School News November 8, 2023

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! HS games will be added tomorrow so check back! https://signup.com/go/ZpgHkoO

TURKEY TROT – The PTF Turkey Trot will be tomorrow, 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. Please open the attached flyer for more information and to 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. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Dana Brenton at dbrenton@alphaomegaacademy.org or 936-438-8833.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DROPOFF - Audentia students have placed collection bins at the school entrances for Operation Christmas Child. We are collecting donations and packing shoeboxes. You may drop off \$10 in a sealed envelope with your name and "OCC" on the outside to the front office. 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, at inorris@alphaomegaacademy.org with any questions. For additional info, 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!

NEHS INDUCTION CEREMONY – The National English Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be Wednesday, November 15th, at 8 a.m.

KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS FREE DRESS DAY – Friday, December 15th, will be a free dress day for the students whose parents/grandparents have worked at least two days as a lunch volunteer this first semester. Eligible students will be notified by teachers.

PTF'S POWER PANCAKES – Monday, December 18th, PTF is hosting a "Power Pancakes" event for HS students. Pancakes, sausage, and juice. 6-9 p.m. in the Commons. It is the night before final exams begin and will be a great time to study with classmates, get questions answered, and have some power pancakes!

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

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 <u>regular season</u> (not including playoffs) JH and HS <u>home</u> game. Contact Coach K at <u>skieschnick@alphaomegaacademy.org</u> to purchase a pass. You will be billed through your FACTS account. Prices are \$200 for all sports/all year, \$75 for volleyball, basketball, softball, and baseball, and \$50 for football.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 9 – Turkey Trot

November 10 – 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 – NEHS Induction Ceremony 8 a.m. / 5^{th} grade field trip to George Bush Library

November 17 – PK-5th Thanksgiving Chapel

November 20-24 – Thanksgiving Holiday

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

November 28 – Kindergarten field trip to Brookshire Bros., Good Shepherd Mission, & Kate Barr Ross Park

December 1 – Spirit Jean Day

December 4-8 – Book Fair / Candy Gram sales

December 6 – Blood Drive 10 a.-4 p.

December 11 – FFA Meeting 6:30 p.m.

December 14 – 12th grade field trip to Houston Holocaust Museum 8 a.-3 p.

December 15 – Lunch volunteer free dress day

December 18 – PTF's Power Pancakes 6-9 p.m.

December 21 – Pre-K field trip to Chick-Fil-A 10-11:30 a.m. / HS Ugly Sweater Contest

December 22 – Christmas Program 8:15 a.m. / 11 a.m. Dismissal

December 25-January 8 – Christmas Holiday

January 9 – Student Holiday / Staff Development

January 12 – Spirit Jean Day

January 15 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

January 18 – Grammar Awards 8 a.m.

January 19 – Secondary Awards 8 a.m. / Ox Cart Sale

January 22 – FFA Meeting 6:30 p.m.