARTS Veterans Museum / End of 1st quarter

October 20 - HOLIDAY!

October 23 – Board of Trustees Meeting 6 p.m. / Justin Miller Scholarship Fund shirt/hoodie orders close

October 24 – PSAT/SAT / McTeacher Night 5-7 p.m.

October 25 – 4th grade field trip to San Jacinto Monument

October 26 – Grammar Awards 8 a.m.

October 27 - Secondary Awards 8 a.m.

October 30-November 3 - Stuff the Bus!

November 3 – Spirit Jean Day / Senior Cap & Gown pics / 5th Quarter

November $10 - \text{Veterans Day Program & Take A Veteran to School Day / Deadline to drop off for Operation Christmas Child$

November 13 – FFA Meeting

November 14 - PTF Restaurant Day @ TomFoolery's, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. / Art Club meeting 3:30-4:30 p.m.

November 15 – 5th grade field trip to George Bush Library

November 20-24 - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY!

November 27 – Board of Trustees Meeting 6 p.m.